PRE-LAW RECOMMENDED BACCALAUREATE SUPER-CURRICULUM WITH A DOUBLE MAJOR OR DOUBLE DEGREE IN HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE*

FIRST YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER
- History 101 or 101H 3 hrs
- Art 105 or 106, Music 151, Theater 131, or Honors 191 3 hrs
- English 101 or 121H 3 hrs
- Math 160, 161, or 161H 3 hrs
- Sociology 101 3 hrs
- Orientation 101 0-1 hrs

SECOND SEMESTER
- History 102 or 102H 3 hrs
- Art 105 or 106, Music 151, Theater 131, or Honors 191 3 hrs
- English 102 or 122H 3 hrs
- Math 162, 185, or 241 3 hrs
- Geography 103 3 hrs
- Library Science 102 1 hr

15-16 hrs 16 hrs

SECOND YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER
- History 201 or 201H 3 hrs
- Political Science 201 3 hrs
- Geography 300 or 400 level 3 hrs
- English 230, 231, 232, or 291H 3 hrs
- Foreign Language 3 hrs
- Natural Science 3 hrs

SECOND SEMESTER
- History 202 or 202H 3 hrs
- Political Science 202 3 hrs
- Political Science 300 3 hrs
- English 230, 231, 232, or 292H 3 hrs
- Foreign Language 3 hrs
- Natural Science 3 hrs

18 hrs 18 hrs

THIRD YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER
- Asian/Latin American History 3 hrs
- British/European History 3 hrs
- Political Science 401 3 hrs
- Natural Science 3 hrs
- Communication 211 or Honors 311 3 hrs
- Foreign Language 3 hrs

SECOND SEMESTER
- American/Latin American History 3 hrs
- Political Science 403 3 hrs
- Political Science 405 or 406 3 hrs
- Philosophy 301, 302, 313 or Honors 312 3 hrs
- Foreign Language 3 hrs

18 hrs 18 hrs

FOURTH YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER
- Asian/Latin American History 3 hrs
- History 479, 480, or 482 3 hrs
- History Elective or Honors 313 3 hrs
- Political Science 436, 460, 462, or 470 3 hrs
- Political Science 450, 451, 452, or Honors 313 3 hrs
- Philosophy 315 or 417 3 hrs

SECOND SEMESTER
- History 497 3 hrs
- Poli Sci 407 3 hrs
- Poli Sci 490 3 hrs
- Poli Sci 420, 422, 424, 425, 426, 428, or Honors 314 3 hrs
- Poli Sci 437, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 475 or Honors 314 3 hrs
- Honors 300 (Honors Thesis) 0-1 hrs

18 hrs 15-16 hrs

Total semester hours required for double major 136-138 hrs

Total semester hours required for double degree 151-153 hrs

*Following the curriculum above will earn a single B.A. Degree with a double major. To earn a double degree (two B.A. Degrees in History and Political Science), students should take an additional 15 hours of electives (preferably History, Political Science, or Foreign Language). This curriculum is not required for pre-law students (who may major in any field) but may improve a student’s chances of gaining admission to Law School, completing the law degree, passing the bar exam, and practicing law successfully.

1Twelve hours in one foreign language (taken sequentially) are required. Latin provides a good background for law school. Students planning to practice law in areas with a large Hispanic population may consider Spanish. Also acceptable are French, German, and Italian.

2To include both Biological and Physical Sciences, at least six hours of which must be in a two-semester sequence.


4British History includes History 437, 438, 439, and 440. European History includes History 409, 410, 416, 418, 419, 423, 424, 429, 433, 434, 454, and 468. History 437 (Ancient and Medieval Britain) and 438 (Tudor and Stuart Britain) provide strong background in the history of common law; History 410 (Ancient Rome) provides strong background in the history of civil law.

5Pre-law students in the Honors Program are encouraged to take the four “Ideas in Conflict” courses—Honors 311, 312, 313, and 314.

6Prospective law students are strongly encouraged to consider taking Political Science 470 (Political Science Internship).