

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**  
**SCHOOL OF POLICY, GOVERNMENT, AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**  
**B.A. DEGREE IN GOVERNMENT AND INTERNATIONAL POLITICS**  
**(359 Research Hall, 703-993-1400)**

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**2017-2018 CATALOG**

	<u>Department(s) &amp; Course #(s)</u>	<u>Completed/ Grade(s)</u>	<u>Needed</u>
<b><u>MASON CORE REQUIREMENTS (*28)</u></b>			
a. Written Communication: ENGH 101 (100), ENGH 302 (C or better) (3,3)		_____	_____
b. Oral Communication: COMM 100 or 101 (circle choice) (3)		_____	_____
c. Quantitative Reasoning (3)		_____	_____
d. Literature (3)		_____	_____
e. Arts (3)		_____	_____
f. Western Civilization (3)		_____	_____
g. <b>Social &amp; Behavioral Science (satisfied by GOVT 101 and 103)</b>		_____	_____
h. Natural Science (4,3)		_____	_____
i. <b>Global Understanding (satisfied by GOVT 132 and 133)</b>		_____	_____
j. <b>Information Technology (satisfied by GOVT 300)</b>		_____	_____
k. <b>Synthesis (satisfied by GOVT 490 or 491)</b>		_____	_____

Go to: <http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/> to link to information on Mason Core requirements.

**COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (\*18)**

- a. Foreign Language: Intermediate level in a single foreign language.
- b. Philosophy or Religious Studies (3) (not PHIL 323, 324, 327, 393, 460)  
(PHIL 253 and RELI 235 cannot be used to fulfill both the PHIL/RELI requirement and the Mason Core literature requirement.)
- c. Three credits in social & behavioral sciences in addition to the university-wide requirement in social & behavioral science for a total of 6 credits. The two courses used to fulfill the combined college and university requirements must be from different disciplines. This requirement may be fulfilled by completing any course in ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GOVT, HIST (except 100 or 125), LING, PSYC, or SOCI & these courses in GGS: 101, 103, 110, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 315, 316, 320, 325, 330, 357, 380.
- d. Non-Western Culture (**may be satisfied by major course**)

\*The number of hours needed to fulfill Mason Core requirements may vary; see the University Catalog for information. The two courses used to fulfill the college and university requirements for social & behavioral sciences must be from different disciplines.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (43 hours required)**

**Core Courses (19)**

- a. **GOVT 101, 103, 132, 133** (3, 3, 3, 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- b. **GOVT 300** (4) \_\_\_\_\_
- c. **GOVT 490 or 491** (3) (writing intensive courses) \_\_\_\_\_

**Field Requirements (24)** Students may complete a government concentration (four courses) in one field, then complete any four more advanced government field courses to satisfy this requirement. Students who do not pursue a government concentration may choose 24 credits from the advanced government field courses listed below (with restriction) for a broader learning experience.

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| American Institutions and Processes (AMIP) | Political Analysis (PA)                         |
| Comparative Politics (CPOL)                | Political Behavior and Identity Politics (PBIP) |
| International Political Economy (IPE)      | Public Policy and Administration (PPA)          |
| International Relations (INTR)             | Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE)       |
| Law, Philosophy, and Governance (LPGV)     | Individualized Concentration (IND)              |
| 1. GOVT _____                              | 3. GOVT _____                                   |
| 2. GOVT _____                              | 4. GOVT _____                                   |
|  | 5. GOVT _____                                   |
|  | 6. GOVT _____                                   |
|  | 7. GOVT _____                                   |
|  | 8. GOVT _____                                   |

**Advanced government field courses include courses numbered GOVT 301 - GOVT 499. With prior approval, up to three credits of GOVT 399 and GOVT 480 and up to six credits of GOVT 496 may be substituted for this requirement. GOVT 490 or 491 may not be used to fulfill this requirement. Courses for major requirements must have a grade of "C" or better.**

**GENERAL ELECTIVES (approx. 31)** (List courses) Physical Education (PHED); Parks, Recreation, and Leisure Studies (PRLS); and Recreation (RECR) activity courses cannot be used for credit for a degree in the Schar school. Only Military Science (MLSC) courses at the 400-level can be used for credit for a degree in the School; credit for other MLSC courses may not be applied toward a degree in the School.


**MINIMUM 120 HOURS (including Minimum 45 UPPER DIVISION HOURS) to GRADUATE**

This planning form is intended to be used in consultation with your academic advisor and reflects the requirements for the 2017-2018 Catalog; the University Catalog is the official reference for program requirements.

## Government Major Concentration Courses

**American Institutions and Processes (AMIP):** GOVT 301-319, 344, 357, 364, 365, 409, 422, 423

**Comparative Politics (CPOL):** GOVT 331-345, 430, 432, 433, 434, 443, 444, 445, 447, 448

**International Political Economy (IPE):** GOVT 322, 339, 343, 366-368, 433, 444, 446, 469; ECON 385

**International Relations:** GOVT 322, 341, 342, 344-347, 443-448

**Law, Philosophy, and Governance (LPGV):** GOVT 301, 302, 307, 322-324, 327-329, 334, 407, 420, 421-423, 427, 428, 445, 446, 448 452, 460 469-471

**Political Analysis (PA):** GOVT 307, 343, 356-358, 366-368, 433, 468, STAT 350

**Political Behavior and Identity Politics (PBIP):** GOVT 311-313, 318, 319, 345, 353, 412, 414, 421, 423

**Public Policy and Administration (PPA):** GOVT 304, 329, 351, 353-359, 361, 362, 364-368, 452, 460, 464, 467, 469

Non-Government Concentration: **Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE):** *See BA BA GVIP PPE Planning Sheet*

**Individualized Concentration (IND):** Create your own concentration consisting of four upper level courses with Director approval. A minimum of two courses in this concentration must be GOVT.

## COURSE LISTS

### Mason Core Requirements

**Written Communication:** ENGH 101 (or 100) and ENGH 302

**Oral Communication:** COMM 100 or COMM 101

**Quantitative Reasoning:** MATH 106, 108, 110, 111, 113, 115, 123 and 124, 125; SOCI 313; STAT 250. The Math Placement Test is required to take MATH 108, 113, 115, 123, and 125. See this web site for more information: [http://math.gmu.edu/placement\\_test.php](http://math.gmu.edu/placement_test.php)

**Literature:** ARAB 325; CHIN 310, 311, 325, 328; CLAS 250, 260, 340, 350, 360, 380; ENGH 201, 202, 203, 204; FREN 325, 329; FRLN 330; GERM 325; ITAL 320, 325; JAPA 340; KORE 311; PHIL 253; RELI 235, 333; RUSS 325, 326, 327; SPAN 325

**Arts:** ARTH 101, 102, 103, 200, 201, 203, 204, 206, 321, 322, 324, 333, 334, 335, 340, 341, 342, 344, 345, 360, 362, 370, 372, 373, 376; AVT 103, 104, 215, 222, 232, 243, 252, 253, 262, 272, 385; DANC 101, 119, 125, 131, 145, 161, 225, 231, 245, 301, 325, 331, 345, 425, 445, 390, 391; ENGH 370, 371, 372, 396; FAVS 225; GAME 101; MUSI 100, 101, 102, 107, 280, 301, 302, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 387, 389, 485; PHIL 156; THR 101, 150, 151, 210, 230, 395, 411, 412.

**Western Civilization:** HIST 100 or 125; transfer students may substitute: the following courses for HIST 100: HIST 101, 102, 301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 308, 309, 312, 314, 322, 388, 436, 480; and the following courses for HIST 125: HIST 202, 387.

**Social and Behavioral Sciences:** GOVT 101, 103

**Natural Sciences:** ASTR 111/112, 113/114, 115; BIOL 103, 104; BIOL 213; CDS 101/102; CHEM 103,104,155,156; CHEM 211/213, 212/214, 251; CLIM 102, 111/112; EVPP 110,111; GEOL 101,102; GGS 121; PHYS 103,104; PHYS 111/112; PHYS 243/244, 245/246; PHYS 160/161, 260/261; 262/263

**Non-lab:** ANTH 135; ASTR 103, 302; BIOL 140; CHEM 101, 102, 201, 202; CLIM 101; EVPP 201; GEOL 134; GGS 102; NUTR 295; PHYS 106; PROV 301

**Global Understanding:** GOVT 132, 133

**Information Technology:** GOVT 300

**Synthesis/Capstone:** GOVT 490, 491

#### Additional Requirements

**Foreign Language:** Demonstrated intermediate-level proficiency in one foreign language. See this web site for more information: <http://chss.gmu.edu/general-education/foreign-language-requirement> (EDSE 115, 116, and 219—ASL--may also be used)

**Philosophy or Religious Studies:** This can be fulfilled by any course in philosophy or religious studies except for PHIL 323, 324, 327, 393, 460. (PHIL 253 and RELI 235 cannot be used to fulfill both the philosophy/religious studies requirement and the Mason Core literature requirement.)

**Social Sciences:** This can be fulfilled by any course in ANTH; CRIM; ECON; GOVT; HIST (except 100 or 125); LING; PSYC; SOC; or GGS 101, 103, 110, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 315, 316, 320, 325, 330, 357, 380.

**Non-western Culture:** ANTH 114, 300, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 309, 313, 314, 316, 323, 330, 332, 381, 383, 396; ARAB 360, 420, 440; ARTH 203, 204, 206, 319, 320, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 482; CHIN 318, 320, 325; DANC 118; ECON 361, 362; FREN 451, 454; GGS 101, 316, 325, 330, 399; GOVT 328, 332, 333, 340, 341, 345, 432, 433; HIST 251, 252, 261, 262, 271, 272, 281, 282, 326, 327, 328, 329, 353, 354, 356, 357, 358, 360, 364, 365, 366, 367, 387, 426, 460, 461, 462, 465; JAPA 310, 340; KORE 320; MUSI 103; RELI 211, 212, 240, 272, 313, 314, 315, 337, 365, 374, 375, 379, 387, 490; RUSS 353, 354.

**Note:** Students do not have to meet each requirement with a separate course; i.e. it is possible that a single course may be used to fulfill more than one college requirement; a single course may fulfill a Mason Core requirement and a college requirement; a course may fulfill a Mason Core requirement and/or a college requirement and a requirement for the major.