

## Transfer Student Orientation

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I don't think I need to sell you on why politics is **important**.



This is a tough time for the country, but an important time to be studying politics.

## FALL 2020: IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY



## **Orientation Summary**

Got 100?

What to Take

Get the details on your online classes

Go Beyond the Classroom

Get regular advising



## POSC 100-10, American Government

Every student has to take POSC 100. It's also the prerequisite for ... everything in POSC.

We've set aside a section just for majors, POSC 100-10.

- Your own cohort
- Advising help
- Advice from former alumni (from campaigns, law, law enforcement, journalism, business, and more)
- (taught by me)



## The Major





## Major Requirements

A few **required** classes

• Example: POSC 340

Some **breadth** requirements

300 level classes that introduce a subfield

#### **Electives**

Usually 400 level courses



### What to Take in POSC

There are seats in some **breadth** classes (e.g. 315, 330, 350).

There are also multiple **400s** with seats open (fulfills **electives** and/or your **writing requirement**).



## Also Look to Round Out Your GE Courses

#### **CATALOG YEAR FALL 2019 AND LATER**

#### A. CORE COMPETENCIES (9 UNITS)

Note: A grade of "C-" (1.7) or better is required in Areas A1, A2, and A3. A "D+" (1.3) or below is not sufficient to satisfy these requirements.

- ▶ A.1. Oral Communications (3 units)
- ▶ A.2. Written Communication (3 units)
- ▶ A.3. Critical Thinking (3 units)

#### **B. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING (12-13 UNITS)**

Note: + indicates a course is a lab or includes a lab





## Consult the Road Map

#### **FIFTH SEMESTER**

AREA (as listed on TDA)	COURSE	UNITS
Major Requirement Breadth Requirements	POSC 310, 315, 320, 330, 350, 352 or 375	3
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Major Requirement Research Methods Requirement	POSC 301, 321 or 407	3
<b>G.E. subarea B.5</b> Implications and Explorations in the Natural Sciences and Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning		3
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#### **SIXTH SEMESTER**

\*One course from C.3 or D.4 should overlay with GE Overylay Z

AREA (as listed on TDA)	COURSE	UNITS
<b>G.E. subarea C.3*</b> Explorations in the Arts or Humanities		3
<b>Major Requirement</b> Breadth Requirements	POSC 310, 315, 320, 330, 350, 352 or 375	3
<b>Major Requirement</b> Electives	300 Level POSC Course	3
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<b>Major Requirement</b> Related Fields		3

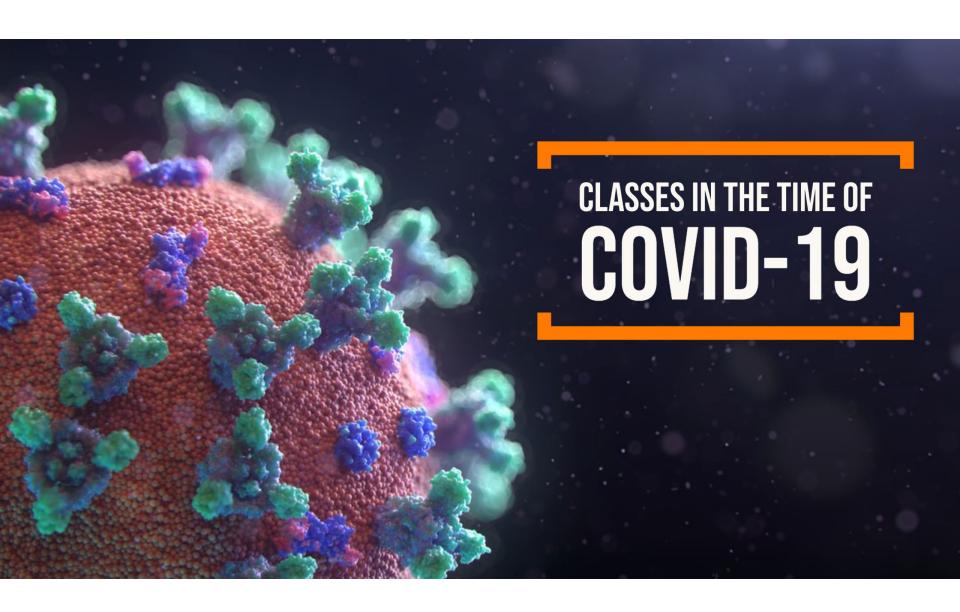


# But don't stress if some classes are already full

**Worst case:** 48 (**POSC**) + 48 (**GE**) = 96 hours

120 (graduating) -96 = 24 hours, or at least 8 classes outside of each

Also: double-counting!





### How to Handle Online Classes

- 1. Read your syllabi carefully
- 2. (Politely) get your professors to help you; assert your needs
- 3. Keep your original time slots free until you know otherwise
- 4. Figure out your internet situation
- 5. Get and use a calendar; online class management can be tough



## Go Beyond the Classroom



**Moot Court** 



Orange County Fellows



**DC Scholars** 



Campaign Volunteers



Intelligence Scholars



Sacramento Semester



Regular advising is the key to a happy and organized college career.

### Q&A Time!

Anything you're not afraid to ask, I'm not afraid to (try to) answer.

