ACADEMIC ROADMAP

Political Science – Public Legal Studies Concentration, BA Spring 2025

Freshman Year (30 credits)

FIRST SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
College Writing I	CWP 101	CWP 099 or SAT Score over 400
		or ACT Score 17 or higher
Intro to Government & Politics	PSC 101	
Intro Logic or Math Logic	PHI 103 or 107	

SECOND SEMESTER

Course Title	.Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
College Writing II	CWP 102	CWP 101
Intro US Gov't & Pol	PSC 102	
Professional Ethics	PHI 112	

Notes and recommendations:

Attend at least one faculty office hour; visit Academic Commons (Math & Writing Centers, tutoring); view your degree audit sheet in Degree Works. Consider joining Moot Court or Mock Trial.

Sophomore Year (60 credits)

THIRD SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	.Prerequisite(s)
Political Analysis	PSC 203	PSC 101 or PSC 102
Judicial Process or Intro Law	PSC 221 or 250	

FOURTH SEMESTER

Course Title	.Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Political Statistics	PSC 204	PSC 101 or PSC 102 & PSC 203
PSC Dst (Am/Comp & IR/Thry)	Varies	Varies

Notes and recommendations:

Form a study group; consider enrolling in a minor or certificate program; see Career Development Center for help with cover-letter, resume, and personal statement. Take LSAT prep course at UB Law School in Spring of JR year.

Junior Year (90 credits)

FIFTH SEMESTER

.Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Con Law or Civ Liberties	PSC 317 or 320	Varies
PSC Dst (Am/Comp & IR/Thry)	Varies	Varies

SIXTH SEMESTER

Course Title	.Catalog Number	.Prerequisite(s)
PSC Dst (Am/Comp & IR/Thry)	Varies	Varies

Notes and recommendations:

Take LSAT exam after UB LSAT prep course. Take July/Aug; Upload personal statement, letters of recommendation to LSAC; Get law school applications completed fall. If interested in internship as capstone course, speak with GPP department's internship coordinator or director of International Relations major; talk to your faculty advisor about graduate school options

Senior Year (120 credits)

SEVENTH SEMESTER

Course Title	.Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Research Skills	PSC 399	PSC 203 & PSC 204

EIGTH SEMESTER

.Course Title	.Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
SR Seminar or Internship	PSC 470 or 488	PSC 203 & PSC 204 & PSC 399;
		& Permission of the Internship
		Coordinator (if enrolling in
		PSC488)

Notes and recommendations:

Apply for graduation; visit the Career Development Center to have your resume reviewed