POLITICAL SCIENCE (COURSE 17)

Department of Political Science (http://catalog.mit.edu/schools/humanities-arts-social-sciences/political-science/#undergraduate-text)

Bachelor of Science in Political Science

General Institute Requirements (GIRs)
The General Institute Requirements include a Communication Requirement that is integrated into both the HASS Requirement and the requirements of each major; see details below.

Summary of Subject Requirements

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<th>Subjects</th>
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<tr>
<td>Science Requirement</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td>Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (HASS)</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>Requirement [between two and five subjects can inform the Departmental Program]; at least two of these subjects must be designated as communication-intensive (CI-H) to fulfill the Communication Requirement.</td>
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<td>Restricted Electives in Science and Technology (REST) Requirement</td>
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<td>Laboratory Requirement (12 units) [can be satisfied by 17.803 (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.803">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.803</a>) in the Departmental Program]</td>
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<td>Total GIR Subjects Required for SB Degree</td>
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Physical Education Requirement

Swimming requirement, plus four physical education courses for eight points.

Departmental Program

Choose at least two subjects in the major that are designated as communication-intensive (CI-M) to fulfill the Communication Requirement.

Required Subjects

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<td>17.801 (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.801">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.801</a>) Political Science Scope and Methods (CI-M)</td>
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<td>17.803 (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.803">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.803</a>) Political Science Laboratory (CI-M)</td>
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<td>17.THT (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.THT">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.THT</a>) Thesis</td>
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<td>17.THU (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.THU">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.THU</a>) Thesis</td>
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<td>Restricted Electives</td>
<td>81-84</td>
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<td>Political Philosophy/Social Theory</td>
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Restricted Electives

Select one subject in political philosophy/social theory from the following:

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<td>17.007[] Feminist Thought (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.007">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.007</a>)</td>
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<td>17.01[] Justice (<a href="http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.01">http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.01</a>)</td>
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2. 17.THT (http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.THT) and 17.THU (http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.THU) may be replaced by two additional elective subjects in Political Science.

3. This chart has been calculated based on an overlap of 36 units (three subjects) between the HASS General Institute Requirement and the departmental requirements. Students who develop a program of study with more overlap will be able to select more unrestricted electives to meet the number of total units beyond the GIRs required for an SB degree.
17.021[J] Philosophy of Law
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.021)
17.03 (http://Introduction to Political Thought
catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.03)
17.035[J] Libertarianism in History
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.035)
17.04[J] Modern Conceptions of Freedom
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.04)
17.05[J] Humane Warfare: Ancient and
Medieval Perspectives on Ethics in
War
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.05)
17.051 (http://Ethics of Energy Policy
catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.051)

American Politics
Select one subject in American politics from the following:
17.20 (http://Introduction to the American Political
catalog.mit.edu/Process
search/?P=17.20)
17.245 (http://Constitutional Law: Structures of
catalog.mit.edu/Power and Individual Rights
search/?P=17.245)
17.251 (http://Congress and the American Political
catalog.mit.edu/System I
search/?P=17.251)
17.261 (http://Congress and the American Political
catalog.mit.edu/System II
search/?P=17.261)
17.263 Electoral Politics, Public Opinion, and Democracy
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.263)
17.265 (http://Public Opinion and American
catalog.mit.edu/Democracy
search/?P=17.265)
17.267 (http://Democracy in America
catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.267)
17.269 Race, Ethnicity, and American Politics
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.269)
17.275 (http://Public Opinion Research Design and
catalog.mit.edu/Training Seminar
search/?P=17.275)
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.28)

Public Policy
Select one of the following options:
Option 1
Select one political science subject in public policy from the following:
17.30[J] Making Public Policy
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.30)
17.303](l) Methods of Policy Analysis
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.303)
17.307 (http://American Public Policy for
catalog.mit.edu/Washington Interns
search/?P=17.307)
17.309[J] Science, Technology, and Public Policy
(http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.309)
Select one subject in another field designated as fulfilling the public policy requirement

**International Politics**

*Select one of the following options:*

**Option 1**

*Select one subject in international relations / security studies from the following:*

17.40 (http:// catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.40)  
American Foreign Policy: Past, Present, and Future

17.401 (http:// catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.401)  
History of International Politics in the Modern World

17.407 (http:// Chinese Foreign Policy catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.407)  
Chinese Foreign Policy

17.41 (http:// Introduction to International Relations catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.41)  
Introduction to International Relations

17.411 (http:// Globalization, Migration, and International Relations catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.411)  
Globalization, Migration, and International Relations

17.42 (http:// Causes and Prevention of War catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.42)  
Causes and Prevention of War

17.433 (http:// International Relations of East Asia catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.433)  
International Relations of East Asia

17.445 (http:// International Relations Theory in the Cyber Age catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.445)  
International Relations Theory in the Cyber Age

17.447 (http:// Cybersecurity catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.447)  
Cybersecurity

17.473 (http:// The Politics of Nuclear Proliferation catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.473)  
The Politics of Nuclear Proliferation

US Military Power

**Option 2**

*Select one subject in comparative politics from the following:*

17.50 (http:// Introduction to Comparative Politics catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.50)  
Introduction to Comparative Politics

17.509 (http:// Social Movements in Comparative Politics catalog.mit.edu/search/? P=17.509)  
Social Movements in Comparative Politics
17.515 (http:// Comparative Electoral Politics
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.515)

17.523 (http:// Ethnic Conflict in World Politics
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.523)

17.53 (http:// The Rise of Asia
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.53)

17.537 (http:// Politics and Policy in Contemporary
catalog.mit.edu/japan
search/?
P=17.537)

17.55 (http:// Introduction to Latin American
Studies
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.55)

17.56 (http:// The Politics of Crime and Policing
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.56)

17.561 (http:// European Politics
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.561)

17.565 (http:// Israel: History, Politics, Culture, and
Identity
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.565)

17.569 (http:// Russia's Foreign Policy: Toward the
Soviet States and Beyond
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.569)

17.57 (http:// Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics and
Society: 1917 to the Present
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.57)

17.571 (http:// Engineering Democratic
Development in Africa
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.571)

17.581 (http:// Riots, Rebellions, Revolutions
catalog.mit.edu/
search/?
P=17.581)

17.591 (http:// Research Seminar in Applied
International Studies
catalog.mit.edu/search/?
P=17.591)

1 17.567 (http://catalog.mit.edu/search/?P=17.567), a 9-unit version of this
subject that is taught during IAP, is also acceptable.