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Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Concentration (if applicable)_____

Inquiry Curriculum Requirements | A Liberal Arts Curriculum

Basic Skills | Grade of "C" or better required. 12

COLLEGE	COURSE		CR	GR
		WRIT S101 Writing Colloquium	3	
		WRIT S102 Research Writing	3	
		SPCH S110 Basic Speech	3	
		MATH S105 Finite Math or	3	
		MATH S108 Quantitative Reasoning or	3	
		MATH S110 College Algebra	3	

Interdisciplinary Seminars | Must be completed at BenU. 6

COLLEGE	COURSE		CR	GR
BenU	IDS 201	Catholic and Benedictine Intellectual Traditions (WI)	3	
BenU	IDS 301	Human Dignity or The Common Good	3	

Modes of Inquiry (MI) | Scholars Program students please refer to specific checklist for requirements.

COLLEGE	COURSE		CR	GR
		Arts and Humanities		**15**
		Religions/Theological (QRT)		
		Philosophical (QPL)		
		Historical (QHT)		
		Literary/Rhetorical (QLR)		
		Artistic/Creative (QCA)		
		Natural Sciences		**9**
		Life-Scientific (QLS)		
		Physical-Scientific (QPS)		
		Computational, Math and Analytical (QCM)		
		Social Sciences I and II		**6**
Satisfied by Major		Individuals/Organizations/Societies (QIO)	—	—
Satisfied by Major		Political/Global/Economic Systems (QPE)	—	—

Cocurricular | Requirements may be met through MI or major courses.

Course or Experience			
		☐	Global Designation (G)
		☐	Sustainability (S)
BenU	IDS 201	☒	Writing Intensive (WI)
BenU	PLSC 399	☒	Writing Intensive (WI)
		☐	Writing Intensive (WI)

Notes | All Undergraduate Degree Programs

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT: Students must submit a total of 120 semester credit hours (with a minimum GPA of 2.0 from Benedictine University courses) of which 45 semester credit hours, including 12 semester credit hours at the 200 level or above in the major field, must be from Benedictine University.

INQUIRY CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS: Remaining MI courses must be chosen from classes labeled with appropriate designation in catalog or course schedule. Some MI requirements are satisfied by major requirements. Substitutions are not allowed after entry.

Graduation Requirement | Min. Semester Credit Hours 120

Major Requirements | Grade of "C" or better required. 45

COLLEGE	COURSE			CR	GR
		PLSC 102	American Government	3	
		PLSC 105 PLSC 205	Law and Politics or Judicial Process	3	
		PLSC 201	State & Local Government	3	
		PLSC 210	Intro International Relations	3	
		PLSC 299	Research Methods & Stats ①	3	
		PLSC 399	Thesis Research & Writing (WI)	3	
		PLSC	Elective 200 Level	3	
		PLSC	Elective 200 Level	3	
		PLSC	Elective 200 Level	3	
		PLSC	Elective 300 Level	3	
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		SOCL 100	Principles of Sociology	3	
		ECON 101	Macroeconomics	3	
		PSYC 100	Survey of Psychology	3	

Major Specific Notes | Political Science

Strongly Recommended: HIST 111 American History to 1865, HIST 112 American History Since 1865, MDLG 202 Intermediate Modern Lang II, HIST 223 Constitutional History of England. In addition, it is encouraged for students to take advantage of the Center for Civic Leadership (CCL), created by Distinguished Fellow Jim Ryan and the Department of Political Science. The CCL offers a variety of learning opportunities, scholarships, speakers and an annual Civic Leadership Conference with the goal of preparing students to become active, responsible citizens and leaders in their communities.

All majors must submit at least 36 semester credit hours within the department, with 12 semester credit hours being at the 300 level, and 9 semester credit hours of cognates (all with a grade of "C" or better). Global Affairs (PLSC 101) will not count towards a Political Science major or minor requirement.

Credit will not be granted for both PLSC 105 and PLSC 205.

① Senior standing and additional prerequisites are required for enrollment in PLSC 299.

② Course Repeat Policy for majors and minors in Political Science: A student who has received an unsatisfactory grade (below a "C") in a course that satisfies requirements within the major or minor may repeat that course one time only. The course must be completed satisfactorily at Benedictine University. After three attempts (defined as enrollment beyond the add/drop date), a student will be denied further enrollment in a course within the major.

PLSC 215 and PLSC 237, while repeatable for credit, may only be counted once toward satisfying requirements for the major or minor.

A maximum of 6 semester credit hours of internship credit may be applied to the major.

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Graduation Requirement | Min. Semester Credit Hours **120**

Summary of Evaluation

* Please consult with your department advisor regarding further evaluation of major credits and remaining major requirements.

	Hours Completed	Hours Remaining
Basic Skills		
Interdisciplinary Seminars		
Arts and Humanities Modes of Inquiry		
Natural Sciences Modes of Inquiry		
Social Sciences Modes of Inquiry		
Major	*	*
Electives	*	*
TOTAL		*

Summary of Transferable Credit

The following semester credit hours will be posted to your transcript.

Notes

Highest level of math completed (if applicable).

Minor

Minors are optional, but recommended. Please see the Benedictine University Undergraduate Catalog and the department for specific requirements. List courses taken toward earning a minor.

General Electives

General Elective courses may be necessary to meet graduation requirement of 120 semester credit hours. Students may list completed courses below.

Residency Requirements

Please note the checked boxes that apply to you:

- ☒ A minimum total of 120 semester credit hours are required for graduation (with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 from Benedictine University).
- ☒ 55 semester credit hours at the baccalaureate level must be completed at a four-year regionally accredited college/university.
- ☒ At least 12 semester credit hours at the 200 level or above in the major field must be from Benedictine University.
- ☐ 45 semester credit hours must be completed at Benedictine University.
- ☐ At least 30 of your final 45 semester credit hours must be completed at Benedictine University.
- ☐ At least the last 30 semester credit hours of your undergraduate degree must be completed without interruption at Benedictine University as a degree-seeking student.

Special Notes

1. This checklist is applicable for the major indicated. If a different major is chosen, the requirements for the major, modes and semester credit hours remaining will vary.
2. This checklist is for advising purposes. Students must follow the requirements for graduation as outlined in the University Undergraduate Catalog at their term of entry.
3. Semester credit hours in progress are not included in the totals of this evaluation. Additional semester credit hours will be credited upon receipt of credentials.
4. Courses must have a grade of “C” or better to be accepted in the Basic Skills and the major or minor area. A grade of “D” or better is required in all other areas, except where program requirements specify otherwise.
5. Duplicate semester credit hours will not be given for repeated courses.
6. Courses taken at Benedictine University may be repeated only at Benedictine University. Please see the catalog for the Course Repeat Policy.
7. Only courses taken at Benedictine University will be included in your GPA.
8. An Approval of Transfer Courses form must be completed for current Benedictine students to transfer courses from other schools. Please see your advisor.

Date: Signature: