Political Science Major Approved Courses
Spring 2027
(as of October 2026)

➢ Classes cross-listed with POLS and a different department are counted towards major requirements as POLS electives regardless of which section you are enrolled in, cross listed sections are indicated on list with CL designation
➢ W = Continued Writing GER = 4 credit hours
➢ R = "Repeatable" – it has nothing to do with the IS major or the RSCH requirement
➢ First-Year Seminars (courses in any department designated 190, e.g. POLS 190) are open only to students in their first two semesters at Emory
➢ POLS 285 and 385 are course designations for "special topics" courses. Students may take multiple POLS 285 or POLS 385 courses for major credit.

Theory Requirement:

- POLS 150 Foundations of American Democracy
- POLS 201 Classical Political Thought
- POLS 202 Modern Political Thought
- POLS 490R Advanced Seminar: Aristotle's Ethics (Registration by permission only, juniors and seniors only)

Research Requirement:

➢Note: POLS 387, POLS 399, and POLS 497R do NOT count toward the RSCH requirement

- POLS 313W Research: International Organizations
- POLS 394-1 AI Era Campaign and Elections
- POLS 394-2 Imagining Democracy Lab (Registration by permission only)
- POLS 494-1W Research Topics: Illicit Organizations
- POLS 494-2W Research Topics: Politics and Punishment
- POLS 494-3W Research Topics: Pol of Public Health: COVID
- POLS 495BW Research: Honors Tutorial (Registration by permission only, Honors students only)