

**Grand Valley State University**  
**CLAS Academic Advising Center**  
**C-1-140 Mackinac Hall**  
**616-331-8585**

**Graduate Teacher Certification Planned Program**  
**Political Science Minor**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

SID: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Transfer Institution(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Required Courses: (x) = completed; (\*) = needs to complete; (?) provide syllabus for possible cr.**

Course Number	✓	Course Name	Credits	Completed	Scheduled	Grade	Quality Points
PLS 102		American Government & Politics	3				
PLS 103		Issues in World Politics	3				
Or		Or					
PLS 211		International Relations <sup>1</sup>	3				
<i>Of the remaining 15 credits, one course must be in American Politics, one in Comparative Politics or International Relations, and one course in Political Thought.</i>							
		<b><u>American Politics</u></b>					
PLS 202		American Election Campaigns	3				
PLS 203		State Politics	3				
PLS 205		The Policy Process	3				
PLS 206		American Constitutional Foundations	3				
PLS 304		Political Parties & Interest Groups	3				
PLS 305		Congress & The Presidency	3				
PLS 306		American Constitutional Law I	3				
PLS 307		American Constitutional Law II	3				
PLS 308		American Judicial Politics	3				
PLS 310		Politics & Health Policy	3				
PLS 340		Mass Media & American Politics	3				
PLS 341		Elections & Voting Behavior	3				
PA 307		Local Politics & Administration	<b>3</b>				
		<b><u>International Relations</u></b>					
PLS 211		International Relations	3				
PLS 212		Great Decisions	3				
PLS 311		International Conflict & Conflict Resolution	3				
PLS 312		U.S. Foreign Policy	3				
PLS 313		International organization	3				
PLS 314		International law	3				
PLS 315		International Political Economy	3				
PLS 321		The European Union	3				

		<b><u>Comparative Politics</u></b>					
PLS 221		Government & Politics of Western Europe	3				
PLS 240		The Holocaust	3				
PLS 281		Comparative Political Systems: Canada	3				
PLS 282		Government & Politics of Russia & Eastern Europe	3				
PLS 283		Chinese Politics & U.S. China Relations	3				
PLS 284		Latin American Politics	3				
PLS 319		African Politics	3				
PLS 327		Politics of Developing Countries	3				
PLS 339		Comparative Democratization	3				
		<b><u>Political Thought</u></b>					
PLS 231		Classical Political Thought	3				
PLS 232		Modern Political Thought	3				
PLS 233		Contemporary Political Thought	3				
PLS 337		U.S. Political Thought	3				
PLS 338		Citizenship	3				

**Total Credits needed:** 21

**Cumulative GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Considerations:**

<sup>1</sup>Beginning in catalog year 2008 students have the option of taking PLS 103 or PLS 211 as part of the core.

- At least 9 credit hours must be at the 300 level
- No more than six credit hours of internship or independent study may count toward the minor
- At least six credit hours must be taken at GVSU.

**Notes:**

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**Departmental Approval:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

1 copy student; 1 copy CLAS Advising Center File; 1 copy College of Education; 1 copy Major Program Advisor

### Next Steps:

1. Apply to Grand Valley State University if you have undergraduate courses remaining. Click here for a link to the Admissions Application: <http://admissions.gvsu.edu/admissions/undergrad.asp>
2. Successfully complete all coursework
3. Successfully complete the State required test in your endorsement area
4. Complete the “endorsement application” form from the Registrar’s Office.
5. Submit official transcripts from all colleges and universities you have attended (do not resend if Grand Valley has all of your transcripts).
6. A returned approved Endorsement Audit from the appropriate academic department.

After all paperwork has been received and the recommendation has been made to the State, the Registrar’s Office will mail you a 90-day letter verifying the completion of your new endorsement. The State will send you the fee for a new endorsement. Once you pay the fee, the State will mail you a newly endorsed teaching certificate.

Document Approved  
Mark Richards 12/9/08