

<b>Major/Program</b>	Political Science
<b>College</b>	Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences
<b>Department</b>	Government, Criminology, and Sociology
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## Lander University 4-Year Major Guide

	First Semester			Second Semester			TOTALS
	Course	Notes	Hours	Course	Notes	Hours	
First Year	*ENGL 101	Core Academic Skills (General Education)	3	*ENGL 102	Core Academic Skills (General Education)	3	
	General Education	Behavioral and Social Perspectives	3	HIST 111R or HIST 112R	Founding Documents Scientific and Mathematical Reasoning (General Education)	3	
	General Education	Humanities and Fine Arts	3	Laboratory Science	Core Academic Skills (General Education)	4	
	INFO 101 or Elective	100-level or above	1	MATH 211		3	
	*POLS 101 or *POLS 101R		3	*POLS 103		3	
	LINK 101	General Education	1				
	Subtotal		14	Subtotal		16	
Second Year	First Semester			Second Semester			Yearly Totals
	Course	Notes	Hours	Course	Notes	Hours	
	Elective		3	Elective		3	30
	Elective		3	Elective		3	
	General Education	Behavioral and Social Perspectives	3	Elective		3	
	General Education	Humanities and Fine Arts	3	General Education	Scientific and Mathematical Reasoning	3	
	POLS 200		3	POLS Requirement	American Politics - see list below	3	
	Subtotal		15	Subtotal		15	
Third Year	First Semester			Second Semester			Yearly Totals
	Course	Notes	Hours	Course	Notes	Hours	
	Elective		3	Elective		3	30
	Elective	300-level or above	3	Elective		3	
	General Education	World Cultures	3	Elective	300-level or above	3	
	POLS 318		3	POLS Requirement	American Politics - see list below	3	
	POLS 386		3	POLS Requirement	International Relations and Comparative Politics - see list below	3	
	Subtotal		15	Subtotal		15	
Fourth Year	First Semester			Second Semester			Yearly Totals
	Course	Notes	Hours	Course	Notes	Hours	
	Elective		3	Elective		3	30
	Elective	300-level or above	3	Elective		3	
	Elective	300-level or above	3	Elective	300-level or above	3	
	POLS 499		3	Elective	300-level or above	3	
	POLS Requirement	American Politics - see list below	3	POLS Requirement	International Relations and Comparative Politics - see list below	3	
	Subtotal		15	Subtotal		15	

\* Students must earn "C" or better

**Total Hours Required: 120**

### Major Program Additional Requirements

**American Politics (choose 9 credit hours from the following):**

POLS 217, POLS 271, POLS 302, POLS 307, POLS 308, POLS 311, POLS 312, POLS 313, POLS 350, POLS 360, POLS 379, POLS 391, SOSC 490

**International Relations and Comparative Politics (choose 6 credit hours from the following):**

POLS 250, POLS 260, POLS 303, POLS 305, POLS 325, POLS 331, POLS 361, POLS 366, POLS 390, POLS 445, SOSC 490