American University
School of Public Affairs
Department of Government

American Politics
Master of Arts, Political Science

Degree Requirements:
-- 33 credit hours of approved graduate courses
-- Minimum GPA of 3.0 for good academic standing and graduation
-- A written comprehensive examination in the major field (fall or spring semester)
-- Courses are 3-credits each unless otherwise stated.

Research Methods (6 credits)

___ GOVT-650 Political Analysis (fall semester; Prerequisite for GOVT-653)
___ GOVT-653 Intro to Quantitative Methods in Political Science (spring semester)

Complete 15 credit hours from the following:

___ GOVT-651 The Legislative Process (spring semester)
___ GOVT-652 The Presidency and the Executive Branch (fall semester)

Complete 9 credit hours of approved courses on American Politics, politics and policy, public opinion, political behavior, elections, parties, or interest groups

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Comparative Politics or Political Theory courses at the 600-level (3 credits)

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Additional (9 credit hours) in political science or other disciplines, which may include 3 credit hours of GOVT-691 Internship

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