

# Prairie View A & M University

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## BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

*“The basis of a democratic state is liberty...Liberty and equality will be best attained in a democracy when all persons share in the government to the utmost”*

*-Aristotle*



**Division of Social Work,  
Behavioral and Political Sciences**

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### PROGRAM OF STUDY

The Political Science Program is committed to providing students with the knowledge and skills necessary to understand political systems so that they may succeed in their careers and become better citizens of the nation and the world. Course work is designed to enhance critical thinking and written communication skills as a prerequisite for employment in the public or private sector, as well as admission to graduate or professional schools.

The Political Science Program is located in the historic George Ruble Woolfolk Building. The Woolfolk Building is equipped with a computer laboratory, library, conference room, offices, and classrooms.

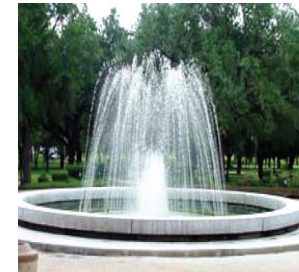
### DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Political Science Program offers courses leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree. Courses are designed to provide an understanding of the theoretical and practical aspects of political systems and processes as well as the historical, social, and economic basis of political institutions. The curriculum is comprehensive and encompasses a variety of courses covering many subfields of Political Science including: American politics, political theory, public policy and administration, constitutional law, and international relations. The Bachelor of Arts degree requires the completion of 120 semester hours of coursework. The University Catalog is the only official document regarding the baccalaureate degree requirements.

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### THE POLITICAL SCIENCE FIELD

Political science is the branch of knowledge concerned with the study and analysis of political institutions and processes. The political science major provides an excellent foundation that challenges the students to think critically, develop logical intellectual curiosity, and be sensitive to diverse cultures. The study of political science provides the students with a broad set of skills necessary to analyze public issues and problems, such as education, energy, pollution, crime, poverty, war/peace, and inter-group relations. The Political Science Program at Prairie View A&M University has the following network of consortia: The Center for International and Area Studies, African Studies, Latin American and Caribbean Studies, and the Pre-Law Institute. *The African Social Science Review* is published by the Political Science Program.



### ORGANIZATIONS AND HONOR SOCIETIES

PVAMU has many organizations and societies that are open to all students regardless of their major field. Some organizations and societies include:

- *Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society*
- *Blackstone Pre-Law Society*
- *Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society*
- *PolySci Club*
- *Student Government Association*

