

SAMPLE 4-YEAR PLAN: Law B.A.

The Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice and Organizational Leadership offers the following four-year degree plan for earning a B.A. in Law. Please note: One's path to graduation may vary based on factors such as college credit earned in high school, choice of general education electives, and placement in English and mathematics. For questions about political science, please contact us at psc@nku.edu or 859-572-5322.

FIRST YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<p>Join the College Democrats or College Republicans to gain campaign experience.</p> <p>Have a good time, but get up and go to class!</p> <p>Don't get behind on your general education or core major requirements - that's the most common reason for falling behind in your four-year program.</p>	<p>Gen Ed: Self and Society; Individual and Society: PSC 100 American Politics³ or Global Viewpoints: PSC 102 Comparative Politics, PSC 103 International Politics or PSC 110 Political Ideas ^{2,3}</p> <p>Gen Ed: Communication; Written¹</p> <p>Gen Ed: Self and Society; Cultural Pluralism¹</p> <p>Gen Ed: Culture and Creativity¹</p> <p>Gen Ed: Scientific and Quantitative Inquiry; Natural Sciences with or without lab¹</p>	<p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3-4</p>	<p>Gen Ed: Self and Society; Individual and Society: PSC 100 American Politics³ or Global Viewpoints: PSC 102 Comparative Politics, PSC 103 International Politics or PSC 110 Political Ideas ^{2,3}</p> <p>Gen Ed: Communication; Oral¹</p> <p>Gen Ed: Communication; Written II¹</p> <p>Gen Ed: Scientific and Quantitative Inquiry; Mathematics and Statistics¹;</p> <p>General Education: Self and Society; Individual and Society: JUS 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice¹</p>
	TOTAL	15-16	TOTAL	15
SECOND YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<p>Plan on finishing all PSC core requirements by the end of your second year or early in your third year.</p> <p>Keep up your grades to join an honor society. Xi Omega is the political science honor society. Phi Alpha Delta is the pre-law honor society.</p> <p>Consider a minor in international studies, pre-law, or public administration.</p>	<p>Gen Ed: Self and Society; Individual and Society: PSC 100 American Politics or Global Viewpoints: PSC 102 Comparative Politics, PSC 103 International Politics or PSC 110 Political Ideas ^{2,3}</p> <p>Gen Ed: Self and Society; Individual and Society: PSC 100 American Politics or Global Viewpoints: PSC 102 Comparative Politics, PSC 103 International Politics or PSC 110 Political Ideas ^{2,3}</p> <p>Gen Ed: Natural Sciences with or without lab¹</p> <p>JUS 210 Legal Research³</p> <p>PSC 204 Introduction to Law³</p>	<p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3-4</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p>	<p>ENG 347 Technical Writing³</p> <p>Gen Ed: Culture and Creativity¹</p> <p>PSC 375 Perspectives on Law³</p> <p>LAW 435 Legal Communication and Persuasion³</p> <p>minor or focus elective ⁴300 level or above</p>
	TOTAL	15-16	TOTAL	15

THIRD YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	Consider an internship or study abroad experience during your third year. Taking winter intersession and summer courses may allow you to graduate in fewer than four years.	LAW 300 The American Legal System I ³	3	PSC 307 Constitutional Law ³ (or LAW 350 The American Constitution ³ if taken in fall)
Minor or focus elective ⁵ 300 level or above		3	LAW 301 The American Legal System II ³	3
BA Law Guided Elective 1 of 8		3	minor or focus elective ⁴	3
BA Law Guided Elective 2 of 8		3	minor or focus elective ⁴	3
BA Law Guided Elective 3 of 8		3	BA Law Guided Elective 4 of 8	3
TOTAL		15	TOTAL	15
FOURTH YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	BA Law Guided Elective 5 of 8	3	minor or focus elective ⁴	3
Attend career, graduate, and law school information events. Be sure to submit a Degree Program Certification for each major, minor, and focus you have. These are due two semesters before you intend to graduate (March for December graduation; September for May graduation).	BA Law Guided Elective 6 of 8	3	minor or focus elective ⁴	3
	BA Law Guided Elective 7 of 8	3	minor or focus elective ⁴	3
	BA Law Guided Elective 8 of 8	3	minor or focus elective ⁴	2
	Elective	3	minor or focus elective 300 level or above	3
	TOTAL	15	TOTAL	14
	GRAND TOTAL OF CREDITS			120
<p>Notes: Following this plan will allow you to complete your B.A. degree in law in four years (eight semesters), assuming you meet performance expectations in all courses. If you choose to earn your degree over a period longer than four years, the basic sequence of courses shown above will still apply in most cases. Please note the program's policy on double dipping when choosing electives, minors or area of focus programs.</p> <p>¹ Meets university general education requirement.</p> <p>² PSC core courses that meets university general education requirement. Note: Only two PSC courses total may apply toward fulfilling general education requirements.</p> <p>³ Core course requirements for the B.A. major.</p> <p>⁴ The university requires that each student declares a major as well as a minor or area of focus.</p>				