The combined major in political science and philosophy enables students to develop an integrated understanding of politics, political theory, ethical theory, and theories of justice. Students who complete the major will have the training to critically evaluate and assess public policies and social issues on both political and ethical grounds, including issues such as tax policy, immigration, environmental protection, trade policy, healthcare, education, defense policy, and much more.

**Program Requirements**
Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

**University-Wide Requirements**
All undergraduate students are required to complete the University-Wide Requirements (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements).

**NUpath Requirements**
All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath).

**Experiential Liberal Arts**
All undergraduate students in the College of Social Sciences and Humanities are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela).

**Political Science Requirements**

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**Political Thought/Theory**

Complete two of the following:

- POLS 2325 Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought
- POLS 2328 Modern Political Thought
- POLS 2330 American Political Thought
- POLS 2332 Contemporary Political Thought

**Political Science Upper-Division Electives**

Complete two courses in the following range:

- POLS 3000 to POLS 5999

**Political Science Electives**

Complete two courses in the following range:

- POLS 2000 to POLS 5999

**Political Science Concentrations (Optional)**
If you are working toward one of the following concentrations, declare it with your advisor so that it may be added to your record. Requirements for the concentrations are listed below (p. 1).

- Campaigns and Elections (p. 1)
- Identity, Culture, and Politics (p. 2)
- International Relations and Diplomacy (p. 2)
- Law and Legal Studies (p. 2)
- Public Policy (p. 2)

**Philosophy Requirements**

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**Philosophy Restricted Electives**

Complete two courses from the following with one course at the 4000 or 5000 level:

- PHIL 3343 Existentialism
- PHIL 3435 Moral Philosophy
- PHIL 3460 Philosophy and Literature
- PHIL 4390 Cults and Sects
- PHIL 4500 Theory of Knowledge
- PHIL 4510 Philosophy of Science
- PHIL 4515 Advanced Logic
- PHIL 4535 Philosophy of Mind
- PHIL 4547 Seminar: Apocalypticism
- PHIL 4550 Philosophy of Economics
- PHIL 4606 Seminar: Theories and Methods in Religious Studies
- PHIL 4903 Seminar in Religion
- PHIL 4906 Topics in Religious Studies
- PHIL 5001 Global Justice
- PHIL 5011 Comparative Religious Ethics

**Additional Electives**
Complete four additional electives in philosophy or religion.

**Integrative Requirement**

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**Program Requirement**

128 semester hours required
### Concentrations

**Concentration in Campaigns and Elections**

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**Campaigns and Elections Electives**

If POLS 4947 was replaced by a co-op or internship, an additional elective must be taken.

Complete two of the following:

- POLS 2345: Urban Policies and Politics
- POLS 2355
- POLS 3310: Public Opinion, Voting, and Elections
- POLS 3162: Local Campaigns and Elections
- POLS 3320: Politics and Mass Media
- POLS 3402
- POLS 3304

**Concentration in Identity, Culture, and Politics**

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**Electives**

Complete three of the following:

- POLS 2360: Politics of Poverty
- POLS 2368: Music and Politics in America and Abroad
- POLS 2370: Religion and Politics
- POLS 3309: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues in Public Policy
- POLS 3324: Law and Society

**Concentration in International Relations and Diplomacy**

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**Experiential/Practicum Requirement**

Complete one of the following:

- POLS 4910: Model United Nations
- POLS 4915: Model Arab League
- POLS 4918: Model NATO
- POLS 4938: Dialogue of Civilizations: International Politics Abroad

**Core Courses**

Complete three of the following:

- POLS 3405: International Political Economy
- POLS 3406: International Law
- POLS 3407: International Organizations
- POLS 3408: International Security
- POLS 3435: Politics and Governance of Europe and the European Union
- POLS 3470: Arab-Israeli Conflict

**Concentration in Law and Legal Studies**

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**Concentration in Public Policy**

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**Electives**

Complete three of the following:

- POLS 2334: Bureaucracy and Government Organizations
- POLS 2335: Budgeting and Taxation
- POLS 2340: Business and Government
- POLS 2345: Urban Policies and Politics
- POLS 2350: State and Local Politics
- POLS 2357: Growth and Decline of Cities and Suburbs
- POLS 2390: Science, Technology, and Public Policy
- POLS 2395: Environmental Politics and Policy
- POLS 3425: U.S. Foreign Policy