

GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

BSOS Expectations of Students

As a University of Maryland student, you are an informed and active participant in your education. Therefore, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences expects that you:

- Know your benchmark/gateway and degree requirements
- Develop a graduation plan which leads to a timely graduation
- Complete an academic audit during your junior year
- Take appropriate actions to remove registration blocks and register on time
- Adhere to University and College policies and deadlines
- Be responsible for your academic actions and decisions

Student Expectations of BSOS

Academic advisors are committed to assist you in meeting your educational goals. Therefore, the College is committed to the following:

- Introducing you to major and University requirements upon your entrance to a BSOS major
- Providing assistance during academic difficulty
- Referring you to helpful campus resources when needed
- Providing advising throughout your academic career

Advising Resources

BSOS Advising

General questions, registration, exceptions to University policy, academic probation, limited enrollment questions, graduation concerns

2148 Tydings Hall
(301) 405-1697
bsosadvising@umd.edu

Department Advising

Major requirements and courses, registration, internships, career questions, department permission for courses

****All GVPT students will have mandatory advising after 75 credits****

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Limited Enrollment Program Admission Requirements: Since Government & Politics has been designated as a Limited Enrollment Program (LEP), the major requires higher standards than the satisfactory progress benchmarks required in non-LEP majors. Students must meet certain minimum criteria in order to remain in the major or to gain access to the major. AP/IB credits will be accepted for gateway/entrance requirements.

LEP Enrollment Policies:

- Only one gateway/entrance course may be repeated and may only be repeated once.
- When more than one course can satisfy a gateway requirement, taking a second course from the list will count as a repeat.
- A grade of a W (Withdrawn) in a course is counted as an attempt.
- Courses must be taken at UMD unless previously transferred.
- Students may apply only once to an LEP. Students who choose to leave the major or are directly admitted and fail to meet the review criteria will be dismissed from the major and may not reapply.
- Students in the major must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the major.

First semester freshmen entering the University as GVPT major: Students must complete the following requirements **within 45 credits** (not including AP/IB credits) to remain in the major. (*AP/IB/SAT cr. OK for requirements*)

- MATH 111 or STAT 100 with C– or higher. A calculus class (MATH 220, 130, 140) with a grade of C– or higher may be substituted.
- GVPT 100 with B– or higher
- GVPT 170 with B– or higher
{If AP/IB GVPT 170, then GVPT 241 with B– or higher}

Students who wish to be GVPT after their first semester:

Students may submit an application to declare the GVPT major after completing the LEP admission requirements listed below. (*AP/IB/SAT cr. OK for requirements*)

- MATH 111 or STAT 100 with C– or higher. A calculus class (MATH 220, 130, 140) with a grade of C– or higher may be substituted.
- GVPT 100 with B– or higher
- GVPT 170 with B– or higher
{If AP/IB GVPT 170, then GVPT 241 with B– or higher}
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.7 in all previous college-level coursework

**** For GVPT majors, more than 3 GVPT courses per semester WILL NOT be permitted****

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CORE Requirements			
CORE Fundamental Studies For SAT and AP exemptions, refer to http://www.ugst.umd.edu/core/elements/FundaSt.html			
Requirements	Course	Credits	Grade
FE: Academic Writing		—/3	
FM: Fundamental Studies Math	*	—/3	
CORE Distributive Studies			
Requirements	Course	Credits	Grade
HL: Literature		3	
HA: History/Theory of the Arts		3	
HL/HA/HO (Humanities Other)/ IE (Interdisciplinary & Emerging)		3	
PL/LL: Physical or Life Science with Lab		4	
PS/LS/PL/LL: Physical or Life Science with Lab or Non-Lab		3/4	
MS: Math and Formal Reasoning	*	3/4	
SH: Social or Political History		3	
SB1: Behavioral & Social Science	GVPT100	3	
SB2: Behavioral & Social Science	GVPT170	3	
CORE Diversity			
Requirements	Course	Credits	Grade
D: Diversity		—/3	
Advanced CORE: Taken after earning 60 credits			
Requirements	Course	Credits	Grade
ENGL 39X (Professional Writing: Refer to Testudo for course options)		—/3	
Advanced Studies Course 1**		3	
Advanced Studies Course 2**		3	
*Courses must range from 300-400 level. Major, supporting sequence, professional writing, internship, or other experiential courses may not fulfill these requirements.			
Requirements for Graduation:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a D– or higher in each course used to complete CORE/GenEd			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a C– or higher in each course required for the major			
<input type="checkbox"/> Students starting UMD Fall 2012 or later must earn a 2.0 average in all courses used to satisfy major requirements.			
<input type="checkbox"/> 15 of the final 30 credits must be earned at the 300-400 level			
<input type="checkbox"/> 12 upper level major credits must be earned at UMD			
<input type="checkbox"/> At least 30 credits must be earned at UMD			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a cumulative 2.0 GPA in all UMD coursework			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a minimum of 120 credits			

GVPT Major Requirements		
Requirements	Credits	Grade
Gateway Requirements		
MATH 111 or STAT 100 (C– or higher)* MATH 220, 130, 140 may be substituted (C– or higher)	—	
GVPT 100 (SB) (B– or higher)	—/3	
GVPT 170 (SB) {If AP/IB, then GVPT 241 } (B– or higher)	—/3	
GVPT Theory Requirement (C– or higher)		
GVPT 241	3	
GVPT Courses of Choice (C– or higher)		
<i>No more than 42 GVPT credits can be applied toward graduation credits</i>		
GVPT Course of Choice 1	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 2	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 3	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 4 300/400 Level	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 5 300/400 Level	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 6 300/400 Level	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 7 300/400 Level	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 8 300/400 Level	3	
GVPT Course of Choice 9 300/400 Level	3	
GVPT Skills Requirement (C-or higher)		
For Foreign Language & Quantitative Skills requirement, refer to: ter.ps/79q		
1. ECON 200	4	
2. Foreign Language: Choose one: a) Elementary level course(s) b) High school transcript c) Demonstrate proficiency through elementary level	0-12	
3. Quantitative Skills	3	
4. Additional Skills: Choose one: a) Intermediate foreign language b) Additional Quantitative	3-4	
GVPT Major Supporting Sequence (15 credits) (C– or higher)		
- Courses must be from a single department outside GVPT or have courses from multiple departments approved by a GVPT advisor.		
- Courses used for the skills or CORE Advanced Studies requirements cannot be applied to this requirement.		
Supporting Course 1	3	
Supporting Course 2	3	
Supporting Course 3	3	
Supporting Course 4 300/400 Level	3	
Supporting Course 5 300/400 Level	3	

*FM and MS: Will be fulfilled by completing Gateway Math Requirement