# College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences
Department of Political Science
Bachelor of Arts:  Major – Political Science
Social and Political Justice Option (SPJ)
Checksheet for Students Entering Under UG Catalog 2022-2023

Name_____

## I. Core Degree Requirements (21 Credit Hours)

### Required Political Science Courses (12 credit hours)
☐ PSCI 1034 Introduction to International Studies & Political Science (3) [cross listed IS 1034]
☐ PSCI 2014 Introduction to Political Theory (3)
☐ PSCI 2024* Research Methods in Political Science (3)
☐ PSCI 2054 Introduction to World Politics (3) [cross listed GEOG 2054 and IS 2054] **OR**
    PSCI 2064 The Global Economy and World Politics [cross listed GEOG 2064 and IS 2064] (3)

### Required Political Science Core Elective Courses (9 credit hours)
*9 hours of courses in Political Science, 6 of which must be at the 3000 or 4000 level.*

☐ _____ (3)        ☐ _____ (3)        ☐ _____ (3)

## II. Requirements for the Political Science Major (9 Credit Hours)

### Political Science Major Courses (6 credit hours)

☐ PSCI 1014 Introduction to United States Government and Politics (3)
☐ PSCI 1024 Introduction to Comparative Government and Politics (3) [cross listed IS 1024]

### Advanced Theory and Practice in Political Science (3 credit hours)

☐ PSCI 3015* Political Theory (3) [cross listed PHIL 3015]
☐ PSCI 3016* Political Theory (3) [cross listed PHIL 3016]
☐ PSCI 4024* Seminar in Diplomacy and Security (3) [cross listed IS 4024]
☐ PSCI 4054* Seminar in Global Political Economy (3) [cross listed IS 4054]
☐ PSCI 4064* Seminar in Global Development (3) [cross listed IS 4064]
☐ PSCI 4164* Future of Security (3) [cross listed BIT 4164 and CS 4164]
☐ PSCI 4214* Senior Seminar in Political Behavior (3)
☐ PSCI 4314* Senior Seminar in Political Institutions (3)
☐ PSCI 4324* Senior Seminar in Constitutional Law (3)
☐ PSCI 4414* Senior Seminar in Public Administration (3)
☐ PSCI 4514* Senior Seminar in Comparative Politics (3)
☐ PSCI 4614* Senior Seminar in International Relations (3) [cross listed IS 4614]
☐ PSCI 4074* The Politics of Cybersecurity (3) [cross listed IS 4074]
☐ PSCI 4714* Senior Seminar in Policy Analysis (3) [cross listed IS 4714]
☐ PSCI 4724* Senior Seminar in Political Theory (3)
☐ PSCI 4754* Internship Program (3)
☐ PSCI 4974 Independent Study (3)
☐ PSCI 4994 Undergraduate Research (3)

## III. Requirements for the Political Science Major (Social and Political Justice Option) (24 Credit Hours)

### Social and Political Justice Political Science Courses (9 credit hours)

*Choose three courses from the list below:*

- ☐ PSCI 3154    Topics in Global Public Policies* (3)  [cross listed IS 3154]
- ☐ PSCI 3175    Global Development* (3) [cross listed IS 3175]
- ☐ PSCI 3176    Global Development* (3) [cross listed IS 3176]
- ☐ PSCI 3255    The Politics of Race, Ethnicity and Gender* (3) [cross listed IS 3255]
- ☐ PSCI 3256    The Politics of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender* (3) [cross listed IS 3256]
- ☐ PSCI 3264    Interest Groups* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3334    Judicial Process* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3344    Global Environmental Issues* (3) [cross listed UAP 3344]
- ☐ PSCI 3364    Constitutional Law: Civil and Political Rights* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3424    State and Local Government* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3434    Urban Politics* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3444    Administrative Law and Policy* (3) [cross listed UAP 3444]
- ☐ PSCI 3634    Human Rights: Global Issues* (3) [cross listed IS 3634]
- ☐ PSCI 3684    Indigenous Peoples and World Politics (3) [cross listed AINS 3684]
- ☐ PSCI 3714    U.S. Policy Process* (3) [cross listed UAP 3714]
- ☐ PSCI 3724    Poverty and Welfare Policy* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3744    Public Policy Analysis* (3) [cross listed UAP 3744]
- ☐ PSCI 3754    American Political Theory* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3764    Contemporary Democratic Theory* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 3774    Marxian Political Analysis* (3) [cross listed UAP 3774]
- ☐ PSCI 3784    Origins of the State* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 4054    Seminar in Global Political Economy* (3) [cross listed IS 4054]
- ☐ PSCI 4064*    Senior Seminar in Global Development (3) [cross listed IS 4064]
- ☐ PSCI 4324    Senior Seminar in Constitutional Law* (3)
- ☐ PSCI 4414    Senior Seminar in Public Administration* (3)

### Political Science Electives (3 credit hours)
*Minimum of 3 additional hours of courses in Political Science.*

- ☐ _____ (3)
  - Limit on Repeatable Courses: No more than six credit hours in any one of the following courses may contribute toward the 54 hours required by the major: internship (PSCI 4754), undergraduate research (PSCI 4994), independent study (PSCI 4974).

## Required Hours in Social and Political Justice Courses (12 credit hours)

*Choose four courses from the list below:*

☐ AFST 3444 African American Images in Film* (3) [cross listed CINE 3444]
☐ AFST 3454 African American Leadership for Social Change (3)
☐ AFST 3864 Development and Humanitarianism in Africa (3) [cross listed HIST 3864/IS 3864]
☐ ALCE 4304* Community Education and Development (3)
☐ CRIM 3434 Systems of Justice* (3)
☐ ECON 3024 Economic Justice* (3)
☐ ECON 3034 Economics of Poverty and Discrimination* (3)
☐ ECON 4014 Environmental Economics* (3)
☐ ECON 4044 Public Economics* (3)
☐ ECON 4214 Economics of Healthcare* (3)
☐ ENGL 3134 Gender and Linguistics* (3) [cross listed WGS 3134]
☐ ENGL 3624 Appalachian Literature* (3)
☐ ENGL 3644 The Postcolonial Novel* (3)
☐ ENGL 3654 Ethnic American Literature * (3)
☐ ENGL 3684* Literature and the Law (3)
☐ ENGL 3694 Topics in world Novels* (3)
☐ ENGL 3734 Community Writing* (3)
☐ ENGL 3834 Intercultural Issues in Professional Writing* (3)
☐ GEOG 3104 Environmental Problems, Population, and Development (3)
☐ GEOG 3244* The U.S. City (3)
☐ HD 3024* Community Analytics (3)
☐ HD 3114 Issues in Aging (3)
☐ HD 4324* Advanced Family Relationships (3)
☐ HD 4364* Gender and Family Diversity (3)
☐ HIST 3105 Women in US History (3)
☐ HIST 3106 Women in US History (3)
☐ HIST 3114 History of Capitalism (3)
☐ HIST 3144 American Environmental History (3)
☐ HIST 3174 Native American History (3) [cross listed AINS 3174]
☐ HIST 3494 The Holocaust (3) [cross listed JUD 3494/RLCL 3494]
☐ HIST 3554 Age of Globalization (3)
☐ HIST 3584 Colonial Latin America (3)
☐ HIST 3634 Mau Mau: Colonialism and Rebellion in Kenya (3)
☐ JMC 4044* International Communication (3) [cross listed IS 4044]
☐ JMC 4064 Social Media Analytics* (3)
☐ JMC 4264 Social Media Theory and Practice (3)
☐ JMC 4334* Communication Ethics (3)
☐ JMC 4344* Free Speech in Cyberspace (3)
☐ PHIL 3314 Ethical Theory* (3)
☐ PHIL 3324 Biomedical Ethics (3)
☐ PHIL 3334 Ethical Perspectives on Artificial Intelligence (3)
☐ PHS 3104 Introduction to Environmental Health (3)
☐ PHS 4044* Public Health Policy and Administration (3)
☐ PSVP 4104 Global Society, Violence, and the Prospects for Peace* (3)
☐ PSVP 4444 Schools, Violence, and Justice* (3) [cross listed SOC 4444]
☐ SOC 3004 Social Inequality* (3)
☐ SOC 3014 Gender Relations* (3)
☐ SOC 3314 Social Movements* (3)
☐ SOC 3404 Environmental Justice (3)
☐ SOC 3464 Appalachian Communities (3) [cross listed AHRM 3464/APS 3464/GEOG 3464/HD 3464/HUM 3464/UAP 3464)

- ☐ SOC 3614 Gender and Work in the US* (3)
- ☐ SOC 4094 Appalachian Community Research (3) [cross listed APS 4094/PHS 4094]
- ☐ SOC 4404 Sociology of Law* (3)
- ☐ SOC 4704 Medical Sociology* (3)
- ☐ SOC 4714 Sociology of Mental Illness* (3)
- ☐ SPIA 4454* Future of Cities (3)
- ☐ SPIA 4464 Data and the Art of Policy Making and Planning(3)
- ☐ STS 3104 Science and Technology in Modern Society (3)
- ☐ STS 3284 Technology and Disability (3)
- ☐ STS 3314 Medical Dilemmas and Human Experience (3)
- ☐ STS 3334 Energy and Society (3)
- ☐ STS 4304* Contemporary Issues in Science, Technology, and Society (3)
- ☐ STS 4314 Narrative Medicine* (3) [cross listed ENGL 4314]
- ☐ STS 4704 Gender and Science* (3) [cross listed WGS 4704]
- ☐ UAP 3354 Introduction to Environmental Policy and Planning (3)
- ☐ UAP 4214* Gender, Environment, and International Development (3) [cross listed GEOG 4214/WGS 4214)
- ☐ UAP 4344 Law of Critical Environmental Areas (3)
- ☐ UAP 4374* Land Use and Environment: Planning and Policy (3)
- ☐ UAP 4754* Legal Foundations of Planning (3)
- ☐ WGS 3214 Global Feminisms* (3)

☐ **IV. PSCI Pathways to General Education Requirements and Recommendations (45 hours)**

PSCI majors (all options) must complete the requirements for the Pathways to General Education.  More details and course listings can be found at the following link: https://www.pathways.prov.vt.edu.

**Pathways CLO 1F: Discourse *foundational* (**6 Credits Required)

(ENGL 1105 First Year Writing and 1106 First Year Writing recommended)

☐_____                    ☐_____

**Pathways CLO 1A: Discourse *advanced*** (3 Credits Required)

☐_____

**Pathways CLO 2:  Critical Thinking in the Humanities** (6 Credits Required)

☐_____                    ☐_____

**Pathways CLO 3:  Reasoning in the Social Sciences** (6 Credits Required) [Met by Major Requirements]

☐ PSCI 1014 US Gov & Politics        ☐ PSCI 1024 Comp Gov & Politics [cross list IS 1024]

**Pathways CLO 4:  Reasoning in the Natural Sciences**  (6 Credits Required)

☐_____            ☐_____

**Pathways CLO 5F: Quantitative and Computational Thinking *Foundational*** (6 Credits Required)

☐_____            ☐_____

**Pathways CLO 5A: Quantitative and Computational Thinking *Advanced*** (3 Credits Required)

☐_____

**Pathways CLO 6A & 6D:  Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts** (6 credits: 3 design + 3 arts, or 6 integrated design & arts)

☐_____ (A)      ☐_____ (D)

**Pathways CLO 7:  Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States** (3 credits) [Met by Major Requirements]

☐ PSCI 1014 US Gov & Politics


**Foreign Language:**
- ☐ Students who completed 3 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school have completed the requirement.
- ☐ Students who did not complete 3 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school may complete the requirement as follows:
    - o Complete 2 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school plus FL 1106 or the equivalent in college (these 3 hours do count toward the 120 required for graduation and calculate into the GPA) OR
    - o Complete FL 1105-1106 or the equivalent in college (these 6 hours do NOT count toward the 120 required for graduation)

## V. Free Electives (Remaining courses to complete 120 credit hour graduation requirement)

☐_____  ☐_____  ☐_____  ☐_____

☐_____  ☐_____  ☐_____  ☐_____

**Hours Requirement:**  A total of 120 hours is required to graduate with a Political Science degree.

**In major GPA:** All of the courses used in Sections I, II, and III are included in the in-major GPA. The overall and in-major GPAs required for graduation are 2.0.

**Satisfactory Progress:**  To proceed satisfactorily toward a degree, a student must complete PSCI 1014, 1024, and 2024 by the end of the semester in which 60 hours have been attempted; must maintain an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and must maintain an in major GPA of 2.0.

**Free Electives:**  Hours not required by the Pathways to General Education or the major are "free electives" and may be taken anywhere in the university.

**Prerequisites:**  Some courses required for this major have pre-/co-requisite and/or enrollment requirements. Please refer to Undergraduate Course Catalog or consult your advisor for information about pre-/co-requisite and enrollment requirements. These courses are noted with an asterisk (*).

**Regarding Double Majors and Minors:** The Department of Political Science offers majors in Political Science, International Studies, International Relations, National Security and Foreign Affairs, and International Public Policy as well as minors in Political Science, International Studies, International Relations, National Security and Foreign Affairs, and International Public Policy. Courses for the majors and minors overlap significantly.  Therefore, Political Science majors may not pursue multiple majors and/or minors within the department.

Political Science: Social and Political Justice Option (PATHWAYS)

| 1<sup>st</sup> Year Fall | 1<sup>st</sup> Year Spring |
|---|---|
| (3) PSCI 1034 (core)<br>(3) PSCI 1014 (PW3 and PW7)<br>(3) ENGL 1105 (PW1F)<br>(3) PW5F<br>(3) PW4 | (3) PSCI 1024 (PW3)<br>(3) ENGL 1106 (PW1F)<br>(3) PW5F<br>(3) PW4<br>(3) Elective |
| 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Fall | 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Spring |
| (3) PSCI 2014 (core)<br>(3) PSCI 2024 (core)<br>(3) PW1A<br>(3) PW 2<br>(3) Elective | (3) PSCI 2054 OR 2064 (core)<br>(3) PSCI 1XXX/2XXX/3XXX (core)<br>(3) PW 2<br>(3) Elective<br>(3) Elective |
| 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Fall | 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Spring |
| (3) PSCI Social and Political Justice Course<br>(3)  PSCI 1XXX/2XXX/3XXX<br>(3) Social and Political Justice Related Field Course<br>(3) Elective<br>(3) Elective | (3) PSCI Social and Political Justice Course<br>(3) PSCI 3XXX/4XXX (core)<br>(3) Social and Political Justice Related Field Course<br>(3) PW6D<br>(3) Elective |
| 4<sup>th</sup> Year Fall | 4<sup>th</sup> Year Spring |
| (3) PSCI Social and Political Justice Course<br>(3) PSCI 3XXX/4XXX (core)<br>(3) Social and Political Justice Related Field Course<br>(3) PW5A<br>(3) Elective | (3) PSCI Advanced Theory/Practice<br>(3) Social and Political Justice Related Field Course<br>(3) PW6A<br>(3) Elective<br>(3) Elective |

This is an EXAMPLE of a course of study; you do NOT have to follow it

We recommend that you take your math courses early so that you will recall more from your previous coursework

This assumes that you have NO AP, IB, or TRANSFER credit

This assumes that you do NOT take summer courses

This assumes you have completed the CLAHS foreign language admission requirement (3 years+ of a single foreign language from high school)

Elective courses may be applied to a second major, a minor, and/or courses required for ROTC, leadership, athletics, etc.