

POLITICAL SCIENCE

COLLEGE OF SANTA FE (CSF) offers a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Political Science through its Evening & Weekend Degree Programs. Special features include:

- ♦ Year-round classes on evenings and weekends
- ♦ Accelerated nine-week terms for most class offerings
- ♦ Small classes that emphasize seminar and discussion formats
- ♦ Individual attention from academic advisors
- ♦ Dedicated and experienced faculty
- ♦ A strong foundation in the liberal arts

The Political Science program prepares students for careers in public service or for graduate study in political science, law, criminal justice, public administration, sociology or social work.

Students majoring in Political Science may select a concentration in Criminal Justice or Public Policy & Administration, or they may tailor a program of courses in the political and social sciences to meet their individual needs. All courses emphasize critical thinking, creative problem solving and the central importance of ethical values in the study and practice of politics. The program is particularly responsive to our multi-cultural environment and the concerns of women and ethnic minorities.

FACULTY

Evening and weekend classes are taught by full-time College of Santa Fe faculty and by adjuncts who are experienced professionals in their fields. Instructors utilize an array of contemporary instructional methodologies and innovative teaching styles in their courses. Course curricula are designed to emphasize the crucial balance between theory and practice.

LIBERAL TRANSFER POLICY

Many students entering the evening and weekend program have earned credit from prior college experiences. CSF generally accepts transfer credit from other accredited colleges and universities for non-remedial academic work with an earned grade of "C-" or better.

PRIOR LEARNING PORTFOLIO

Prior Learning Portfolio (PLP) is a two-credit independent study course that offers students the opportunity to earn credit for college-level learning gained through life and work experience. With the guidance of a faculty advisor, students prepare a portfolio to describe and document their learning in detail. They then submit the portfolio for review by faculty evaluators to determine credit earned. Students may earn up to 48 credit hours toward their degree through PLP.

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I. LIBERAL ARTS CORE (36 credits)

HUM 355 Integrating Seminar (3)

Humanities / Fine Arts (9)
(maximum of 3 credits/category)
Philosophy, Religion, Literature,
Non-applied Fine Arts

Social Science (6)
(maximum of 3 credits/category)
Sociology, Psychology, History,
Political Science, Anthropology

Science / Mathematics / Computer Principles (9)
(3 credits/category)
Math above remedial level, Science, and
either Computer Principles or three CTB
series courses

English Composition (*non-remedial*) (6)

Speech (3)

II. CONCENTRATIONS

CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONCENTRATION (45 credits*)

POLITICAL SCIENCE (30 credits)

PSC 353 Constitutional Law (3)
PSC 356 Mediation & Conflict Resolution (3)
PSC 330-339 Topics in Criminal Justice (9)
PSC 470-479 Topics in Public Administration (6)
Other Political Science courses (9)

SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 credits) *(including Economics)*

**Minimum of 30 upper-division credits*

GENERAL CONCENTRATION (36 credits*)

**Minimum of 36 credits in the Social Sciences
including a minimum of 24 credits in Political Science
and a minimum of 24 upper-division credits*

PUBLIC POLICY & ADMINISTRATION CONCENTRATION (45 credits*)

POLITICAL SCIENCE (30 credits)

PSC 470-479 Topics in Public Administration (9)
Other Political Science courses (21)

BUSINESS & SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 credits**)

***Business and Social Sciences courses to total 15
credits*

Business (6-12 credits)

Select six-twelve credits from the following:

BUS 312 Human Resource Management (3)

BUS 313 Labor Relations (3)

BUS 410 Organizational Behavior (3)

BUS 411 Organizational Theory & Design (3)

Social Sciences (3-9 credits)

Select three-nine credits

(including Economics)

**Minimum of 30 upper-division credits*

III. ELECTIVES (47-56 credits)

TOTAL CREDITS FOR DEGREE 128