

*This plan will
take effect in
August 2026.*

Three-Year Plan

Political Science (BA) Early Entry to Duncan School of Law

The following is a four-year plan of study that will go into effect fall 2026. This plan should be used in conjunction with the University catalog and in consultation with the faculty advisor. Transfer students should contact their advisor if they have questions regarding transfer credit. Courses listed on the four-year plan may be taken in other semesters, based on availability and course placement. This plan meets LMU's general education (Liberal Arts Common Core) requirements, major requirements and 300/400 level course requirements.

First Year

Fall

UACT 100 Strategies for College Success ^a	1
LNCN 100 Lincoln's Life and Legacy ^a	1
ENGL 101 Composition I ^a	3
POLS 100 American National Government ^b	3
History Requirement ^a	3
Foreign Language I ^a	3

TOTAL 14

Spring

ENGL 102 Composition II ^a	3
POLS 220 Intro to Public Administration ^b	3
History Requirement ^a	3
Foreign Language II ^a	3
Science Requirement ^a	4

TOTAL 16

Second Year

Fall

POLS 250 International Relations ^b	3
POLS 240 Introduction to Political Ideas ^b	3
ECON 211, 212, or 350 ^d	3
Mathematics Requirement ^a	3
PHIL 100 or 200 ^{ad}	3

TOTAL 15

Spring

COMM 200 Fundamentals of Speech Communication ^a	3
CRIM 280 Statistical Methods for the Social Sciences ^c	3
POLS 300/400 Level Elective ^b	3
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UACT 224: Pre-Law Seminar ^b	1

TOTAL 16

Third Year

Fall

CIVX 300 American Civics ^a	2
ENGL 240 or 250 ^a	3
Elective 300/400 Level	3
POLS 325 State and Local Government ^b	3
Fine Arts/Humanities Requirement ^a	3
Elective 300/400 Level	3

TOTAL 17

Spring

POLS 497 Political Science Seminar ^b	2
POLS 300/400 Level Elective ^d	3
POLS 300/400 Level Elective ^b	3
Elective 300/400 Level	3
Elective 300/400 Level	3

TOTAL 14

Fourth Year – At LMU Duncan School of Law

Fall

LAW 1011 Civil Procedure I	3
LAW 1021 Contracts and Sales	3
LAW 1061 Criminal Law	3
LAW 1052 Legal Communication I	2
LAW 1001 Legal Foundations I	1
LAW 1051 Legal Research I	1
LAW 1041 Torts I	3

TOTAL 16

Spring

LAW 1012 Civil Procedure II	3
LAW 1053 Legal Communication II	3
LAW 1052 Legal Research II	1
LAW 1031 Property I	3
LAW 1008 The Successful Lawyer	2
LAW 1042 Torts II	3

TOTAL 15

TOTAL 123

a = General Education or Degree Requirement

b = Major Requirement
c = Collateral requirement
d = Recommended General Education Requirement of Guided Elective
January 2026

Political Science Course Offerings

POLS 100 American Government: National	3	POLS Major Requirements
POLS 220 Introduction to Public Administration	3	
POLS 240 Introduction to Political Ideas	3	Required Courses
POLS 250 Introduction to International Relations	3	POLS 100: American Government: National
POLS 320 Comparative Politics	3	POLS 220: Introduction to Public Administration
POLS 322 Introduction to Public Policy	3	POLS 240: Introduction to Political Ideas
POLS 324 Law and the Judicial System	3	POLS 250: Introduction to International Relations
POLS 325 State and Local Government	3	CRIM 280: Statistics for CJ and Soc Science
POLS 331 Introduction to Constitutional Law	3	POLS 325: State and Local Government
POLS 332 Politics and the Legislative Process	3	POLS 497: Seminar in Political Science
POLS 335 The Presidency	3	
POLS 350 American Foreign and Security Policy	3	Upper-Level Major Electives
POLS 441 Liberal Democracy and Its Critics	3	36 or more 300/400 level courses
POLS 497 Political Science Seminar	3	
POLS 498 Internship	3	

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