

Cleveland State University
Department of Philosophy and Political Science
3+3 Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and CSU LAW

Name _____

I.D. No. _____

Degree Map (Effective Fall 2026)

First Year					
Fall Semester	Credits	Core	Spring Semester	Credits	Core
Inquiry Launch Elective**	3	IL	Research & Professional Writing Elective	3	RPW
Finding Your Voice Elective	3	FYV	Quantitative & Formal Reasoning Elective	3	QFR
Human Culture & Creativity Elective	3	HCC	Data & Digital Literacy Elective	3	DDL
PSC 231 International Politics	3	SHB	Global Human Perspectives Elective	3	GHP
PSC 111 American Government	3	SHB	American Civic Literacy	3	ACL
Semester Total	15		Semester Total	15	

Second Year					
Fall Semester	Credits	Core	Spring Semester	Credits	Core
Scientific Inquiry & Investigations Elective	3	SI	Scientific Inquiry & Investigations (w/ lab)	4	SI
PSC 205 People Power Politics	3	CPS	Data & Digital Literacy Elective	3	DDL
PSC 3XX IR/Comparative Elective	3		PSC 251 Introduction to Data Analysis	3	QFR
PSC Elective 3XX	3		PSC 3XX IR/Comparative Elective	3	
General Elective (300-400)*	3		PSC 3XX American Politics Elective	3	
<i>See advisor about Law School application procedures.</i>					
Semester Total	15		Semester Total	16	

Third Year					
Fall Semester	Credits	Core	Spring Semester	Credits	Core
PSC 3XX Elective WAC/SPAC	3	WAC	General Elective (300-400)*	3	WAC
General Elective (300-400)*	3		PSC 4XX Capstone Seminar	3	
PSC 340 Foundations of Political Thought, PSC 341 Modern Political Thought or PSC 342 American Political Thought	3		PSC Elective 3XX	3	
General Elective (300-400)*	3		General Elective (300-400)*	3	
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Semester Total	15		Semester Total	15	

Fourth Year CSU College of Law*** (see CSU LAW 3+3 PROGRAM FAQs below for reference)					
Fall Semester	Credits	Core	Spring Semester	Credits	Core
LAW - Contracts	4		LAW - Criminal Law	3	
LAW - Torts	4		LAW - Civil Procedure	4	
LAW - Legislation / Regulation	4		LAW - Property	4	
LAW - Legal Writing	3		LAW - Legal Writing	3	
Semester Total	15		Semester Total	14	

Degree Total hours: 120 hours

College Program Notes: The plan above is a suggested guide to ensure that all General Education, College, University, and Major requirements are met within 3 years of study.

*General Electives ensure that a student accumulates the minimum credit hour totals needed for graduation. Students must have a **minimum of 120 total credit hours**, of which a **minimum of 42 credit hours** must be upper division (300- or 400-level courses). Depending upon other elective choices made, students may not need as many general electives as indicated above, or may need additional electives.

In order to enter the Cleveland State University College of Law in the 4th year and graduate with a B.A. in Political Science after successfully completing the first year of law school, a student must have earned 91 credit hours at the undergraduate level, and have finished their University General Education requirements, College requirements, and Major requirements.

Core Curriculum Key:

IL = Inquiry Launch (one course)

FYV = Finding Your Voice (one course, C or better required)

SHB = Society & Human Behavior (one course)

SI = Scientific Inquiry & Investigations (two courses, one lab credit)

GHP = Global Human Perspectives (one course)

** Inquiry Launch requirement is waived for transfer students.

QFR = Quantitative & Formal Reasoning (one course)

RPW = Research & Professional Writing (one course, C or better required)

HCC = Human Culture & Creativity (one course)

WAC/SPAC = Writing/Speaking Across the Curriculum Req (2 courses, one in the major)

ACL = American Civic Literacy (one course)

CPS = Complexities of a Pluralistic Society (one course)

DDL = Data & Digital Literacy (one course, can be satisfied by a second QFR course)

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*****CSU LAW 3+3 PROGRAM FAQs**

Which year/semester of the 3+3 program should the student begin taking the LSAT? Take the LSAT no later than February of your junior year, aiming for at least the minimum required score. You may want to take it earlier to allow enough time to retake the exam if needed and achieve the required score.

Which year/semester of the 3+3 program should the student submit their CSU Law application by? At some point during your junior year, ideally before February or in alignment with when your LSAT score will be released, submit your application for admission to Cleveland State University College of Law.

Which year/semester does the student have to have the 3+3 Program Eligibility Verification form completed and submitted to CSU Law? Have your advisor complete and submit the 3+3 Program Eligibility Verification form during your junior year, after confirming that you have earned at least 91 undergraduate credit hours.

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