

**CHECKLIST OF REQUIREMENTS FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE
Ph.D. DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

[FOR ALL Ph.D. STUDENTS ENTERING FALL 2005 OR LATER, AND FOR THOSE Ph.D. STUDENTS WHO ENTERED THE PROGRAM EARLIER BUT WHO CHOOSE TO COMPLETE THEIR DEGREES FOLLOWING THIS REVISED SET OF REQUIREMENTS]

Candidate: _____
Last Name, First Name

I. Course of Study Requirement

Students must complete 60 graduate credits in political science or fields related to political science. Students are expected to acquire special competence in at least two fields of political science, and to designate one of these fields a major field and the other a minor. Students must successfully complete 3 courses in two fields other than their major or minor field with a grade of B or better. This requirement can be met by completing the 3 courses in the Writing Politics specialization with a grade of B or better. Students who neither major nor minor in political theory must take 1 course in political theory. Courses that are cross-listed are counted only once in meeting any requirement. Students are also required to successfully complete five courses at the 80000 level. These courses may be in any area of political science.

Total number of credits successfully completed: _____

Political theory requirement successfully completed (if relevant): _____
Course Number Date Grade

80000-level graduate courses successfully completed:

1. _____
Course number and title Semester completed Grade

2. _____
Course number and title Semester completed Grade

3. _____
Course number and title Semester completed Grade

4. _____
Course number and title Semester completed Grade

5. _____
Course number and title Semester completed Grade

Distribution requirement:

Field	Course Number and Grade	Course Number and Grade	Course Number and Grade
American Politics			
Comparative Politics			
International Relations			
Political Theory			
Public Policy			

II. Tools of Research Requirement

Students must demonstrate competence in a language other than English (by passing an exam or by obtaining a grade of B or better in an appropriate language course).

Students are advised to complete at least one course in quantitative or qualitative research methods.

A. Foreign language exam successfully completed: _____
Language Date

or

Appropriate language course successfully completed with grade of B or better:

Course	Semester completed	Grade
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B. Proficiency in research methods [Advisable but not required]:

Course in quantitative or qualitative research methods successfully completed:

Course	Semester completed	Grade
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III. First Examination Requirement

Students are required to pass a six-hour written examination in their major field and a four-hour written examination in their minor field. These exams must be taken after the completion of 27 credits but before the completion of 45 credits. Students may take their major and minor exams in the same semester or in consecutive semesters.

First exam successfully completed in major field: _____

Field	Date	Grade
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First exam successfully completed in minor field: _____

Field	Date	Grade
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IV. Second Examination Requirement

Students are required to pass an oral examination which will focus on, but not be limited to, their dissertation proposal and in the course of which students will connect their proposed research project to broader issues in political science.

Second exam successfully completed: _____

Date	Grade
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V. Dissertation Requirement

Students must write a dissertation and defend it successfully in an oral examination before 5 faculty members [at least 3 of whom are members of the doctoral faculty].

Dissertation defense successfully completed: _____

Date

Name of advisor or other appropriate official completing this form: _____

Last Name, First Name
PLEASE PRINT

Date

