

TRANSFER GUIDE

College of Lake County to UW-Parkside | Political Science

TRANSFER POLICIES

Credits earned at UW-Parkside or at any other institution that are more than 10 years old cannot be used to complete any major, minor or concentration offered by this department

Students transferring from non-baccalaureate institutions to Parkside may generally transfer up to 72 credits earned at non-baccalaureate institutions toward the 120 credits required for degree completion. UW-Parkside may accept additional credits toward the degree where appropriate. A minimum of 15 credits numbered 300 or above must be completed at Parkside.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

This department offers the two major options: the traditional major in political science and the major in political science with a concentration in law. Students need to complete the requirements for one of these options. For example, a student choosing to major in political science with a concentration in law needs to meet the requirements listed under the concentration in law. The major in political science consists of a minimum of 34 credits. Students must complete a minimum of 15 credits at UW-Parkside in their major in courses numbered 300 or above in addition to POLS 445 Senior Seminar in Political Science. A student must be in good academic standing at the time of declaring the major. At least two courses in political science in courses numbered 100 through 105 with a grade of C or better in each course. (C-minus does not count.)

The following requirements are in addition to the university general education requirements. Please use this guide in tandem with the Degree Requirements Transfer Guide

POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR | 34 credits

Introductory Courses | 9 credits

Choose 3 courses:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
PSC 121	American Politics	POLS 100
PSC 221	Introduction to comparative Politics	POLS 103
PSC 222	Introduction to Politics	POLS 105
-	Introduction to International Relations	POLS 104
-	Public Policy	POLS 202

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Required Research Course | 4 credits

This course is required even if another research methods course has been taken.

Research Methods and Sources is only available at Parkside (POLS 200)

ADVANCED COURSES | 9 credits

Choose 3 courses (one course from three different groups):

American Politics:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
-	Introduction to Law	POLS 116
-	Executive and Legislative Politics	POLS 214
-	Political Parties and Interest Groups	POLS 360
-	Elections and Political Participation	POLS 375
-	Voting Behavior and Political Participation	POLS 395

World Politics:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
-	American Foreign Policy	POLS 224
-	Theories of International Relations	POLS 304
-	European Politics	POLS 330
-	The Politics of Developing Nations	POLS 331
-	Socialist Thought and Practice	POLS 332
-	Resistance	POLS 334
-	Popular Music, Human Rights, and Democratization	POLS 335
-	The Latin American Left	POLS 340
-	International Conflict and Cooperation	POLS 341
-	International Law	POLS 415

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Political Theory:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
-	Classical Political Philosophy	POLS 207
-	Science Fiction and Politics	POLS 303
-	Theories of International Relations	POLS 304
-	Modern Political Philosophy	POLS 306
-	Contemporary Political Thought	POLS 307
-	Socialist Thought and Practice	POLS 332
-	Resistance	POLS 335

Public Policy:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
-	Tactical Decision Making	POLS 217
-	Environmental Policy	POLS 302
-	Introduction to Global Warming Policy and Governance	POLS 312
-	Diversity Law: African Americans	POLS 316
-	Strategic Decision Making	POLS 317

Note: Students may count POLS 304, 332 and 334 for world politics or political theory, not for both.

ADDITIONAL UPPER LEVEL COURSES | 9 credits

Choose at least three additional courses numbered 300 or above:

The political science internship (POLS 494) and independent study (POLS 490) are recommended options but are not required.

No more than 6 credits of internship and 3 credits of independent study can be counted toward meeting the credit-hour requirements for the major.

Independent study credits do not count toward meeting the 15 upper level credit-hour requirement for the major.

Only 3 credits of internship credit can be used to meet the 15 upper level credit-hour requirement for the major.

Required Senior Seminar | 3 credits

Senior Seminar in Political Science is only available at Parkside (POLS 445)

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POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR (CONCENTRATION IN LAW) | 33-34 credits

This department offers a concentration in law for political science majors interested in pursuing a career in law or legal studies (practicing law, teaching law, court administration, and government agencies). The concentration in law brings together the most significant perspectives and tools required for a thorough preparation in law and legal studies, grounded in democratic theory and practice.

Students must complete a minimum of 15 credits at UW- Parkside in their major in courses numbered 300 or above. This concentration requires a minimum of 33 credits. These credits are distributed as follows:

Required Courses | 21-22 credits

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
PSC 121	American Politics	POLS 100
-	Research Methods and Sources	POLS 200
-	Techniques of Philosophical Research	PHIL 275
-	Introduction to Law	POLS 116
-	Public Policy	POLS 202
-	Constitutional Law: Civil Liberties	POLS 310
-	Constitutional Law: Structure and Power	POLS 320
-	Senior Seminar in Political Science	POLS 445

or

Introductory Courses | 3 credits

Choose one courses:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
PSC 221	Introduction to Comparative Politics	POLS 103
PSC 222	Introduction to Politics	POLS 105
-	Introduction to International Relations	POLS 104

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Upper Level Electives | 9 credits

Choose 3 courses (minimum of one POLS):

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
-	Business Law	BUS 372
-	Practicum in Conflict Intervention	COMM 485
-	Restorative Justice	CRMJ 325
-	Capital Punishment	CRMJ 364
CRJ 210 or CRJ 221	Criminal Law	CRMJ 380
-	Legal Issues in Sport and Fitness Management	HESM 300
-	Sports Industry Regulation	HESM 310
-	Environmental Policy	POLS 302
-	Introduction to Global Warming Policy and Governance	POLS 312
-	Diversity Law: African Americans	POLS 316
-	Internship**	POLS 494
-	International Law	POLS 415
-	Law and Society	SOCA 359

**A maximum of 3 credits of internship can be applied to the 9 credits required in this category.

Note: Courses in other departments may have course or departmental prerequisites.

It is strongly recommended that students take the following course:

CLC COURSE	PARKSIDE NAME	PARKSIDE COURSE
PHI 122	Logic	PHIL 201

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