

# English and Political Science, BA

The Department of English and the Department of Political Science offer an interdisciplinary combined major in English and political science. Students in the combined major in English and political science integrate the study of literature and writing with the study of political issues and problems.

## 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.

## Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

## BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA language requirements (<http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>).

## NUpath Requirements

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

## English Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Foundational Courses</b>		
ENGL 1000	English at Northeastern	1
ENGL 1400	Introduction to Literary Studies	4
ENGL 1160 or ENGL 1410	Introduction to Rhetoric Introduction to Research on Writing	4
ENGL 1700 or ENGL 1701	Global Literatures 1 Global Literatures 2	4

## English Electives

Two of the courses chosen from the lists below must be at the 3000 or 4000 level.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Diversity</b>		
Complete one course from the following. You may reuse this course to fulfill an additional English requirement below.		4
ENGL 2150	Literature and Digital Diversity	
ENGL 2296	Early African-American Literature	
ENGL 2450	Postcolonial Literature	
ENGL 2455	American Women Writers	
ENGL 2470	Asian-American Literature	
ENGL 2760	Writing in Global Contexts	
ENGL 3663	The African American Novel	
ENGL 3678	Bedrooms and Battlefields: Hebrew Bible and the Origins of Sex, Gender, and Ethnicity	
ENGL 3685	Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature	
<b>Literary Periods</b>		
<i>Pre-19th Century Literature</i>		
Complete one course from the following:		4
ENGL 1600	Introduction to Shakespeare	
ENGL 2296	Early African-American Literature	
ENGL 3101	Early Literatures	
ENGL 3120	17th- and 18th-Century Literatures	
ENGL 3618	Milton	

ENGL 3678	Bedrooms and Battlefields: Hebrew Bible and the Origins of Sex, Gender, and Ethnicity	
or JWSS 3678	Bedrooms and Battlefields: Hebrew Bible and the Origins of Sex, Gender, and Ethnicity	
<i>19th/20th/21st Century Literature</i>		
Complete one of the following courses:		4
<i>19th Century</i>		
ENGL 2330	The American Renaissance	
ENGL 3140	19th-Century Literatures	
ENGL 3619	Emerson and Thoreau	
ENGL 3720	19th-Century Major Figure	
<i>20th/21st Century</i>		
ENGL 2301	The Graphic Novel	
ENGL 2440	The Modern Bestseller	
ENGL 2600	Irish Literary Culture (Abroad)	
ENGL 3161	20th- and 21st-Century Literatures	
ENGL 3685	Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature	
or JWSS 3685	Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature	
ENGL 3730	20th- and 21st-Century Major Figure	
<b>Theories and Methods</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
ENGL 1140	Grammar: The Architecture of English	
ENGL 1160	Introduction to Rhetoric	
ENGL 1410	Introduction to Research on Writing	
ENGL 2150	Literature and Digital Diversity	
ENGL 3325	Rhetoric of Law	
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing	
ENGL 3400	Opening the Archive	
ENGL 3700	Narrative Medicine	
LING 1150	Introduction to Language and Linguistics	
LING 2350	Linguistic Analysis	
LING 3450	Syntax	
LING 3452	Semantics	
LING 3454	History of English	
LING 3456	Language and Gender	
LING 3458	Topics in Linguistics	
<b>Comparative Course</b>		
Complete one of the following courses:		4
ENGL 1450	Reading and Writing in the Digital Age	
ENGL 1500	British Literature to 1800	
ENGL 1502	American Literature to 1865	
ENGL 2150	Literature and Digital Diversity	
ENGL 2420	Contemporary Poetry	
ENGL 2430	Contemporary Fiction	
ENGL 2455	American Women Writers	
ENGL 2470	Asian-American Literature	
ENGL 2510	Horror Fiction	
ENGL 2520	Science Fiction	
ENGL 2600	Irish Literary Culture (Abroad)	
ENGL 2620	What Is Nature?	
ENGL 2690	Boston in Literature	
ENGL 3487	Film and Text (Abroad)	
ENGL 3663	The African American Novel	

**Writing**

Complete one of the following: 4

ENGL 2700	Creative Writing
ENGL 2710	Style and Editing
ENGL 2730	Digital Writing
ENGL 2740	Writing and Community Engagement
ENGL 2760	Writing in Global Contexts
ENGL 2770	Writing to Heal
ENGL 2850	Writing for Social Media: Theory and Practice
ENGL 3375	Writing Boston
ENGL 3376	Creative Nonfiction
ENGL 3377	Poetry Workshop
ENGL 3378	Fiction Workshop
ENGL 3380	Writing Seminar
ENGL 3382	Publishing in the 21st Century
ENGL 3384	The Writer's Marketplace

**English Electives**

Complete any two ENGL courses that have not already been used to fulfill another requirement. 8

**Political Science Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Foundational Courses</b>		
POLS 1150	American Government	4
POLS 1155	Comparative Politics	4
POLS 1160	International Relations	4
POLS 2399	Research Methods in Political Science	4
POLS 2400	Quantitative Techniques	4
<b>Political Thought</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
POLS 2325	Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought	
POLS 2328	Modern Political Thought	
POLS 2330	American Political Thought	
POLS 2332	Contemporary Political Thought	
<b>Political Science Electives</b>		
Complete three courses in the following range:		12
POLS 2000 and above that are not fulfilling other POLS requirements		

**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.

- American Political Institutions (p. 4)
- Campaigns and Elections (p. 4)
- Comparative Politics (p. 5)
- Identity, Culture, and Politics (p. 5)
- International Relations and Diplomacy (p. 5)
- Law and Legal Studies (p. 5)
- Public Policy (p. 6)
- Security Studies (p. 6)

**Supporting Courses for Political Science**

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following to fulfill the prerequisite for POLS2400:		
MATH 1213	Interactive Mathematics	4
MATH 1215	Mathematical Thinking	
MATH 1231	Calculus for Business and Economics	
MATH 1241	Calculus 1	

**Integrative Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>English Integrative Requirement</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
ENGL 2740	Writing and Community Engagement	
ENGL 3426	British and American Literature and Politics	
<b>Political Science Integrative Requirement</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
POLS 2368	Music and Politics in America and Abroad	
POLS 3320	Politics and Mass Media	
<b>Capstone</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
ENGL 4710	Capstone Seminar	
or ENGL 4720	Capstone Project	
POLS 4701	Political Science Senior Capstone	
or POLS 4703	Senior Thesis	

**Major Credit Requirement**

88 semester hours required in the major

**Experiential Liberal Arts**

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

**Program Requirement**

128 total semester hours required

**CONCENTRATION IN AMERICAN POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS**

Code	Title	Hours
Complete four of the following:		16
POLS 2350	State and Local Politics	
POLS 3300	The U.S. Congress	
POLS 3302	Judicial Process and Behavior	
POLS 3307	Public Policy and Administration	
POLS 3310	Public Opinion, Voting, and Elections	
POLS 3160	Campaign Strategy	

**CONCENTRATION IN CAMPAIGNS AND ELECTIONS**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
POLS 3160	Campaign Strategy	4
POLS 3302	Judicial Process and Behavior	4
<b>Campaigns and Elections Electives</b>		
If POLS 4947 was replaced by a co-op or internship, an additional elective must be taken.		
Complete two of the following:		8
POLS 2345	Urban Policies and Politics	
POLS 2350	State and Local Politics	
POLS 2355	Intergovernmental Relations	
POLS 3310	Public Opinion, Voting, and Elections	
POLS 3320	Politics and Mass Media	
POLS 3304	Presidential Nominating Process	

**CONCENTRATION IN COMPARATIVE POLITICS**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Theoretical Requirement</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
POLS 2370	Religion and Politics	
POLS 3418	Nationalism	
POLS 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection	
POLS 3487	Politics of Developing Nations	
<b>Regional Requirements</b>		
Complete two of the following:		8
POLS 3435	Politics and Governance of Europe and the European Union	
POLS 3465	Government and Politics in the Middle East	
POLS 3470	Arab-Israeli Conflict	
<b>Experiential/Practicum Requirement</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
POLS 4915	Model Arab League	
POLS 4918	Model NATO	
POLS 4937	Dialogue of Civilizations: Government and Politics Abroad	

**CONCENTRATION IN IDENTITY, CULTURE, AND POLITICS**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Course</b>		
POLS 3418	Nationalism	4
<b>Electives</b>		
Complete three of the following:		12
POLS 2359	Immigration Politics	
POLS 2368	Music and Politics in America and Abroad	
POLS 2370	Religion and Politics	
POLS 2375	Gender and Politics	
POLS 3309	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues in Public Policy	
POLS 3324	Law and Society	

**CONCENTRATION IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND DIPLOMACY**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Experiential/Practicum Requirement</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
POLS 4910	Model United Nations	
POLS 4915	Model Arab League	
POLS 4938	Dialogue of Civilizations: International Politics Abroad	
<b>Core Courses</b>		
Complete three of the following:		12
POLS 3405	International Political Economy	
POLS 3406	International Law	
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**

Code	Title	Hours
Complete four of the following:		16
POLS 2330	American Political Thought	
POLS 3300	The U.S. Congress	
POLS 3302	Judicial Process and Behavior	
POLS 3323	Race, Inequality, and the Law	

or AFAM 3323	Race, Inequality, and the Law
POLS 3324	Law and Society
POLS 3406	International Law
POLS 3409	Global Governance
POLS 4500	U.S. Constitutional Law
POLS 4505	U.S. Civil Liberties

**CONCENTRATION IN PUBLIC POLICY**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Requirement</b>		
POLS 3307	Public Policy and Administration	4
<b>Electives</b>		
Complete three of the following:		12
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	

**CONCENTRATION IN SECURITY STUDIES**

Code	Title	Hours
Complete four of the following:		
POLS 3408	International Security	
or POLS 5408	International Security	
POLS 3420	U.S. National Security Policy	
POLS 3423	Terrorism and Counterterrorism	
POLS 3425	U.S. Foreign Policy	
POLS 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection	
POLS 3470	Arab-Israeli Conflict	
POLS 3487	Politics of Developing Nations	

**Plan of Study**

Sample Four Years, Two Co-ops in Spring/Summer 1

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL 1000		1 ENGL 1160 or 1410		4 Elective		4 Elective		4
ENGL 1400	4	POLS 1160	4	Elective	4	Elective	4	4
POLS 1150	4	POLS 2400 prerequisite	4					
POLS 1155	4	ENGL elective	4					
Elective	4							
		17			16			8
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL pre-19th century requirement		4 Co-op		Co-op		ENGL elective		4
ENGL theories and methods requirement	4					POLS elective		4
POLS thought course	4							
POLS 2399	4							
		16			0			0
								8

Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL 20th-, 21st-century requirement		4 Co-op		Co-op		ENGL diversity requirement		4
ENGL comparative requirement		4				Advanced Writing requirement		4
POLS elective		4						
Elective		4						
		16		0		0		8

Year 4								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL integrative course		4 Capstone requirement		4				
POLS integrative course		4 ENGL elective		4				
Elective		4 POLS elective		4				
Elective		4 Elective		4				
		16		16				

Total Hours: 129

Sample Five Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL 1000		1 ENGL 1160 or 1410		4 Vacation		Vacation		
ENGL 1400		4 POLS 1160		4				
POLS 1150		4 POLS 2400 prerequisite		4				
POLS 1155		4 English elective		4				
Elective		4						
		17		16		0		0

Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL pre-19th-century requirement		4 ENGL 19th-, 20th-, 21st-century requirement		4 Vacation		Co-op		
ENGL elective		4 ENGL theories and methods requirement		4				
POLS elective		4 Elective		4				
POLS thought course		4 POLS 2400		4				
		16		16		0		0

Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
Co-op		ENGL comparative literature requirement		4 Vacation		Co-op		
		ENGL diversity requirement		4				
		Elective		4				
		POLS 2399		4				
		0		16		0		0

<b>Year 4</b>					
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Summer Full Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Co-op		ENGL elective	4	Vacation	
		POLS elective	4		
		Elective	4		
		Elective	4		
	0		16		0
<b>Year 5</b>					
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>		
Capstone		4 Integrative course	4		
Elective		4 English writing requirement	4		
POLS elective		4 Elective	4		
POLS integrative course		4 Elective	4		
	16		16		

Total Hours: 129