

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Timetable for the PhD Degree (MA in Political Science and International Affairs from UGA)

The PhD program of study must contain a minimum of 30 hours of graduate coursework beyond the MA, 3 of which must be POLS 9300 (Doctoral Dissertation).

These 30 hours must also include 16 hours of coursework at the 8000/9000 level, exclusive of POLS 9000 (Doctoral Research) and POLS 9300 (Doctoral Dissertation).

Students must complete a minimum of six courses in their major field and four courses in their minor field. Courses taken at the MA level at UGA count toward these field requirements.

A full-time course load is 9 hours (12 for those on assistantship, including 3 hours of POLS 9005).

PhD methods requirement beyond the 9 hours for the MA degree is 3 hours: POLS 8501

A typical PhD program of study is outlined below. Individual student programs may vary.

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Year 1	Three seminars POLS 8501, if not already taken POLS 7770 for new TAs	Three seminars
Year 2	1-3 seminars, depending on remaining credit requirements. Major professor and advisory committee established.	POLS 9300 (Doctoral Dissertation) Comprehensive exams Defend dissertation prospectus either this semester or next.
Year 3	POLS 9300 (Doctoral Dissertation) Dissertation prospectus defense, if not already completed.	POLS 9300 (Doctoral Dissertation) Dissertation defense