

Bachelor of Arts/Science in Political Science | 2020–2021

The BA/BS in Political Science is designed for students who want an understanding of the development of national and international public policies. Our program empowers students for the next phase of their life—career and/or graduate studies. The BA includes government, public policy making, international affairs, American and comparative politics, and language. The BS includes the same courses and requirements, but has no foreign language requirement.

The Andrews University Department of History & Political Science constitutes a vital component of this distinctive Seventh-day Adventist institution. Serving its major and minors, the department promotes the study of political science within the Christian worldview, emphasizing both individual and corporate responsibility for service to humanity.



Course	Credits	Recommended Year
CORE REQUIREMENTS: 16 CREDITS		
HIST 117 Civilization and Ideas I or HIST 118 Civilization and Ideas II	3	Freshman
HIST 204 American Experience I or HIST 205 American Experience II	3	Sophomore
PLSC 101 Introduction to History and Political Science	1	Freshman–Fall
PLSC 104 American Government	3	Freshman
PLSC 277 Political Science Colloquium	0	All
PLSC 390 Research Seminar	3	Sophomore/Junior
PLSC 456 Classical, Medieval and Early Modern Political Thought	3	Senior
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 27 CREDITS		
PLSC 225 Comparative Politics	3	Sophomore
PLSC 230 International Relations	3	Sophomore
PLSC 365 American Foreign Relations	3	Junior/Senior
PLSC 410 Comparative Political Theory and Method	3	Senior
PLSC 458 American Political Thought	3	Senior
12 Credits with Major Courses	12	Junior/Senior
<i>Upper division credits chosen in consultation with the advisor</i>		

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Students who complete this program should be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of key historical facts, values and ideas that have shaped governments throughout history
- Demonstrate ability to conduct independent research to construct arguments based on data and political science method
- Critically examine and evaluate political developments from an SDA/Christian worldview
- Explore and engage in the political science profession with personal interaction, research tools and academic scholarship
- Demonstrate competence in oral/written communication, presenting ideas, perspectives and arguments in an effective manner

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GETTING STARTED

1. Apply online at: andrews.edu/apply.
2. Activate Andrews account to check admission status and communicate with advisors.
3. Consult family, employer and/or Andrews financial advisor to clear financially.
4. Consult academic advisor to select classes and register.
5. Buy texts and study online.

NATURAL SCIENCES		8
<i>Take one of the following:</i>		
BIOL 100	Human Biology	4
BIOL 110	Principles of Biology	4
CHEM 100	Consumer Chemistry	4
PHYS 110	Astronomy	4
SOCIAL SCIENCES		6
ANTH 200	Cultural Anthropology	3
BHSC 225	Global Social Issues	3
ECON 208	Principles of Economics	3
GBST101	Introduction to Global Studies	3
PLSC 104	American Government	3
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOCI 119	Principles of Sociology	3
Wellness	Well - Being 360	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HLED 135	1
HISTORY		6
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 110 World Views, Cultures and Gods	3
MATH		3–4
<i>For BA majors in History or Political Science, and BS majors in Political Science, a statistics/mathematics course will fulfill the GE mathematics requirements.</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	STAT 285 Elementary Statistics	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transfer Transfer Equivalent	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MATH	3
RELIGION		12
<input type="checkbox"/>	RELT 100 God & Human Life (first year)	3
<i>Recommend students take one course for each academic year in attendance from RELB, RELG, RELP, RELT</i>		9
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LANGUAGE/COMMUNICATION		BA *13/BS 9
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 115/117 College Writing I	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 215 College Writing II	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 104 Communication Skills	3
*BA	Language Intermediate Level	3

FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES		
<i>Take one or two of the following theory courses:</i>		
ARTH 220	Language of Art	3
ENGL 255 Topics:	Literature	3
MUHL 214	Enjoyment of Music	3
MUHL 250	Music to Change the World	3
PHIL 224	Intro to Philosophy	3
<i>If you take only one theory course, the remaining credits may come from Studio Art, ensemble, and/or applied Music or INEN 221</i>		
TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS		
Bachelor of Science		43
Bachelor of Arts		43 + Language Requirement