



DIVISION OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

PRE-LAW

— FOUR-YEAR PLAN —

ABOUT

The SNU Politics and Law program strives to equip students to be thoughtful and knowledgeable voices and actors in the political, economic, and social debates of the day. It has a dedicated pre-law track for students wishing to pursue a legal career. It aims to train students to think analytically and write effectively- two skills which are essential for law school and beyond. It also has a political science track for those looking to work in any number of related fields, businesses, and policy areas.

The program covers courses in the main areas of political science – American Government, Comparative Politics, International Relations, Intro to Law – and numerous electives that examine the political context in a variety of topics, such as sports and politics, nuclear weapons, East Asian politics, Constitutional law and American foreign policy.



DEGREE PLAN

***The courses listed are for this specific program and are in addition to the general education courses required for all students. See the reverse side or go to snu.edu/gen-ed for more information on those courses.*

YEAR 1

US History 1
US History 2

YEAR 2

Introduction to Political Studies
Introduction to Law
Logic
Ethics
State & Local Government*

YEAR 3

Internship
Constitutional Law*
Pre-Law Elective
Business Law*

YEAR 4

Legislative Process*
Judicial Process*
Sports Law*
Criminal Law*

**Denotes an elective, 24 elective hours total needed*



GENERAL EDUCATION

General Education forms the foundation of every student's academic journey at SNU. As a Christian liberal arts university, we are committed to equipping students with the knowledge, values, and skills essential for their development as both thoughtful Christians and engaged community leaders. Our General Education curriculum is intentionally designed to be both comprehensive and flexible—allowing students to pursue their individual interests while ensuring they graduate prepared for lifelong learning, service, and growth.

The General Education program consists of approximately 51 credit hours that introduce and develop important skills such as the:

- Importance of thinking critically and solving problems
- Ability to communicate effectively
- Appreciation of human creativity
- Importance of science and technology in the 21st century
- Power of social responsibility in our community
- Awareness of global diversity
- Role of our Christian faith in daily life

Students take at least one foundational course and one upper-level windows course in each of these areas.

Central to SNU's mission is the engagement of students in transformational learning experiences designed to explore what it means to seek truth together with a Christ-centered community of scholars.

YEAR 1

- Composition I & Composition II
- Introduction to Speech
- A foundation course in Social Responsibility
- A foundation course in Science & Technology
- Christian Faith & Life

YEAR 2

- Modern World
- Aesthetics
- A foundation course in Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
- Old Testament or New Testament Literature & Life

YEAR 3

- A windows course in Social Responsibility
- A windows course in Effective Communication
- A windows course in Science & Technology
- A windows course in Critical Thinking & Problem Solving

YEAR 4

- A windows course in Global Perspectives
- A windows course in Artistic Expression
- Foundations of Christian Belief