# LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

**Bachelor of Arts in Government**
*Politics and Policy Concentration*
2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

**Important**: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations or cognates.

## GENERAL EDUCATION/ FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS REQUIREMENTS (43-46 hours)

| Course | | Hrs | Sem | Grade |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Communication & Information Literacy (15 hours)[1]** | | | | |
| ENGL 101 | Composition & Rhetoric | 3 | | |
| | Communications Elective | 3 | | |
| | Composition Elective | 3 | | |
| | Information Literacy Elective | 3 | | |
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| **Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning (4-7 hours)[1]** | | | | |
| UNIV 101 | Foundational Skills | 1 | | |
| MATH ___ | Math Elective (MATH 114 or higher) | 3 | | |
| | Technology Competency[2] | 0-3 | | |
| **Critical Thinking (5 hours)[1]** | | | | |
| RLGN 105 | Intr Bwvw/Contemp Moral Issues[3] | 2 | | |
| | Critical Thinking Elective | 3 | | |
| **Civic & Global Engagement (5 hours)[1]** | | | | |
| EVAN 101 | Evangelism & Christian Life[3] | 2 | | |
| | Cultural Studies Elective | 3 | | |
| **Social & Scientific Inquiry (6 hours)[1]** | | | | |
| | Natural Science Elective | 3 | | |
| | Social Science Elective | 3 | | |
| **Christianity & Contexts (8 hours)[1]** | | | | |
| BIBL 105 | Old Testament Survey | 2 | | |
| BIBL 110 | New Testament Survey | 2 | | |
| THEO 201 | Theology Survey I[3] | 2 | | |
| THEO 202 | Theology Survey II[3] | 2 | | |

## LIBERAL ARTS FOCUS (15 hours)[4]

| Course | | Hrs | Sem | Grade |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Language Elective | 3 | | |
| | Language Elective | 3 | | |
| | Language Elective | 3 | | |
| | Language Elective | 3 | | |
| | Integrative Elective[5] | 3 | | |

### Major Foundational Courses (3-12 hours)

| Course | | Hrs | Sem | Grade |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GEOG 200 | Introduction to Geography[6] | 3 | | |
| GOVT 200 | Constitutional Govt. & Free Enterprise[6] | 3 | | |
| GOVT 220 | American Government[6] | 3 | | |
| MATH 201 | Introduction to Probability & Statistics[6] | 3 | | |

## MAJOR

| Course | | Hrs | Sem | Grade |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Core (18 hours) | | | | |
| GOVT 230 | Public Policy Research & Writing | 3 | | |
| GOVT 330 | Introduction to Comparative Politics | 3 | | |
| GOVT 350 | Political Economy & Public Policy | 3 | | |
| GOVT 421 | American Constitutional History | 3 | | |
| GOVT 425 | American Foreign Policy | 3 | | |
| GOVT 490 | Political Theory | 3 | | |
| Concentration (39 hours) | | | | |
| GOVT 210 | Introduction to Political Science | 3 | | |
| GOVT 301 | Ancient Political & Economic Ideas | 3 | | |
| GOVT 302 | Modern Political & Economic Ideas | 3 | | |
| GOVT 320 | American Exec. Processes/ Institutions | 3 | | |
| GOVT 321 | American Judicial System | 3 | | |
| GOVT 322 | American Legislative System | 3 | | |
| GOVT 324 | Applied Ethics in Public Policy | 3 | | |
| GOVT 327 | State & Local Government | 3 | | |
| GOVT 329 | American Exceptionalism | 3 | | |
| GOVT 340 | International Relations | 3 | | |
| GOVT 458 | Public Policy Development in the Political Environment | 3 | | |
| GOVT 474 | American Political Parties | 3 | | |
| GOVT 492 | Senior Seminar | 3 | | |

## Free Electives (0-2 hours)

| Course | | Hrs | Sem | Grade |
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**Graduation Requirements**

- **120** Total Hours
- **2.0** Overall grade point average
- **30** Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all courses in the major
- **25%** Of major and concentration taken through Liberty University
- **30** Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date
- **CSER** All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded

**Notes**

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

[1] Refer to the list of approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened before enrolling in foundational skills requirements

[2] All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course; refer to www.liberty.edu/computerassessment for more information

[3] Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN 105 & EVAN 101 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirements of THEO 201 & THEO 202 waived

[4] Must be the same language, 6 hours must be 200-400 level

[5] Please refer to the list of Integrative Courses at www.liberty.edu/liberal-arts-focus before enrolling in Liberal Arts Focus

[6] Courses may also fulfill select General Education Requirements. Please refer to the list of approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened

*Suggested Course Sequence on second page*

# SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

## FRESHMAN YEAR

| First Semester | | Second Semester | |
|---|---|---|---|
| BIBL 105 | 2 | BIBL 110 | 2 |
| ENGL 101 | 3 | RLGN 105 | 2 |
| UNIV 101 | 1 | Communications Elective[1] | 3 |
| Cultural Studies Elective[1] [GOVT 200] | 3 | Composition Elective[1] | 3 |
| Language Elective[2] | 3 | Information Lit. Elective[1] [GEOG 200] | 3 |
| CSER | 0 | Language Elective[2] | 3 |
| Total | 12 | CSER | 0 |
| | | Total | 16 |

## SOPHOMORE YEAR

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| EVAN 101 | 2 | THEO 202 | 2 |
| THEO 201 | 2 | Critical Thinking Elective[1] | 3 |
| Language Elective[2] | 3 | Language Elective[2] | 3 |
| MATH Elective[1] [MATH 201] | 3 | Technology Competency[3] | 0-3 |
| Social Sciences Elective[1] | 3 | GOVT 210 | 3 |
| GOVT 220 | 3 | GOVT 230 | 3 |
| CSER | 0 | CSER | 0 |
| Total 16 | | Total 14-17 | |

## JUNIOR YEAR

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Information Literacy Elective[1] | 3 | GOVT 320 | 3 |
| GOVT 301 | 3 | GOVT 322 | 3 |
| GOVT 302 | 3 | GOVT 327 | 3 |
| GOVT 340 | 3 | GOVT 330 | 3 |
| CSER | 0 | GOVT 350 | 3 |
| Total | 12 | CSER | 0 |
| | | Total | 15 |

## SENIOR YEAR

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Integrative Elective[4] | 3 | Natural Science Elective[1] | 3 |
| GOVT 321 | 3 | GOVT 324 | 3 |
| GOVT 421 | 3 | GOVT 329 | 3 |
| GOVT 425 | 3 | GOVT 458 | 3 |
| GOVT 474 | 3 | GOVT 492 | 3 |
| GOVT 490 | 3 | CSER | 0 |
| CSER | 0 | Total | 15 |
| Total 16 | | | |

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