

## PHD IN POLITICAL SCIENCE DEGREE PLAN

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ PSID # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Admitted (Sem., Year) \_\_\_\_\_ Comps (Sem., Year) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Advisor initials \_\_\_\_\_ DGS initials \_\_\_\_\_ Date Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

**Core**

Course #	Course Title	Date taken/to be taken	Hours
POLS 6380	Quantitative Methods I	Fall _____	3
POLS 6302	Research Design	Fall _____	3
POLS 6381	Quantitative Methods II	Spr. _____	3
POLS 6394	Dissertation Prospectus	Fall _____	3

**Major Field:**  
(12 hours or more)

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**Minor Field:**  
(9 hours or more)

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**Electives**  
(6 hours or more)

Course #	Course Title	Date taken/to be taken	Hours
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## Tools

(6 hours or more in addition to POLS 6380 and POLS 6381.)

Note: POLS 6382 is encouraged but not required according to the Ph.D. Handbook.

Course #	Course Title	Date taken/to be taken	Hours
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\*Ensure **45 total course work hours** at the 6000 level or above.

Total hours: \_\_\_\_\_

At least 12 dissertation hours are also required to qualify for the Ph.D.

*Of 45*

## Important Notes and Instructions

1. Review this plan every semester with your Faculty Advisor. Bring questions to the Director of Graduate Studies. Any exceptions to the required coursework must be approved by the Director of Graduate Studies and the Field Chair for that field.
2. If you select American as one of your fields, then you must take at least one course from each of the following subsets:
  - a. Behavior (Electoral Behavior, Public Opinion, Psychological Approaches...)
  - b. Institutions (Legislative Process, Presidency, Parties)
3. If you select Comparative as one of your fields, then you should take Comparative Political Analysis before comprehensive exams
4. If you select Public Policy as one of your fields, then you should take Public Policy Analysis before comprehensive exams
5. Summer “math camp” normally is taken during the summer after your first year. It does not apply to a Major, Minor, Elective, or Tools requirement. It counts for 0 credits and therefore does not count towards the 45 hours.
6. Enroll in at least one course every Fall and Spring semester until the degree is awarded.
7. You must finish the entire program, including dissertation, within 10 years. You must complete your dissertation within 5 years after passing comprehensive exams.
8. For additional requirements, recommendations, and other general information, consult our website: [www.uh.edu/class/political-science/graduate](http://www.uh.edu/class/political-science/graduate). For questions pertaining to the Qualifying Paper and Comprehensive Examinations, see the following documents:
  - “A Guide to Normal Progress in the Ph.D. Program in Political Science at the University of Houston Fall 2013: A Roadmap for Full-Time Students”
  - Ph.D. (Fall 2013 and beyond) Handbook