POLITICAL SCIENCE

Political Science faculty who are members of the doctoral faculty. (http://sgs.umkc.edu/for-faculty-and-staff/doctoralgraduate-faculty-lists)

This discipline is currently NOT accepting new students for the primary or the co-discipline. Questions should be directed to the graduate advisor of the department, Dr. Rebecca Best, at (816) 235-2691 or BestRH@umkc.edu.

Political Science is a discipline in the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. (http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/graduate-studies/interdisciplinary-phd-program) Program administered by the School of Graduate Studies.

Note: The discipline-specific requirements listed here are in addition to the requirements listed in Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Application Procedure and Minimum Criteria for Admission and Minimum Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Academic Regulations and Degree Requirements.

Suggested Compatible Co-disciplines

Economics (http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/graduate-studies/economics), Educational Leadership Policy and Foundations (https://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/graduate-studies/educational-leadership-policy-foundations), English (https://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/graduate-studies/english), History (http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/graduate-studies/history)

Core Program Requirements

In general, students must take whatever specific courses are deemed necessary by their committees.

The amount of work required for the Ph.D. depends on the student’s level of preparation. A student entering the Ph.D. program without an M.A. in political science may expect to do significantly more work than that required of a student with such a degree in hand.

Students with Political Science as their co-discipline must take at least 12 hours in political science as designated by their committees, but must include POL-SCI 5501 Seminar in American Government, POL-SCI 5530 Seminar in International Relations, and POL-SCI 5513 Seminar in Comparative Politics.

Requirements for Comprehensive Examinations

These examinations are given twice a year. Further information is available from the department.