

**AREAS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**AREA I– Philippine Government and Politics**

**AREA II– Political Dynamics**

**AREA III– Comparative Government and Politics**

**AREA IV– International Relations**

**AREA V– Political Theory and Methodology**



**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
College of Social Sciences and Philosophy  
University of the Philippines



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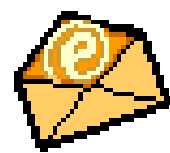
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**PhD in  
Political Science**

**APPLICATION PERIOD:**  
**MARCH 1-15**  
**SEPTEMBER 1-15**

**(Incomplete requirements  
by the end of the  
application period  
will not be accepted.)**





#### A. Documents Required

- 1) Letter of application addressed to the Chair through the Graduate Program Coordinator;
- 2) Two (2) copies (one original, one photocopy) of the Transcript of Records of all undergraduate and graduate work of the applicant (the TOR may be retrieved by the applicant if the application is rejected);
- 3) Two (2) copies of filled-out application forms (which may be downloaded from the department website) each accompanied by a 2" x 2" ID picture recently taken;
- 4) Three (3) letters of recommendation from former professors and/ or employers (recommendation form may also be downloaded from the department website);
- 5) Official receipt obtained from the Cashier's Office after paying Php 100 application fee (if Filipino citizen), Php 200 (if a resident alien), and US \$ 25 (if a foreign citizen);
- 6) A certificate of English language proficiency with at least a 500 TOEFL score (only for foreign applicants, unless they come from institutions where the medium of instruction is English which should be indicated in a certificate from the institution); and
- 7) Two (2) copies (one original, one photocopy) of NSO- certified birth certificate.

#### B. Grade Requirement

- 1) Graduates of the University of the Philippines must have a General Weighted Average (GWA) of at least 2.0 in their undergraduate and graduate courses;.
- 2) For the non-UP graduates, they must have a GWA of at least 1.75 or its equivalent.

C. The applicant must take a sit-in essay exam and present himself/ herself for interview. These are only for the applicants whose GWA passes the department's requirements. Those with lower GWA need not apply as the department has strict admission policies to maintain its reputation as one of the Centers of Excellence in the Social Sciences.



- 1) Completion of a program of study consisting of at least 45 units of formal graduate courses, excluding dissertation, in the case of a student admitted into the doctoral program with a Master's degree in an unrelated field; and of at least 30 units of formal graduate courses, excluding dissertation, in the case of a student admitted into the doctoral program with a Master's degree related to the discipline;

- 2) Maintenance of a Cumulative Weighted Average Grade (CWAG) OF 1.75 or better at the end of each academic year until completion of the program of study;
- 3) Passing the comprehensive examination after completion of all course work in the program of study and those units stipulated by the Residency Rules, if applicable, and the language/ statistics proficiency requirement;
- 4) Being enrolled in residence in the program during the following phases:
  - Candidacy/ Comprehensive Examination period;
  - Defense of the research proposal;
  - Duration of the research;
  - Oral defense of the dissertation.
- 5) Completion of a doctoral dissertation based on significant, independent, original, scientific research or creative work;
- 6) Successful public oral defense of the doctoral dissertation;
- 7) Submission of at least 5 certified bound copies of approved doctoral dissertation;