Political Science Accelerated Master’s Program Sample Schedule
Department of Political Science
Utah State University

This program requires completion of 30 graduate credits (all courses are three credits unless otherwise designated). Most students can receive a Master of Science in one year after they receive their Bachelor’s Degree. Any 9 5000+ or 6000+ courses can be taken and applied towards the Master’s Program using the split form (https://gradschool.usu.edu/split-form)

Fall of Undergraduate Senior or Junior Year
POL 6010 Research Design
Take GRE

Spring of Senior or Junior Year
POL 5000+ Elective
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Apply to Graduate Program

POLS 5000+ courses taken for graduate credit cannot be used for undergraduate credit. You can also take 5000+ courses during your junior year, or take three or four 5000+ courses in one semester.

Fall of Master’s Program
POL 6000+ Seminar 1
POL 6000+ Seminar 2
POL 5000+ Elective
3 Thesis Hours
Begin Writing Thesis

Spring of Master’s Program
POL 6000+ Field Seminar 3
POL 6000+ Field Seminar 4
3 Thesis Hours
Defend Thesis

*The Master of Arts degree requires language proficiency in a second language as determined by the Languages and Philosophy Department.