

HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE B.A.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Students will assess the history of the United States and identify their roles as active citizens in our country's political institutions.
2. Students will apply the qualitative and/or quantitative research methods, effectively using primary and secondary sources, interviews, libraries, and databases (as appropriate).
3. Students will demonstrate their communication skills by organizing and explaining their thoughts clearly and coherently both orally and in writing.
4. Students will develop critical historical and political analysis, including incorporating diverse voices into existing frameworks of historical and political theory.
5. Students will integrate coursework with their Christian faith by applying a biblical lens to historical and political analysis.

Requirements

Code	Title	Units
	Core Curriculum Requirements (https://catalog.vanguard.edu/interdisciplinary-offerings/core-curriculum/) ¹	41
	History/Political Science Major Requirements ²	57
	General Electives	22
	Total Units	120

History and Political Science Major

Code	Title	Units
Survey of the Field:		
HIST-156C	U.S. History ²	3
HIST-203C	World Civilizations I ²	3
HIST-204C	World Civilization II	3
POLS-155C	American Democracy	3
HIST/POLS-262	Research Methods in Hist/Poli Science ^{2,3}	3
SOC-265C	Introduction to Behavioral Statistics ^{2,7}	3
Electives: Upper division U.S. History and Political Science⁴		
Select nine units from the following:		9
HIST-306	Chicano History	
HIST-316	Teaching History/Multicultural Setting	
HIST-350	U.S. Military History	
HIST-356	History and Geography of California	
HIST-360	Women in American History	
HIST-363	America From Colony to Nation	
HIST-373	U.S. 1945-1963: Good Old Days	
HIST-374	U.S. Since 1963: Contemp America History History	
CHIS-420	History of Pentecostalism	
HIST-425	Topics/Amer Relg Hist:	
HIST-450	History Teaching Internship ⁵	
HIST-454	History and Political Science Internship ⁵	

HIST-457	Research Assistantship ⁵
HIST-469	Special Topic: U.S.:
POLS-304	Political Psychology
POLS-330	Race, Identity & Politics
POLS-331	Immigrants in American Politics
POLS-332	Gender & Politics
POLS-345	U.S. Foreign Policy
POLS-361	Political Parties, Campaigns & Elections
POLS-370	Constitutional Law
POLS-446	Public Policy Issues
POLS-450	Political Science Teaching Internship ⁵
POLS-454	History/Political Science Internship ⁵
POLS-456	U.S. Congress and Representation
POLS-457	Research Assistantship ⁵
POLS-469	Special Topic: U.S.:
POLS-472	U.S. Presidents and the Presidency

Electives: Upper division non-U.S. History and Political Science⁴

Select nine units from the following courses; at least three units must be non-Western or World History:⁶ 9

HIST-302	Twentieth-Century Europe
HIST-317	Modern China ⁶
HIST-319	Imperial China ⁶
HIST-322	History of England
HIST-323	The British Empire ⁶
HIST-326	Latin America
HIST-334	History of Mexico
CHIS-340	Late Roman-Byzantine Empire
HIST-345	The Birth of Modern Europe
HIST-346	Ancient Greece and Rome
HIST-358	The Revolutionary Atlantic ⁶
HIST-366	The History of Human Rights ⁶
HIST-428	The History of Childhood ⁶
HIST-450	History Teaching Internship ⁵
HIST-451	Renaissance and Reformation
HIST-454	History and Political Science Internship ⁵
HIST-457	Research Assistantship ⁵
HIST-470	Special Topic: Non-U.S.
POLS-324	Comparative Political Thought
POLS-438	Comparative Politics ⁶
POLS-450	Political Science Teaching Internship ⁵
POLS-454	History/Political Science Internship ⁵
POLS-457	Research Assistantship ⁵
POLS-470	Special Topic: Non-U.S.:
POLS-482	International Politics

Electives: Upper division History or Political Science

Select 18 units from the courses listed above (unrestricted). 18

Capstone Course:

HIST-490C	Senior Seminar	3
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Total Units 57



1

Number of units required from the Core Curriculum not included in the major requirements below.

2

Twelve of the 57 units count toward Core Curriculum

3

Satisfies ENGL-220C Researched Writing Core Curriculum requirement. If ENGL-220C Researched Writing was taken before a History/Political Science major was declared, it will be an acceptable substitution.

4

A minimum of six units in History and six units in Political Science must be part of the upper division electives.

5

Maximum six hours count toward the 36-hours content requirement

6

Satisfies the three units of the non-Western or World History requirement.

7

Satisfies the Core Math Requirement.

An exit interview is required of all graduating seniors.

Four Year Plan

Disclaimer: This *sample Four Year Plan* is provided as a guide for the recommended sequencing of courses. Vanguard University requires that students complete a minimum of 120 units of required course work as outlined on the Requirements tab in order to receive a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science, or Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. It is the student's responsibility to confirm with the department the course rotation before enrolling in courses. If applicable, please note the footnotes at the bottom of the page for additional information related to courses listed in a particular year and term. Questions, contact the Department of History and Political Science.

Study Abroad Participation: Students interested in participating in the university's Study Abroad programs are encouraged to reach out to the Global Education and Outreach Office (studyabroad@vanguard.edu) for more information and collaboration in their academic course planning. Students using Education and Training Benefits through the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs are encouraged to also reach out to the School Certifying Official (veteranscertifyingofficial@vanguard.edu) for more information regarding how benefits can be applied.

Course	Title	Units
Year 1 Term 1		
CORE-100C	Cornerstone	1
KINE-148C	Lifetime Fitness and Wellness Lecture	3
ENGL-120C	Persuasive Writing	3
HIST-156C	U.S. History	3
THEO-101C	Foundations of Christian Life	3

SOC-PLCR	Social Science Core Curriculum Req'm't	3
Units		16
Year 1 Term 2		
NT-101C	New Testament Survey	3
POLS-155C	American Democracy	3
SOC-PLCR	Social Science Core Curriculum Req'm't	3
SOC-265C	Introduction to Behavioral Statistics	3
FINA-PLCR	Fine Arts Core Curriculum Requirement	3
Units		15
Year 2 Term 1		
HIST-203C	World Civilizations I	3
HIST-262	Research Methods in Hist/Poli Science	3
COMM-201C	Speech Composition and Presentation	3
ENGL-230C	Literature and the Human Experience	3
NSCI-PLCR	Science Lec/Lab Requirement	4
Units		16
Year 2 Term 2		
HIST-204C	World Civilization II	3
OT-201C	Old Testament Survey	3
HSPS-PLHD9	History Political Science Elective 9 Uni	9
Units		15
Year 3 Term 1		
THEO-300C	Developing a Christian World View	3
HSPS-PLHD6	History Political Science Electives	6
ELCT-PLHD6	Electives 6 Units	6
Units		15
Year 3 Term 2		
HSPS-PLHD9	History Political Science Elective 9 Uni	9
ELCT-PLHD6	Electives 6 Units	6
Units		15
Year 4 Term 1		
CHIS-400C	Christian Heritage	3
HSPS-PLHD9	History Political Science Elective 9 Uni	9
ELCT-PLHD3A	General Elective 3 Units	3
Units		15
Year 4 Term 2		
HIST-490C	Senior Seminar	3
HSPS-PLHD3	History/Political Science Elective 3u	3
ELCT-PLHD7	Electives 7 Units	7
Units		13
Total Units		120

