

STUDY PLAN FOR THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Bachelor's degree is awarded at the Department of Political Science after the fulfillment of the following requirements:

1. The conditions provided for in the Regulations for Awarding the Bachelor's Degree in Yarmouk University No 2 for the year 1989 issued in accordance with the Bylaw for Awarding Academic Degrees and Diplomas at Yarmouk University No (76) for the year 1976.
2. The University requirements provided for in the Regulations for Awarding the Bachelor's degree: (27) credit hours.
3. The Faculty requirements specified in the Study Plan for the Bachelor's degree at the Faculty of Arts: (18) credit hours.
4. The Department requirements as follows:
 - First:** Mandatory courses requirements:
 - A. Single Specialization (66) credit hours distributed as follows:

Course No	Course Title	Pre- req
PA101	Fundamentals of Management (1)	
PS 101	Introduction to Political Science	
PS 102	Citizenship Education	
PS 105	Introduction to Comparative Politics	
PS 106	Introduction to International Relations	
L131	Public International Law	
PS 221	Western Political Thought (1)	PS 101
PS 241	Political System (1)	PS 105
PS 242	Jordanian Political System	PS 101
PS 243A	System of Government in Israel	PS105
PS282A	Research Methods in Political Science	
PS 311	Great Powers Foreign Policy towards the Arab World	PS 106
PS 321	International and Regional Organizations	PS 221
PS 332	International and Regional Organizations	PS 106
PS 341	Political Systems (2)	PS 241
PS 342A	Political Parties and Public Opinion	PS 105
PS 411	International Disputes	PS 106
PS 413	Specialized Study in the Palestinian Question	PS 106
Soc317	Political Sociology	PS106
PS 450	Political Texts in English	PS101
PS492	Graduation Project	PS 282
PS 431	Studies in Diplomacy	Law 131
PS 442	Political Development and Modernization	PS105

B. Major specialization (60) credit hours same courses as obligatory courses for single major mentioned above except for PS 431 and PS 442 .

Second: Elective courses requirements:

A. Single Specialization (21) credit hours distributed as follows:

Course No	Course Title	Pre- req
PS104	Introduction to Logic science	
PS 245	Political Theories	PS 221
PS 261	Political Economy	PS 221
PS 312	Intentional Alliances and Blocs	PS 105
PS 314	Jordanian Foreign Policy	PS 282
PS 322	Modern Arab Political Thought	PS 106
Soc 338	Political Social Statistics	
PS317	Political Psychology	
PS318	Social Changes	PS105
PS319	National Security	PS106
PS322	Modern Arab Political Thought	PS221
PS374	Electoral Systems	
PS 412	Advanced Studies in International Relations	Law.131
PS 414	Political Studies (1)	PS 282
PS 415	Political Studies (2) (Africa)	PS106
PS 416	Political Studies(3) (Asia)	PS106
PS 422	Islamic Political Thought	
PS 432	Advanced Studies in Human Rights	Law.131
PS491A	Selected Topics in Political Science	PS 282
PS 431	Studies in Diplomacy	Law.131
PS 442	Political Development and Modernization	PS105

B. Major specialization (6) credit hours:

Third: Courses requirements for minor in Political Sciences (21 Cr. Hr.)

1. Obligatory courses (15 Cr. Hr.) :

PS 101, PS 102. PS 105 , PS 106 , PS 221, PS 242 .

2. Elective courses (6 Cr. Hr.) chosen from the 200 level courses

Or above offered by the Department of Political Science

Division of Credit Hours for Single and Major/Minor Specialization in Political Science Department:

Requirements	Obligatory Courses	Elective Courses	Total Cr. Hr.
University Requirements	12	15	27
Faculty Requirements	15	3	18
Department Requirements	Obligatory Courses	Elective Courses	Total Cr. Hr.
1-Single Specialization	66	21	87
2-Major/Minor Specialization	60	6	66

List of Graduate Courses offered by the Department of Political Science:

Course No	Course Title	Cr. Hr	P
PS 101	Introduction to Political Science	3	
PS 102	Citizenship Education	3	
PS 105	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3	
PS 106	Introduction to International Relations	3	
PS 221	Western Political Thought (1)	3	PS 101
PS 241	Political System (1)	3	PS 105
PS 242	Jordanian Political System	3	PS 101
PS 243	System of Government in Israel	3	PS105
PS 282A	Research Methods in Political Science	3	
PS 311A	Great Powers Foreign Policy towards the Arab World	3	PS 106
PS 321	International and Regional Organizations	3	PS 221
PS 332	International and Regional Organizations	3	PS 106
PS 341	(Political Systems (2)	3	PS 241
PS 342A	Political Parties and Public Opinion	3	PS 105
PS 411	International Disputes	3	PS 106
PS 413	Specialized Study	3	PS 106
PS450	Political Texts in English	3	
PS245	Political theory	3	
PS 261	Political Economy	3	PS 105
PS312	Intentional Alliances and Blocs	3	
PS314	Jordanian Foreign Policy	3	
PS318	Social Changes	3	PS105
PS319	National Security	3	PS106
PS322	Modern Arab Political Thought	3	PS221
PS374	Electoral Systems	3	
PS 412	Advanced Studies in International Relations	3	Law.131
PS 414	Political Studies (1)	3	PS 282
PS 415	Political Studies (2) (Africa)	3	PS106
PS 416	Political Studies(3) (Asia)	3	PS106
PS 422	Islamic Political Thought	3	
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Department of Political Science

COURSE DESCRIPTION

PS101 Introduction to Political Science

Basic concepts of political science with emphasis on its relations with other sciences like sociology, economics, public administration, and research methods in political science; a brief account of the development of political thought, nature of the state and forms of government.

PS 102 Citizenship Education

The object of this course is to familiarize the student with themes and Patriotic concepts such as : homeland, Patriotism, citizenship education, faithfulness, loyalty, good citizenship and democracy. The course, also covers different aspects of the Jordanian state social , military , security , finally , the course addresses the internal and external threats that challenge to state and the role of different institutions to encounter such threats .

PS105 Introduction to Comparative Politics

A general idea about the most important modern theories in comparative politics; theories of modernization, political development and political culture; group politics; analysis of classes, and of political systems and the nature of modern political systems.

PS106 Introduction to International Relations

Introduction to political concepts in international relations: development of international relations with emphasis on post World War 1 period, factors of the strength of state, contemporary international system and its parties.

PS221 Western Political Thought (1)

Development of political thought from the beginning of the Greek period to beginning of the 16th century A.D. with emphasis on the most important political ideas and theories which prevailed during that period.. .

PS241 Political System (1)

Study of government systems in Some Western countries like U.S.A., U.K., Canada, France, Australia, Italy, and Germany, taking into account similarities and dissimilarities among them with regard to legislative, executive and judicial powers and decision making.

PS 242 Jordanian Political System

A general idea about the development of Jordan's political system with emphasis on the development of Jordanian institutions especially the 1952 constitution; special focus on actual jurisdictions of each of the three Jordanian powers; the developments undergone by this system; and a study of the recent democratic changes and developments.

PS243 System of Government in Israel

Type of Israeli governmental system including distribution of powers and interrelations among them; study of political parties and financial, military and religious institutions as pressure groups directing the course of internal as well as external authorities.

PS 244: Political Development (Theories)

Definition of the concept of political development through many theories including theories of phased growth, modernization, interdependence and dependence, with emphasis on institution issues; study of political anticipation; the process of building political institutions; political stability and authority; role of mass media in the political development processes.

PS261 Political Economy

Relation between economics and politics; emphasis on capitalist, socialist, and mixed economic systems; special reference to economic politics at contemporary international level; foreign international trade; dependence and interdependence; multi: national companies; aids; indebtedness, transfer of technology

PS282A Research Methods in Political Science

Study of scientific concepts in political science research and utilization thereof, use of technical aids like the use of library, references etc.; methodologies of logic, history, statistics, Computer, behavior and their uses in political matters.

PS311 Great Powers Foreign Policy towards the Arab World

The Arab World: Nature of the foreign policy of U.S.A. Russia, Great Britain Japan, Germany, and China since World War II; determinants and aims of great powers' foreign policy and the impact thereof on the regional and international policies of the Arab World.

PS312 Intentional Alliances and Blocs

Concepts, theories and historical development of military alliances policy; International blocs in different fields, with special emphasis on how much these blocs and alliances affect international policies; East-West relations.

PS314 Jordanian Foreign Policy

How Jordanian foreign policy is being made; internal, external and natural factors affecting it, with emphasis on Jordan's international relations from the rise of the Emirate until the present.

Soc317 Political Sociology

Introduction to political sociology and its development in terms of studying the state and society: politics as a reflection of economic and social reality (Marxism and applications thereof); theory of organization; issues related to processes of political and social development, such as the study of authority; progress, retardation, social environment, and their relations with politics.

PS318: Political transformations and Social Changes

A study of how political transformations effective social changes institutions, with special emphasis on how to use legal power by government institutions; a study of the chances offered to individuals and groups to get access to decision makers in government institutions.

PS319 National Security

Challenges facing Arab order and the impact thereof on the nature of Inter: Arab

PS321 Western Political Thought (2)

Development of Western political thought from the early 16th century to the 20th century; study of the intellectual origins of liberalism (Locke, Adam Smith, Utilitarianism, Rousseau); socialist and scientific socialism as advocated by Marx; idea of nationalism; movements of liberation and independence; post-World War I

PS322 Modern Arab Political Thought

Development of Arab political thought since Napoleon's expedition of 1798 against Egypt and Syria; intellectual origins of national and religious movements prevalent in the Arab world during the 19th and 20th centuries.

PS332 International and Regional Organizations

Concept of international organization in theory and practice; study of international and regional organizations and their importance for world order; study of their activities, functions and political roles with special reference to the Arab League and the United Nations Organizations concerning the rise, apparatuses, powers, and evaluation of each.

PS341 Political Systems (2)

Study of governmental systems in some countries like the ex Soviet Union, People's Republic of China, Yugoslavia, India, Brazil, Argentina, Iran, and Turkey with emphasis on historical and intellectual backgrounds of these systems and methods of decision making in each.

PS342 Political Parties

Theories with emphasis on sources of public opinion; how it is formed and its role in decision making processes at state level especially in democratic countries.

PS411 International Disputes

Study theories of conflict analysis, with emphasis on Psychological, Sociological, and Political aspects, some Possible conceptions of resolving those conflicts and disputes.

PS412 Advanced Studies in International Relations

Basic theories of international relations and their applications; international relations during the last three decades and the tensions and disputes resulting from the international order; ways and means suggested to arrive at suitable solutions or easing tension and reducing danger of confrontation with emphasis on dialogue as a peaceful means of resolving or reducing the tension resulting from disputes, and to consolidate the ways of cooperation between the political units working within the international order like Euro-Arab dialogue, North-South dialogue and South-South dialogue.

PS413 Specialized Studies in the Palestinian Question

Historical roots, political, economic, strategically, military and religious dimensions of the Palestine question through its pan-Arab perspective as well as its regional and international perspectives; a study of Zionist strategy; studies and researches to be carried out by the students in specific topics within the framework of the Palestine question.

PS414 :Political Studies(1)

Nature of the relations of some East- Asian countries at regional and international levels; special emphasis on the relations of those countries with the Arab World(e.g. China and the Arab World, or Japan and the Arab World etc.).

PS415 Political Studies (2) (Africa)

History of the Arab-African relations including historical and geographical dimensions (religious , cultural and intellectual awakening); emphasis on economic aspects of Arab-African relations particularly with regard to agricultural cooperation and joint security issues; Israeli role in Africa; African attitude towards Arab-Israeli conflict; future of Arab-African cooperation, and role of regional organizations therein.

PS416 :Political Studies (3) (Asia)

Nature of the relations of some East- Asian countries at regional and international levels; special emphasis on the relations of those countries with the Arab World(e.g. China and the Arab World, or Japan and the Arab World etc.).

PS422 Islamic Political Thought

Islamic political thought; roots and developments since the advent of Islam; nature and basis of Islamic political thought; Islam's outlook towards the state; the caliph: his choice; concept of authority in Islam; shura (consultation) and all political decision making process in the Islamic system.

PS431 Studies in Diplomacy

Concept of diplomacy and diplomats, development of diplomacy throughout the ages; international treaties for regulating diplomatic and consular affairs e.g. Vienna Convention which deals with diplomatic immunity, duties, rights, qualifications and privileges of diplomats; and ending their missions.

PS432 Advanced Studies in Human Rights

Relation between the state and the individual, and relations of the individual with the world order in terms of the individual-state relations (theories). concept of human rights ; the individual and the international system through the International Declaration of Human Rights, the American Declaration of Human Rights; the European Declaration of Human Rights; Islam and Human Rights and the draft charter of the Arab Individuals Human Rights.

PS442 Political Development and Modernization

Exposition and discussion of the theories of development and modernization in the group of concerned states; resulting issues and problems, with due attention paid to the pros and cons of the development and modernization process in developing countries; issues of backwardness, dependency, indebtedness, industrialization, culture, political participation, social integration and other matters positively or adversely affecting development processes.

PS 450 :Political Texts in English

Familiarizing the student with many political concepts and terms used in democracy, justice, English, equality, authority political participation ,etc.

PS491 Selected Topics in Political Science

Any political topic chosen by the instructor in coordination with the Head of 'the Department. Students are requested to carry out research under the title of the seminar itself. which is discussed by the course instructor.