POLITICAL SCIENCE PHD

Degree Requirements

The following requirements are in addition to, or further elaborate upon, those requirements outlined in The Graduate School Policy Guide (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/tgs/academic-policies-procedures).

PhD

Total Units Required: 18

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<td>POLI SCI 403-0</td>
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Other courses approved by the Director of Graduate Studies: 16 units

¹ Political Theory students are occasionally exempt from the requirement to take POLI SCI 403-0 Introduction to Probability and Statistics and POLI SCI 405-0 Linear Models.

Other PhD Degree Requirements

• **Research Paper Requirement**: Scholarly paper in first or second year
• **Second Field Requirement** (https://www.polisci.northwestern.edu/graduate/program-areas): Five courses in a student’s second field, or optional qualifying examination
• **Examination**: One written qualifying examination in student’s first field; optional examination in student’s second field
• **Prospectus**: Dissertation research design presented during the quarter after passing the qualifying examination
• **Final Evaluations**: Oral defense of dissertation
• **Other**: Teaching requirement begins in second year in an undergraduate course