

POLITICAL SCIENCE ADVISING CALENDAR: A GUIDE FOR MAJORS

FIRST & SECOND SEMESTERS

1. Meet with the Freshmen Advisor (Department Head) once each semester.
2. Attend the Freshmen Advising Meeting in the Spring.
3. Use the Program of Study on MyUniverse to plot out your course schedule for the remaining semesters.
4. Join the Political Science Society and/or the Daniel Webster Law Society to meet other majors!
5. Concentrate your efforts on completing the Liberal Arts Core requirements.
6. Take Introduction to American Politics (942:014) your first semester and International Relations (943:024) your second semester.
7. Declare your major in Political Science in your second semester.

THIRD & FOURTH SEMESTERS

1. Meet with your new advisor at least once each semester.
2. Begin exploring career options. Consult the department's "Careers in Political Science", talk to your advisor, schedule an appointment with the Career Services Office, or begin to research graduate and law school requirements.
3. Explore possible minors. For those interested in law school, look into the Law and Politics Minor. For those with an international focus, consider the International Affairs Minor.
4. Complete your Liberal Arts Core requirements (except Capstone).
5. Take Scope and Methods of Political Science (940:010), Comparative Politics (944:040) and if your schedule permits, a course in Political Theory.

FIFTH AND SIXTH SEMESTERS

1. Meet with your advisor each semester.
2. Explore internship and study abroad opportunities for the upcoming summer break and/or final year.
3. Prepare for graduate or law school exams (GRE & LSAT).
4. Complete upper-level course requirements in American Politics, Political Theory, International Relations and Comparative Politics.
5. Take university electives, political science electives and course requirements for minor.

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH SEMESTERS

1. Meet with your advisor each semester.
2. Complete university electives, capstone requirement, political science electives and course requirements for minor.
3. For those entering the job market, meet with the Career Services Office and attend their job fair. Research opportunities on the web. For those entering graduate or law school, meet with advisors to help select schools and prepare applications in the Fall semester.