

Academic Year 2022-23

# GUIDE TO GRADUATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS: Policy, Politics and International Affairs



UNIVERSITY OF  
**BALTIMORE**

College of Public Affairs

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The mission of the **College of Public Affairs Advising Center** is to provide quality academic advisement that empowers students to develop and implement sound educational plans that are consistent with their personal values, goals and career plans. Our purpose is to guide students to become self-directed learners and decision-makers.

The **College of Public Affairs** is committed to providing the guidance and support you need to complete your program in a timely manner. This Guide to Graduation provides the in-depth information necessary to assist you in planning your undergraduate academic career. It contains contact information, important resources, a program checklist and a suggested four-year plan of study.

While this information will be helpful to you, you should also contact your academic adviser. Your adviser is there to assist you in planning your program plan of study and to answer your questions. All new students are required to meet with an adviser prior to registering for their first semester to receive a personalized program checklist.

The University of Baltimore recognizes that consistent and timely academic advising is strongly related to student success. To enhance the services we provide to our students and to increase the likelihood for success and on-time degree completion, UBalt implemented mandatory milestone advising for all new undergraduate students beginning in fall 2017.

Milestone advising will be anchored by three specific touch points and aligned with the personal, professional and academic goals of students at those points.

**45 Credits:** Advisers will work with students to further explore the declared major and connect students with support services, clubs and other campus groups to enhance the opportunity to be involved in the UBalt community.

**60 Credits:** Advisers will work with students to prepare for internships, Global Field Studies and other experiential learning opportunities. Students will also be re-introduced to the support services offered by the Career and Internship Center.

**90 Credits:** Advisers will focus on the final steps to graduation and the options for post-bachelor's degree completion. Students will learn more about the graduate degree programs at UBalt that fit with their goals.

Students must meet with their advisers to discuss their next steps for registration, course scheduling and other key academic topics before they register for classes. Advisers will release the milestone advising service indicator on students' accounts at the conclusion of the advising meetings.

Your academic adviser will assist you throughout your time at UBalt at any credit point; however, it is ultimately your responsibility to complete the degree requirements and acquaint yourself with the University's academic policies.

## CONTACT INFO:

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## RESOURCES:

**Office of Records and Registration**  
[ubalt.edu/records](http://ubalt.edu/records)

**Office of Financial Aid**  
[ubalt.edu/financialaid](http://ubalt.edu/financialaid)

**Office of the Bursar**  
[ubalt.edu/bursar](http://ubalt.edu/bursar)

**Academic Success**  
[ubalt.edu/success](http://ubalt.edu/success)

**Career and Internship Center**  
[ubalt.edu/careercenter](http://ubalt.edu/careercenter)

**Call to schedule your advising  
appointment today.**

# B.A. IN POLICY, POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

## PROGRAM CHECKLIST

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

### General Education Requirements – 38 credits

- Students entering in fall 2016 and later
- Upper-division courses are 300 or 400 level.
- Complete with a grade of C- or higher except where noted.
- [See course lists for each area.](#)

### Arts and Humanities Area (AH, AHE) – 6 credits

Complete one course from two separate AH disciplines.

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
AH1:	_____	_____	_____	_____
AH2:	_____	_____	_____	_____

### Upper Division Ethics Area (UETH) – 3 credits

Complete one course.

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
*UETH:	_____	_____	_____	_____

*\*(upper division, C or better)*

### > Social and Behavioral Sciences Area (SBS) – 6 credits

Complete one course from two separate SBS disciplines.

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
SBS1:	_____	_____	_____	_____
SBS2:	_____	_____	_____	_____

### > Biological and Physical Sciences Area (BPS, BPSL) – 7 credits

Complete two courses, one of which must be a laboratory course.

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
BPS:	_____	_____	_____	_____
BPSL:	_____	_____	_____	_____



**> Mathematics Area (MA) – 3 credits**

Complete one course. Check your major requirements for recommendation. Note: placement required prior to registration

Complete Math Placement: RSVP at [ubalt.edu/placement](http://ubalt.edu/placement)

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
MA:	_____	_____	_____	_____

**> English Composition Area (COMP, UCOMP) – 6 credits**

Complete two composition courses, one of which must be upper division. Note: placement required prior to registration

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
COMP:	_____	_____	_____	_____
*UCOMP:	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<i>*upper division, C or better</i>			

**> General Education Electives (ELECGE) – 7+ credits**

Complete as many general education courses as needed to reach 38-credit requirement.

	Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
ELECGE:	_____	_____	_____	_____
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ELECGE:	_____	_____	_____	_____

Students with an A.A. or A.S. degree from a Maryland public institution complete only the AHE and UCOMP requirements.

**University of Baltimore Graduation Requirements**

- Students entering in fall 2017 and later
- For General Education GR courses, earn a grade of C- or higher.
- For GR courses within your academic program, follow the grade requirements of the program.
- Consult with your academic adviser on the best course selections for your program.
- [See lists of approved courses.](#)

Information Literacy (IL)		Term	Grade	Credit Hours
	PDIA 408: Methods in Government and Public Policy	_____	_____	_____
Technological Fluency (TF)		Term	Grade	Credit Hours
	_____	_____	_____	_____
Oral Communication (OC)		Term	Grade	Credit Hours
	_____	_____	_____	_____

Global Awareness and Diverse Perspectives (GD)	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
PPIA 210: Introduction to Global Affairs	_____	_____	_____

Capstone Experience	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
PPIA 499: Capstone in Public Service	_____	_____	_____

## B.A. in Policy, Politics and International Affairs Requirements – 42 credits

- Students entering in fall 2022 and later
- Complete with a grade of C or higher except where noted.

### > Core Program: six Government courses – 18 credits

Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
• PPIA 201: American Government	_____	_____	_____
• PPIA 210: Introduction to Global Affairs	_____	_____	_____
• one course in economics or PPIA 315: Public Policy Analysis	_____	_____	_____
• PPIA 324: American Public Policy	_____	_____	_____
• PPIA 408: Methods in Government and Public Policy	_____	_____	_____
• PPIA 499: Captstone in Public Service	_____	_____	_____

### > Major Electives: eight courses – 24 credits

*Students who have a career interest in public policy and administration, public law or applied politics should take at least 9 credits in one of the first three areas.*

Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
<b>Public Policy and Administration</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 315: Public Policy Analysis	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 320: Introduction to Public Service	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 322: Bureaucracy and Public Policy	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA326: Urban Politics and Human Resource Management	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 423: Public Budgeting and Personnel Admin	_____	_____	_____

Course Title	Term	Grade	Credit Hours
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 425: Administrative Law and Processes	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> HSMG 373: Health Policy and Politics	_____	_____	_____
<b>Public Law and American Constitutional Systems</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 340: Constitutional Law	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 341: Civil Liberties and the Bill of Rights	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 344: American Presidency	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 345: The Legislative Process	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 348: State and Local Government	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 381: American Political Thought	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 426: Foundations of Democracy I	_____	_____	_____
<b>Applied Politics</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 360: Parties, Campaigns, and Elections	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA: 362: Media and Government	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 461: Maryland Government Processes & Politics	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 463: Interest Group Politics and Lobbying	_____	_____	_____
<b>International Affairs</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 297: Special Topics In International Affairs	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 385: Theories of International Relations	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 386: American Foreign Policy	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 479: Special Topics in International Studies	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 481: Globalization	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 484: International Political Economy	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 485: The Far East in World Affairs	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> PPIA 486: The Middle East	_____	_____	_____



# 4-Year Plan for Incoming Freshmen

## Policy, Politics and International Affairs, B.A.

Below is an example plan of study for the Policy, Politics and International Affairs program. This is meant to act as a guide, but need not be followed in the same order for every student. Part-time students and those students transferring in credits from another university or college will need to adjust their plan accordingly. This plan does not account for courses taken during summer sessions. Students should consult with their adviser each semester prior to registration.

### Year 1

1st Semester (Fall)		2nd Semester (Spring)	
WRIT 100 or Elective	3	PPIA 201	3
Developmental MATH or MATH 113 or 115* (*recommended)	0-3	Science Lecture (GE)	3
IDIS 101 (first year seminar and GE Elective)	3	Learning Community Course (Comm GR and GE elect/WRIT 101 GE)	3
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Learning Community Course (GE/Social Science GE)	3	MATH 113, 115 OR Elective	3
	<u>15</u>		<u>15</u>

### Year 2

3rd Semester (Fall)		4th Semester (Spring)	
PPIA 210	3	PPIA 324	3
One ECON course or PPIA 315	3	Major Elective #1	3
Science with Lab (GE)	4	Technological Fluency (recommend COSC 100 or INSS 100 GR and GE)	3
Arts & Humanities (GE)	3	WRIT 300 (or WRIT 200) (Upper Level GE)	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
	<u>16</u>		<u>15</u>

### SUMMER/WINTER

Elective	3
	<u>3</u>

### Year 3

5th Semester (Fall)		6th Semester (Spring)	
Elective	3	Elective	3
Major Elective #3	3	Major Elective #4	3
Elective	3	Major Elective #5	3
IDIS 302 (Upper level GE)	3	Elective	3
Elective or WRIT 300 (if WRIT 200 was needed prior to WRIT 300)	3	Elective	3
	<u>15</u>		<u>15</u>

### Year 4

7th Semester (Fall)		8th Semester (Spring)	
PPIA 408	3	PPIA 499 or Elective	3
Major Elective #6	3	Major Elective #8	3
Major Elective #7	3	Elective	3
Elective or PPIA 499	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
	<u>15</u>		<u>15</u>

Total  
**121**

58-61

60