### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER OF ARTS

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

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**For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education:**
- **Summer 2015 through Spring 2016**

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**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

| Minimum Total Hours (Thesis) | 36 |
| Minimum Total Hours (Non-Thesis) | 36 |

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**REQUIRED COURSES**

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- **PSC 5913,** Introduction to Analysis of Political and Administrative Data

**Required for Thesis students:**
- **PSC 5980,** Research for Master’s Thesis

- **2-6** hours

**CORE COURSES (18 hours):**
- **Major Emphasis** (9 hours minimum)
  - At least nine hours in the emphasis (American Government and Politics, Political Theory, Comparative Government and Politics, International Relations, Public Administration, Public Policy).

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- **Other Emphases** (9 hours minimum)
  - At least three hours (excluding PSC 5953) taken in each of three of the remaining emphases.

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**ELECTIVES (9-15 hours):**
- Hours as needed to meet the degree total requirement (36 hours) as approved by advisor and Graduate Liaison.

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**Note:**
- A research paper evaluated by a three member committee is required for non-thesis students. Up to four hours of course credit in PSC 5950 can be given for research paper.

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The master’s degree requires the equivalent of at least two semesters of satisfactory graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.

- All coursework applied to the master’s degree must carry graduate credit.
- Master’s degree programs which require a thesis consist of at least 30 credit hours. All non-thesis master’s degree programs require at least 32 credit hours.
- Credit transferred from other institutions must meet specific criteria and is subject to certain limitations.
- Courses completed through correspondence study may not be applied to the master’s degree.
- To qualify for a graduate degree, students must achieve an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the degree program coursework and in all resident graduate coursework attempted. A student must also have at least a 3.0 in all coursework (including undergraduate coursework if any).

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A student who has done satisfactory graduate work and has earned a 3.0 grade point average may file for master’s candidacy.

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**Political Science**

- **M790**
- **Master of Arts**

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