

Name _____ UVA Email _____ Date _____

STEP ONE: PREREQUISITES TO DECLARE THE MAJOR

- Completed TWO PL** courses at UVA**
- PL _____ Term _____ Grade (C or above) _____
- PL _____ Term _____ Grade (C or above) _____
- GPA in all Politics courses** (at least 2.50) _____

STEP TWO: CHOICE OF MAJOR
Foreign Affairs

(concentration in Foreign Affairs)

Government

 (concentration in American Politics
or Political Theory)

STEP THREE: MY COURSE PLAN
Distribution—one course from each subfield (12 credits)

PLAP _____ Term _____

PLCP _____ Term _____

PLIR _____ Term _____

PLPT _____ Term _____

Concentration (9 credits)

- American Politics** (3 PLAP courses)
- Political Theory** (3 PLPT courses)
- Foreign Affairs** (3 PLCP & PLIR courses)

 PL _____ Term _____ *Distribution*

 PL _____ Term _____ *courses do*

 PL _____ Term _____ *not count*
here
Politics Electives (9 credits)
*transfer/
study abroad*

 PL _____ Term _____

 PL _____ Term _____

 PL _____ Term _____
Related Courses (12 credits)
*transfer/
study abroad*

 _____ Term _____

 _____ Term _____

 _____ Term _____

 _____ Term _____
Politics Courses Level Requirements

 1000: up to 3 classes ×

 3000+: at least 5 classes +

 4000+: at least 1 class +

Related Courses Level Requirements

 3000+: at least 2 classes +

Elective and Related may each count

- **Transfer &/or semester** abroad: 2 courses
- **Full year** study abroad: 3 courses

Related Courses Mnemonics

AAS	GSSJ	HIST	PSYC	(Others with
AMST	GSVS	HIUS	RE**	DUP approval)
ANTH	HIAF	MDST	SOC	
EAST	HIEA	MESA	WGS	
ECON	HIEU	MEST		
ETP	HILA	PHIL	COMM (3410/3420 only)	
GDS	HIME	LPPA	LPPP (except 3001/3559)	
GSGS	HISA	LPPS		

PREREQUISITES TO DECLARING A FOREIGN AFFAIRS OR GOVERNMENT MAJOR

1. Complete two UVa Politics courses
 - PLAD, PLAP, PLCP, PLIR, PLPT
 - grade of C or better in each
2. Politics GPA of at least 2.5

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HOW TO DECLARE A FOREIGN AFFAIRS OR GOVERNMENT MAJOR

1. Choose one of our two majors:
 - Foreign Affairs (concentrate in IR & CP)
 - Government (concentrate in AP or in PT)
2. Complete this form
 - This is just a plan to be sure you understand the requirements
 - We know it will change depending on your interest and course offerings
 - Pay attention to subfield and level requirements
 - AP & dual-enrollment do **not** count for the major
 - See Politics course listings on [Hoo' s List](#) or [SIS](#)
3. Rename form as **LASTNAME_PoliticsMajorWorksheet.pdf**
4. E-mail form to Ms. Marsh (smm4g@virginia.edu)
5. Wait for email confirmation from Ms. Marsh
6. Complete the College [major declaration form](#)
 - Include only PLxx courses (not related courses)
7. Submit DocuSign electronically
8. Congratulations!

POLITICS MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Distribution	One course in each of the four subfields, American Politics (PLAP), Comparative Politics (PLCP), International Relations (PLIR), and Political Theory (PLPT).
Concentration	Three additional courses. For Foreign Affairs majors, these may be a mix of Comparative Politics (PLCP) and International Relations (PLIR). For Government majors, you must choose American Politics (PLAP) or Political Theory (PLPT).
Politics Electives	Three additional courses PL courses (PLAD, PLAP, PLCP, PLIR, or PLPT). You may include study abroad and/or transfer credit here (2 transfer or semester abroad; 3 year abroad).
Related Courses	Four courses from closely-related areas of study outside the Politics department. You may include study abroad and/or transfer credit here (2 transfer or semester abroad; 3 year abroad).

AP and dual-enrollment credits **do not count** toward the major.

Minimum grade to count toward the major: C