Political Science (BA) with an Emphasis in Public Law

This program is offered by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences/History, Politics and International Relations Department and is only available at the St. Louis main campus.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Put contemporary political issues in historical context and use historical facts to build arguments about politics.
- Demonstrate familiarity with the political institutions and processes of the United States.
- Understand and evaluate the international and transnational dimensions of particular problems and policies.
- Demonstrate familiarity with several methods and analytical approaches used by political scientists to examine political institutions and processes.
- Demonstrate familiarity with the structures and processes of the judicial branch of both state and U.S. governments.
- Analyze and evaluate the role of the judiciary as a political actor.

Degree Requirements

For information on the general requirements for a degree, see Baccalaureate Degree Requirements under the Academic Policies and Information section of this catalog.

- 36 required credit hours in the Department of History, Politics and International Relations
- 27 of the required 36 credit hours must be in political science, including INTL 1500, POLT 1060 and POLT 2600, a research requirement (completed by placing on file with the department a substantial research paper from an upper-level course or a senior thesis) and senior overview.
- · 3 international language requirement credit hours
- · Applicable University Global Citizenship Program hours
- Electives

Courses completed with a grade of D+ or below do not count toward fulfilling the specific course requirements of the major.

Students must take a minimum of 6 credit hours of HIST and 12 credit hours of specific law classes which include POLT 2400, INTL 2030, POLT 3010 and POLT 3020.

At least 18 of the 36 credit hours must be taken at Webster University.

International Language Requirement

- A minimum of 3 credit hours in a foreign language is required. Courses used toward the international language requirement may also be used to fulfill global citizenship requirements or a major/minor in a foreign language.
- Transfer students who have completed their 3 credit hours