

SUNY Potsdam 3 Year Degree Option; Sample Three-Year Plan for Completion of B.A. in Politics

Note: This list of courses provides an example of how a student might complete the degree in three years. Different students will take the required courses in slightly different orders, as each of them decides in consultation with their adviser, and in accordance with when different courses are actually offered. Also: no more than two courses (8 credits) from any one department or area can be used to meet the modes component of the General Education Program, and students should work with their advisers to choose courses accordingly.

First Year, 41-42 Credits:

First Fall Semester	Credits	First Spring Semester	Credits
Intro to U.S. Politics (SA)	4	Intro to Comparative Politics (XC)	4
Statistics (FM)	4	SB, perhaps with LB	3-4*
Writing & Critical Thinking (FW)	4	AC	3
FC	3	FS	3-4*
Elective or Gen Ed Requirement	<u>3</u>	AH	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	18	TOTAL	16-18

*At least one of the courses marked with the asterisk needs to be 4 credits

First Summer Course	Credits	Second Summer Course	Credits
ML or other Gen. Ed requirement	3	ML or other Gen. Ed requirement	3

Second Year, 42-44 Credits, 16 of which are UD (upper division):

Second Fall Semester	Credits	Second Spring Semester	Credits
Political Ideas (PI)	4	Approaching Political Puzzles	4
Intro to International Relations	4	Upper Division Politics Elective	4 UD
AE (not in same department as AC)	3-4	Upper Division Elective	3 UD
Upper Division Elective	3 UD	Upper Division Elective	3 UD
Upper Division Elective	3 UD	SB, with LB if necessary	3-4
PE/HW Requirement	<u>1</u>	PE/HW Requirement	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	18-19	TOTAL	18-19

First Summer Course	Credits	Second Summer Course	Credits
ML or other Gen. Ed requirement	3	Elective of Interest	3

Third Year, 39 Credits, 30 of which are UD:

Third Fall Semester	Credits	Third Spring Semester	Credits
Senior Seminar (WI)	4 UD	Upper Division Politics Elective	4 UD
Upper Division Politics Elective	4 UD	Upper Division Elective that is WC	3 UD
Upper Division Elective that is SI	3 UD	Upper Division Elective	3 UD
Upper Division Elective	3 UD	Upper Division Elective	3 UD
Any Course of Interest	<u>3</u>	Upper Division Elective	<u>3 UD</u>
TOTAL	17	TOTAL	16

First Summer Course	Credits	Second Summer Course	Credits
Elective of Interest	3	Elective of Interest	3

Grand Total 122-125, 46 of which are UD

Notes:

- Each of the two required PE/HW courses can be taken in any semester.