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**
3104 Tydings Hall
(301) 405-4168
gvptadvising@umd.edu

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 requirement 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- A grade of a W (Withdrawn) in a course is counted as an attempt.
- 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.

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

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 credits OK for requirements)
- MATH107\* or STAT100\* with C- or higher. A calculus class (MATH120\**, 130, 140) with a grade of C- or higher may be substituted.
- GVPT 170 with B- or higher
  (If AP/IB GVPT 170, then GVPT 241 with B- or higher)

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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 credits OK for requirements)
- MATH107\* or STAT100\* with C- or higher. A calculus class (MATH120\**, 130, 140) with a grade of C- or higher may be substituted.
- 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

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### GVPT Major Requirements

#### Gateway Requirements

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#### GVPT Theory Requirement [Grade of C– or higher]

| GVPT 241                                           | 3       |       |

#### GVPT Methods Requirement [Grade of C– or higher]

| GVPT201 (formerly GVPT100)                         | 3       |       |

#### GVPT Courses of Choice [Grade of C– or higher]

No more than 42 GVPT credits can be applied toward graduation credits

- GVPT Course of Choice 1
- GVPT Course of Choice 2
- GVPT Course of Choice 3
- GVPT Course of Choice 4 300/400 Level
- GVPT Course of Choice 5 300/400 Level
- GVPT Course of Choice 6 300/400 Level
- GVPT Course of Choice 7 300/400 Level
- GVPT Course of Choice 8 300/400 Level
- GVPT Course of Choice 9 300/400 Level

#### GVPT Skills Requirement [Grade of C– or higher]

For Foreign Language & Quantitative Skills requirement, refer to: ter.ps/79q

1. ECON 200
2. Foreign Language: Choose one:
   a) Elementary level course(s)
   b) High school transcript
   c) Demonstrate proficiency through elementary level

3. Quantitative Skills

4. Additional Skills: Choose one:
   a) Intermediate foreign language
   b) Additional Quantitative

#### GVPT Major Supporting Sequence (15 credits) [Grade of 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 requirement 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       |       |

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## GOVERNMENT & POLITICS—Four Year Academic Plan

### Year 1

#### Fall
- **Course**: ENGL101 (AW: Academic Writing)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: MA: Math (Based on Placement/Gateway)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: HU (Humanities)*  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT170 (HS: History/Social Sciences)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Elective  
  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 16

#### Spring
- **Course**: AR (Analytic Reasoning)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: ECON200 (HS: History/Social Sciences)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT241 (SP: Scholarship in Practice)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Elective  
  **Credit**: 3  
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  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 15

### Year 2

#### Fall
- **Course**: OC (Oral Communications)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: UP (Understanding Plural Societies)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: NS (Natural Sciences)*  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT201  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Foreign Language Requirement  
  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 15

#### Spring
- **Course**: NL (Natural Sciences Lab)*  
  **Credit**: 4  
- **Course**: CC (Cultural Competency)*  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: HU (Humanities)*  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Elective  
  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 16

### Year 3

#### Fall
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 2  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 3  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Quantitative Skills Requirement  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Supporting Sequence 1  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Elective  
  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 15

#### Spring
- **Course**: SP: Scholarship in Practice (non-major)*  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 4 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 5 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Additional Skills Requirement  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Supporting Sequence 2  
  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 15

### Year 4

#### Fall
- **Course**: PW (Professional Writing)  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 6 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 7 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Supporting Sequence 3  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Supporting Sequence 4 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  

**Total**: 15

#### Spring
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 8 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: GVPT Course of Choice 9 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Supporting Sequence 5 Upper Level  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Elective or AR (Analytical Reasoning) if Gateway Math/Quantitative course taken does not satisfy AR requirement  
  **Credit**: 3  
- **Course**: Elective  
  **Credit**: 1  

**Total**: 13

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**Cumulative Credits + Planned Credits = Total Credits**

120

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*Important Planning Notes:*
- All students must take two Distributive Studies courses that will also count for I-Series requirement. (I-series are not listed separately on this plan)
- Understanding Plural Societies courses may also fulfill a Distributive Studies category.