Political Science - PSCI (B.A.)

This is a recommended program of study for students planning to transfer to the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences to earn a Bachelor of Arts, Major - Political Science (PSCI) with no Major Concentration or with Major Concentrations in Legal Studies, National Security Studies or Political Theory

Recommended VCCS Courses	VT Credits 1st. Sem	VT Credits 2nd. Sem	Virginia Tech Course Application
First Year			
ENG 111, 112	3	3	ENGL 1105, 1106
Quantitative and Computational Thinking[2]	3	3	Quantitative and Computational Thinking Courses
PLS 135 or (211+212)[1]	3	3	PSCI 1014 or (PSCI 1014+PSCI 1XXX)
Reasoning in the Natural Sciences[2]	4	4	Reasoning in the Natural Sciences Courses
PLS 140	3		PSCI 1024
PLS Elective		3	PSCI Elective
TOTAL	16	16	
Second Year			
PLS 241	3		PSCI 2054
PLS 200		3	PSCI 2014
Critical Thinking in the Humanities[2]	3	3	Critical Thinking in the Humanities Courses
Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts[2]	3	3	Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts Courses (6 credit: 3 design + 3 arts)
Transferable Electives[3]	6	3	Electives
TOTAL	15	12	

Footnotes

[1] Students must take both courses to receive credit for PSCI 1014
[2] See VCCS General Education Requirements: Pathways Core Concepts.
[3] See VCCS Transferable courses at VCCS and Richard Bland Transferable Courses

NOTE: Only six credits of VCCS PLS courses which transfer as PSCI 1XXX, 2XXX or IS 2XXX can be used to fulfill PSCI major elective requirements.

Please be in contact with the CLAHS contact listed in the Transfer Guide if you have questions about the Pathways Core Concepts and VCCS courses that can be used to fulfill them. Also check this listing often, as curriculum for the Pathways for each major is being finalized.

Foreign Language: The minimum requirement may be met in high school by completing 3 units of a single foreign or classical language credit or American Sign Language credit. The requirement may also be met by one of the following before or after transfer admission:
· Those who have taken 2 years of a single foreign language in high school can complete the 1106 equivalent course at their current college in the same language as taken in high school or by taking the 1106 course at Virginia Tech.
· Students who have not completed two units of a single foreign language in high school MUST earn six semester hours of college-level foreign or classical language credit (ex: 1105-1106). These six hours are in addition to the 120 hours required for graduation.