



# Department of **SOCIAL SCIENCES**



## **ONLINE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

Are you interested in a career in the public or nonprofit sector? Do you need the convenience and flexibility offered by online learning? The Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a concentration in Public Administration offered by South Carolina State University is a degree-completion program, that prepares graduates for careers in local, state and national government in addition to nonprofit organization. Students admitted to the program must have an associate's degree or have completed all General Education course requirements.

### **APPLY NOW!**

Complete the [online admissions application](https://bannerweb.scsu.edu/prod/bwskalog.P_DisplLoginNon) ([https://bannerweb.scsu.edu/prod/bwskalog.P\\_DisplLoginNon](https://bannerweb.scsu.edu/prod/bwskalog.P_DisplLoginNon)) to get started on fulfilling your dreams of having a college degree.

### **DEADLINES**

The deadlines for admissions applications is listed below:

- **Fall Semester:** Applications must be received by May 31st
- **Spring Semester:** Applications must be received by October 31st
- **Summer Semester:** Applications must be received by April 1st

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**Pathway from an Associates  
to a Bachelor's Degree**

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### **FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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### **ACCREDITATION**

*South Carolina State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees.*

# PROGRAM CURRICULUM

The online Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a concentration in Public Administration consists of 124 semester credit hours which includes General Education and upper division/major classes. General Education courses are those that are normally completed during the first two years of college. Students admitted to the program are expected to have completed their General Education courses. The upper division classes consist of political science, management and other specialized courses designed to prepare well-rounded graduates for careers in administration in the public and private sectors. Students complete an internship as an experiential learning opportunity.

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## GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

### University Orientation

\* Introduction to the University Community – 2 credit hours

### English and Communications

English Composition and Communications I -3 credit hours

English Composition and Communications II – 3 credit hours

\* Public Speaking – 3 credit hours

\* Elementary Spanish I – 3 credit hours

\* Elementary Spanish II – 3 credit hours

### Mathematics and Technological Understanding

Mathematics, Algebra or PreCalculus (complete one) – 3 credit hours

Introduction to Mathematical Modeling – 3 credit hours

Computer Technology – 3 credit hours

### Social and Behavior Sciences

Introduction to Political Science – 3 credit hours

General Psychology – 3 credit hours

Introduction to Sociology – 3 credit hours

Survey of Economics – 3 credit hours

### Personal Wellness

\* Personal and Community Health - 2 credit hours

### Humanities

World History – 3 credit hours

American History from 1877 – 3 credit hours

World Literature – 3 credit hours

\* ArtAppreciation – 3 credit hours

\* The African American Experience – 3 credit hours

### Sciences

Biological Science I with Lab – 4 credit hours

Biological Science II with Lab – 4 credit hours

\* Foundations of Physical Science – 3 credit hours

\* Physical Science Lab - 1 credit hour

### Major Area Courses

State and Local Government – 3 credit hours

American Government – 3 credit hour

*\* Other General Education courses approved by the department may be used to satisfy this requirement. Your transcript will receive a personalized evaluation and the Department will ultimately determine which General Education courses/credits are transferable to South Carolina State University.*

## UPPER LEVEL AND MAJOR COURSES

\*\* Intermediate Spanish II – 3 credit hours

Principles of Management – 3 credit hours

Public Administration – 3 credit hours

Administrative Law – 3 credit hours

Black Politics – 3 credit hours

U.S. Foreign Policy – 3 credit hours

Human Resource Management – 3 credit hours

Public Personnel Administration – 3 credit hours

Organizational Theory and Behavior – 3 credit hours

Research Methods in Political Science – 3 credit hours

Advanced Grammar – 3 credit hours

Public Finance – 3 credit hours

Public Policy Analysis – 3 credit hours

Topics in Public Policy – 3 credit hours

Political Science Electives

- Urban Politics – 3 credit hours

- Constitutional Law – 3 credit hours

- Judicial Process – 3 credit hours

Internship in Public Administration – 3 credit hours

*\*\* Other foreign language courses approved by the Department may satisfy this requirement.*