



Semester 1	Credits	Success Marker
ENGL 103	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
POLS 100 or 150	3	
Gen Ed: Humanities (LAS)	3	
Gen Ed: Science and Math	3-4	
UNIV 101 (optional)	1	
Total hours	15-17	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 2	Credits	Success Marker
ENGL 104	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
POLS 210, 220, 251, 260 or 285	3	
Gen Ed: Humanities (VPA)	3	
Gen Ed: Science and Math	3-4	
Total hours	15-16	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 3	Credits	Success Marker
COMS 100	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
POLS 210, 220, 251, 260 or 285	3	
Gen Ed: Humanities (LAS or VPA)	3	
Gen Ed: Social Sciences	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 4	Credits	Success Marker
MATH Core Competency	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
POLS Elective From Emphasis List	3	
Gen Ed: Social Sciences	3	
Gen Ed: Interdisciplinary Studies	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 5	Credits	Success Marker
Gen Ed: Elective	3	
POLS 410, 411, or 412	3	
POLS Elective From Emphasis List	3	
POLS Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
Elective: Minor Requirement	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 6	Credits	Success Marker
Elective (300/400 level)	3	
POLS 410, 411 or 412	3	
POLS Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
POLS Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
Elective: Minor Requirement	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 7	Credits	Success Marker
POLS Elective: 300/400 Level	3	• Apply for graduation (2/1 for May, 6/15 for August, or 9/1 for December)
Elective: Minor Requirement	3	
Elective: Minor Requirement	3	
Elective (300/400 level)	3	
Elective (300/400 level)	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments:

Semester 8	Credits	Success Marker
POLS Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
Elective: Minor Requirement	3	
Elective: Minor Requirement	3	
Elective (300/400 level)	3	
Elective (300/400 level)	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments:

Notes/Comments: This plan is an example of what a four year plan could look like for a typical student. Placement exam scores in math as well as the completion of coursework may change the plan. It should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor each semester to discuss course scheduling. All requirements are subject to change by NIU.