

# HOW TO GRADUATE IN POSC

## University and major requirements, and filing procedures

Wondering whether you are ready to graduate? Not sure how to file for graduation or walk in the commencement ceremony? Here's your self checklist (hint: your Academic Requirements Report on MyCSULB can help you assess your standing).



### UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

#### - UNITS:

120 total  
40 must be upper division (300-499) courses  
at least 30 at CSULB  
No more than 20 activity course units

#### - GRADUATE WRITING ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENT

#### - MINIMUM GPAs of 2.0:

overall/cumulative GPA (all college courses)  
CSULB GPA (all courses taken at CSULB)  
major GPA (all POSC courses)

#### - GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

### POSC MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

39 total units

- CORE: 6 units- POSC 100 and POSC 300
- CONCENTRATION: 18 units in either Global Politics, Law Politics and Policy, or Political Theory
- BREADTH: 15 units in non-concentration areas
- PRACTICUM: taken in the concentration or breadth, a course that links the classroom to the outside world



### GRADUATION

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### COMMENCEMENT

#### - READY TO OFFICIALLY COMPLETE YOUR DEGREE?

Log into MyCSULB and complete the online graduation request and payment process. To file for a spring graduation, file by the previous October 15; by March 1 for the next fall.

The university will then begin the process to evaluate whether you have completed all of the requirements to get your diploma!

#### - WANT TO WALK IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY?

The ceremony is officially called "commencement" and it is held each May. Students who complete their degrees in spring, the previous fall or winter, or during the next summer or fall may walk in the ceremony.

Details about cap and gown rental, program listing, tickets, and more, are on the CSULB website. Search for "Commencement."



## Need more details?

<http://www.cla.csulb.edu/departments/polisci/>



The official major requirements worksheet and much more info are on the department website. Find complete course specifics in the CSULB catalog and the CSULB schedule of classes.



Questions? Make an appointment or attend a workshop with a POSC or College of Liberal Arts-ATLAS advisor.