

College of Southern Idaho

Social Sciences: Political Science BA/BS: 2025-2026

Advising Guide



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GENERAL EDUCATION to be taken at CSI

Course	Course Title	CR	
Written Communication			
ENGL 101	Writing/Rhetoric I	3	
ENGL 102	Writing/Rhetoric II	3	
Oral Communication			
COMM 101	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3	
Mathematical Ways of Knowing			
MATH 123 or above		3	
Scientific Ways of Knowing			
Complete 2 courses from different disciplines with 1 lab course:		4	
*See CSI catalog for list of CORE-Science options		3	
Humanistic and Artistic Ways of Knowing			
Complete 2 courses from different disciplines:		3	
*See CSI catalog for list of CORE-Humanities options		3	
Social and Behavioral Ways of Knowing			
Complete 2 courses from different disciplines:		3	
*See CSI catalog for list of CORE Social and Behavioral options		3	
Institutionally Designated			
*See CSI catalog for list of CORE Institutionally Designated options		6	
Associates Electives that meet LC State BA/BS Degree Requirements**			
CRIJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	
POLS 101	American National Government**	3	
POLS 221	Intro to International Relations**	3	
SPAN 101	Elementary Spanish I**	4	
SPAN 102	Elementary Spanish II**	4	
HIST 220	Introduction to Public History	3	

LC State Admissions

www.lcsc.edu/admissions or (208) 792-2378 admissions@lcsc.edu

Ask about Co-Admission/Co-Enrollment

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Major Requirements			
Course #	Course Name CSI	CR	
POLS 200	Social and Political Philosophy	3	
SS 385	Research Methods	3	
SS 499	Seminar in Social Science and History	3	
ANTH 386 or HIST 200 or SS 30	Ethnography or Keys to Historical Research or Statistical Methods	3	
Political Science Emphasis			
POLS 101	American National Government	3	
POLS 237	International Politics	3	
POLS 285	Comparative Government	3	
Select 15 credits of POLS numbered 300 or above		15	
Select 12 credits of HIST, JS, ANTH, PSYC, SOC, or SS numbered 200 or above; at least nine must be 300 level or above; at least 3 credits each of SOC, HIST, and ANTH		12	
Electives			
General Electives		27	
Graduation Requirements			
Credits that must be earned at LC State		32	
Upper division credits required		36	
TOTAL CSI & LC State Semester Credits		120	

Notes:



Complete all required/elective coursework for the AA degree at College of Southern Idaho

- This advising guide is based on the completion of an appropriate Associate's degree (typically an AA or AS) with additions made to meet lower division requirements.
- 32 Residency (LC State) credits required for graduation.
- 36 credits must be upper division.
- LC State classes available online (asynchronous) or virtual remote (meet at set times via video conferencing).
- This is just a guide. Please check with your advisor to ensure you earn at least 32 credits at LC State and have completed 36 upper division credits