



## Political Science

### Bachelor of Arts Political Science Department of Political Science

#### Program Requirements

The Department of Political Science also offers a Specialized Honours degree in global political studies. For details refer to the section on Global Political Studies.

#### Specialized Honours BA: 120 Credits

**Residency requirement:** a minimum of 30 course credits and at least half (50 per cent) of the course credits required in each undergraduate degree program major/minor must be taken at York University.

**Graduation requirement:** students must successfully complete (pass) at least 120 credits which meet the Faculty's degree and program requirements with a cumulative grade point average of at least 5.00.

**General education:** 24 credits of general education chosen from approved courses in humanities, modes of reasoning, natural science and social science, including a minimum of six credits in each of humanities, natural science and social science.

**Major credits:** students must complete at least 54 credits in political science, including:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- 18 credits at the 3000 level;
- 12 credits at the 4000 level.

**Upper-level credits:** at least 36 credits at the 3000 or 4000 level, including at least 18 credits at the 4000 level.

**Credits outside the major:** at least 18 credits.

#### Honours BA: 120 Credits

**Residency requirement:** a minimum of 30 course credits and at least half (50 per cent) of the course credits required in each undergraduate degree program major/minor must be taken at York University.

**Graduation requirement:** students must successfully complete (pass) at least 120 credits which meet the Faculty's degree and program requirements with a cumulative grade point average of at least 5.00.

**General education:** 24 credits of general education chosen from approved courses in humanities, modes of reasoning, natural science and social science, including a minimum of six credits in each of humanities, natural science and social science.

**Major credits:** students must complete at least 48 credits political science, including:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- 12 credits at the 3000 level;
- 12 credits at the 4000 level.

**Upper-level credits:** at least 36 credits at the 3000 or 4000 level, including at least 18 credits at the 4000 level.



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**Credits outside the major:** at least 18 credits.  
(*Note: students who are completing a double major or major/minor are deemed to have fulfilled this requirement.*)

### Honours Double Major BA

The Honours BA program described above may be pursued jointly with approved Honours Double Major degree programs in the Faculties of Environmental Studies, Fine Arts, Health, Liberal Arts and Professional Studies or Science and Engineering. For further details on requirements, refer to the listings for specific Honours programs that may be pursued jointly with other Faculties.

**Note:** *in a double major program, a course may count only once toward major credit.*

**Major credits:** students must complete at least 48 credits in political science, including:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00, AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00);
- 12 credits at the 3000 level;
- 12 credits at the 4000 level.

### Honours Double Major Interdisciplinary (Linked) BA

Political science may be linked with any Honours Double Major Interdisciplinary BA program in the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies. Students must take at least 48 credits in political science and at least 36 credits in the interdisciplinary program. Courses taken to meet political science requirements cannot also be used to meet the requirements of the interdisciplinary program. Students in these interdisciplinary programs must take a total of at

least 18 credits at the 4000 level, including at least 12 credits in political science and six credits in the interdisciplinary program. For further details of requirements, refer to the listings for specific Honours Double Major Interdisciplinary BA programs.

**Note:** *in a double major program, a course may count only once toward major credit.*

**Major credits:** the 48 credits in political science must include:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- 12 credits at the 3000 level;
- 12 credits at the 4000 level.

### Honours Major/Minor BA

The Honours BA program described above may be pursued jointly with approved Honours Minor degree programs in the Faculties of Environmental Studies, Fine Arts, Health, Liberal Arts and Professional Studies or Science and Engineering. For further details on requirements, refer to the listings for specific Honours programs that may be pursued jointly with other Faculties.

**Note:** *in a major/minor program, a course may count only once toward major credit or minor credit.*

### Honours Minor BA

The Honours Minor BA program described may be combined with any approved Honours BA program that offers a major/minor option in the Faculties of Environmental Studies, Fine Arts, Health, Liberal Arts and Professional Studies or



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Science and Engineering. For further details on requirements, refer to the listings for specific Honours programs that may be pursued jointly with other Faculties.

**Note:** *in a major/minor program, a course may count only once toward major credit or minor credit.*

**Minor credits:** the Honours Minor in political science comprises at least 30 credits, including:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from the following: AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00), AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- six political science credits at the 3000 level;
- six political science credits at the 4000 level.

**Note:** *at least six credits in the minor must be at the 4000 level.*

### BA: 90 Credits

**Residency requirement:** a minimum of 30 course credits and at least half (50 per cent) of the course credits required in each undergraduate degree program major/minor must be taken at York University.

**Graduation requirement:** students must successfully complete (pass) at least 90 credits that meet the Faculty's degree and program requirements with a cumulative grade point average of at least 4.00.

**General education:** 24 credits of general education chosen from approved courses in humanities, modes of reasoning, natural science and social science, including a minimum of six

credits in each of humanities, natural science and social science.

**Major credits:** students must complete at least 30 credits in political science, including:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- six credits chosen from the following: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- 12 credits at the 3000 level.

**Upper-level credits:** at least 18 credits at the 3000 or 4000 level.

**Credits outside the major:** at least 18 credits.

## International Bachelor of Arts (iBA)

### Program Requirements

#### Specialized Honours iBA: 120 Credits

**Residency requirement:** a minimum of 30 course credits and at least half (50 per cent) of the course credits required in each undergraduate degree program major/minor must be taken at York University.

**Graduation requirement:** students must successfully complete (pass) at least 120 credits which meet the Faculty's degree and program requirements with a cumulative grade point average of at least 5.00.

**General education:** 24 credits of general education chosen from approved courses in humanities, modes of reasoning, natural science and social science, including a minimum of six



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credits in each of humanities, natural science and social science.

**Major credits:** students must complete at least 54 credits in political science, including:

- [AP/POLS 1000 6.00](#) (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- 18 credits at the 3000 level;
- 12 credits at the 4000 level.

In addition, students in the Specialized Honours iBA program must fulfill the following requirements:

**Language study credits:** at least 18 credits in a modern language offered by York University, including the Advanced I university-level course in the chosen language.

**Internationally-oriented credits:** at least 12 credits of internationally-oriented courses chosen outside the major.

**International exchange:** at least one full term abroad as a full-time student at one of York University's exchange partners.

**Upper-level credits:** at least 36 credits at the 3000 or 4000 level, including at least 18 credits at the 4000 level.

**Credits outside the major:** at least 18 credits. *(Note: for the Specialized Honours iBA, courses taken outside the major to satisfy the language study requirement and/or the internationally-oriented courses requirement can also be used to satisfy the outside the major requirement).*

### Honours iBA: 120 Credits

**Residency requirement:** a minimum of 30 course credits and at least half (50 per cent) of the course credits required in each undergraduate degree program major/minor must be taken at York University.

**Graduation requirement:** students must successfully complete (pass) at least 120 credits which meet the Faculty's degree and program requirements with a cumulative grade point average of at least 5.00.

**General education:** 24 credits of general education chosen from approved courses in humanities, modes of reasoning, natural science and social science, including a minimum of six credits in each of humanities, natural science and social science.

**Major credits:** students must complete at least 48 credits in political science, including:

- AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00);
- AP/POLS 2900 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2900 6.00);
- 12 credits chosen from: AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00), AP/POLS 2940 6.00 or AP/POLS 2950 6.00;
- 12 credits at the 3000 level;
- 12 credits at the 4000 level.

In addition, students in the Honours iBA program must fulfill the following requirements:

**Language study credits:** at least 18 credits in a modern language offered by York University, including the Advanced I university-level course in the chosen language.

**Internationally-oriented credits:** at least 12 credits of internationally-oriented courses chosen outside the major.



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**International exchange:** at least one full term abroad as a full-time student at one of York University's exchange partners.

**Upper-level credits:** at least 36 credits at the 3000 or 4000 level, including at least 18 credits at the 4000 level.

**Credits outside the major:** at least 18 credits. *(Note: for the Honours iBA courses taken outside the major to satisfy the language study requirement and/or the internationally-oriented courses requirement can also be used to satisfy the outside the major requirement. Students who are completing a major/minor are deemed to have fulfilled this requirement.)*

## Honours Major/Minor iBA

The Honours iBA program described above may be pursued jointly with any Honours Minor BA program in the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies.

**Note:** in a major/minor program, a course may count only once toward major credit or minor credit.

## Course Substitutes

Subject to course exclusions, program requirements/restrictions and residency requirements, the following courses are acceptable substitutes for the purpose of meeting political science program requirements:

	an additional three credits in POLS at the 2000 level or above in the international relations field; GL/POLS 2920 6.00
AP/POLS 2950 6.00	GL/ILST 2300 3.00 plus an additional three credits in POLS at the 2000 level or above in the comparative field

Program Course	Course Substitutes
AP/POLS 1000 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 1000 6.00)	GL/POLS 1400 6.00
AP/POLS 2910 6.00 (cross-listed to: AP/PPAS 2910 6.00)	GL/CDNS 2600 6.00/GL/POLS 2600 6.00
AP/POLS 2940 6.00	GL/ILST 2300 3.00 plus