

POLITICAL SCIENCE (BA) ADVANCED ENTRY

Bachelor of Arts BA (Honours) Requirements

To graduate with your BA Honours from the Faculty of Social Science and Humanities (FSSH) the following criteria must be met:

- Successfully complete 120 credit hours (including transfer credit hours)
- Achieve a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA
- Complete all major requirements as outlined for your major (as per the [academic calendar](#) and program map below)

Transfer Credits: Advanced Entry students receive specific transfer credits. To avoid duplication, please view your transfer credits on your [MyOntarioTech](#) unofficial transcript (under Student Records) before choosing your elective courses.

Key Progression Courses: We strongly encourage students to complete courses in the order/year they are listed where possible. Failure to do so may lead to unexpected delays in the completion of your degree requirements due to prerequisites. Key progression courses for your program include:
Year 3: POSC 2000U Canadian Politics, POSC 2100U Global Politics, POSC 2200U Fundamental of Policy Theory and SSCI 2900U Research Methods

Experiential Learning: Students with fourth year standing and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher are eligible to participate in a semester-long work experience through a practicum (SSCI 4098U) or internship (SSCI 4103U). Pre-placement requirements will begin in the winter of third year, please refer to the [FSSH Experiential Learning Office](#) for more information.

Elective Definitions:

POSC Elective*: Any non-required 3000 or 4000 level POSC course, plus non-POSC options. A full list can be found in the [Academic Calendar](#). Note – not all courses will be offered every year, please plan accordingly for prerequisites.

FSSH Elective:** any non-required course offered by FSSH from the following subject codes: COMM, CRMN, FPSY, INDG, LBAT, PSYC and SSCI.

Important Notes:

This program map helps you to track your degree progression during your studies at Ontario Tech and can be used as your guide for course selection and planning. Your Academic Advisor can assist you with reviewing and interpreting your degree requirements, we encourage you to meet with your Academic Advisor at least once throughout your studies to ensure you are on track to complete your program as expected. Please ensure your familiarity with the degree requirements in the Academic Calendar and review your transcript to verify accuracy.

Scan this QR code for more information, and to contact your academic advisor!



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Year 3	One of: POSC 2000U -Canadian Politics or POSC 2100U - Global Politics	POSC 2200U – Fundamentals of Policy Theory	POSC 3000U – Policy, Democracy and Governance	POSC 3800U – Capitalism and Socialism	SSCI 2900U – Research Methods
	Three of: POSC 3100U – Political Economy of Global Development or POSC 3101U – Inequality, Environment and Development or POSC 3102U – Race & Racism in Political Culture or POSC 3300U – Building Sustainable Communities or POSC 3301U – Eco-Justice or POSC 3302U – Environment and Globalization or POSC 3600U – Politics of Education in Canada or POSC 3700U – Technology, Politics and Social Theory or POSC 3750U – American Politics and Political Culture or POSC 3751U – Media, War & Conflict		Two of: POSC 3201U – Rural Communities or POSC 3203U – Urban Development or POSC 3500U – Equity Policy or POSC 3501U – Politics and Poverty or POSC 3601U – The Politics of Health or POSC 3602U – Labour in the Global Economy or POSC 3603U –The Politics of Housing		
Year 4	One of: POSC 4005U Independent Study or SSCI 4101U Honours Thesis I or POSC 4104U – Directed Research or POSC approved elective*	POSC 4010U/SSCI 4010U – Policy Development	POSC Elective*	One of: SSCI 4098U – Practicum or SSCI 4103U - Internship or POSC approved elective*	FSSH Elective**
	POSC 4000U – International Politics & Policy	One of: POSC 4005U - Independent Study or SSCI 4101U Honours Thesis II or POSC Approved elective*	POSC 4300U- Special Topics in Political Science	FSSH Elective (2000-level or higher)**	FSSH Elective**

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*POSC approved electives

- [COMM 3310U – Communication, Communities and Social Change](#)
- [COMM 3510U – Work in the Digital Age](#)
- [COMM 3720U – Communicating Identities](#)
- [COMM 4610U – Communication and Conflict Resolution](#)
- [CRMN 3040U – Restorative Justice](#)
- [CRMN 3056U – Race-ing Justice](#)
- [LGLS 2940U – Legal Research Methods](#)
- [LGLS 3230U – Law and Globalization](#)
- [LGLS 3300U – Disability and the Law](#)
- [LGLS 3310U – Indigenous Peoples, Law and the State in Canada](#)
- [LGLS 3320U – Race, Ethnicity and the Law](#)
- [LGLS 3520U – Law and Technology](#)
- [LGLS 3620U – Human Rights Mediation](#)
- [LGLS 4040U – Law and the Environment](#)
- [LGLS 4070U – Public Governance through Law](#)
- [LGLS 4200U – Law and Social Change](#)
- [SSCI 2910U – Data Analysis](#)
- [SSCI 2920U – Qualitative Research Methods](#)
- [SSCI 3910U – Advanced Data Analysis](#)
- [SSCI 3920U – Advanced Qualitative Methods](#)
- [SSCI 4020U – Leadership and Administration](#)