

Executive Summary of Program Assessment

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Campus: UMKC

College/School: College of Arts and Sciences (if applicable)

Academic Unit: Department of Political Science

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Submitted by: Office of the Provost

Degree Programs

Degree (e.g., BS, MA, PhD)	Degree Program	Enrollment		Number of Degrees Awarded	
		Most Recent Fall Semester 2017	5-Year Fall Semester Average	Most Recent Academic Year 2017	5-Year Average
BA	Political Science	101	107	16	26
MA	Political Science	5	0	7	4

Changes Since Last Review

Partnership with the School of Law to develop the JD/MA program, which was launched in Fall 2018.

Strategies or Plans for Improving Program

We have designed an international studies minor for the undergraduate program that will allow students to specialize in either political and economic or socio-cultural awareness. This program, which is moving through the curriculum approval process, will complement the International Studies major, to be headquartered in foreign languages.

One of the key challenges is to make our education as accessible as possible to as many people as possible. We plan to add to our online course catalog to attract students who need the flexible scheduling allowed by that teaching method. The department is also dedicated to increasing affordability to students, through use of open access resources, and offering consistent and flexible coursework to ensure students can complete the major in a timely manner.

Other Comments