POLITICAL SCIENCE:
RESEARCH DESIGN AND
ANALYSIS TRACK-B.A.

Specific Requirements for Admission to the Political Science Major

- PLS 121 American Government And Politics or PLS 215 Comparative Political Systems are normally prerequisites for other political science courses for a department major.

Political Science: Research Design and Analysis Track Requirements: 40 Credits

- The track in Research Design and Analysis (RDA) is designed to prepare students to meet the burgeoning demand for hard analytical skills in business, government, and the non-profit sector.

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**Required PLS Major Courses**

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<td>PLS 530</td>
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**Research Design and Analysis Track Courses**

Select 12 credits from the following:

- PLS 463 Game Theory And Social Choice
- PLS 490 Advanced Research Practicum
- PLS 510 The New Institutionalism
- RDA 520 Math Fundamentals for the Social Sciences
- RDA 525 Computer Applications
- RDA 535 Games and Models
- SOC 570 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems

Select 12 credits in Political Science at the 200 level or above.

An internship with an agency, business, or non-profit where the student will employ his/her data analysis skills is strongly encouraged:

- PLS 483 Public Affairs Internship

**Total Credits**

40

__Note__

This course is offered only in the fall semester, and may not be taken on an independent study or transfer basis.