WRIGHT STATE
UNIVERSITY

Foreign Service Certificate - Graduate
Semester Checksheet

Student:_____   UID:_____

Advisor:_____   Major:_____

Foreign Service Certificate

The Foreign Service certificate is intended for students who are interested in careers in diplomacy, or in the foreign service of a national government, including the U.S. Department of State. Students learn about U.S. foreign relations, the conduct of diplomacy, and prepare specifically for the U.S. State Department Foreign Service Exam.

Students interested in the certificate should contact the faculty advisor, Dr. Vaughn Shannon (vaughn.shannon@wright.edu), 314 Millett.

Admissions Requirements

Any degree-seeking WSU graduate student may apply to the program by meeting with the certificate advisor. If not a current degree-seeking student, applicants for the graduate certificate may apply for the certificate only through the graduate school.

Learning Outcomes

- Understand the fundamentals of international relations, diplomacy and U.S. Foreign Policy

- Be able to succeed in the U.S. Department of State's Foreign Service Exam

- Prepare for a career in diplomacy or foreign service

Program Completion Requirements

_ Minimum overall 3.00 GPA in certificate courses

_ Complete the capstone course by taking the practice foreign service exam

_ Pass the exit paper with a grade of B or better

Required Courses ....**3 hours**

        PLS 6730 American Foreign Policy   3

            OR

        PLS 6881 Diplomacy and Negotiation   3

Electives ....**9 hours**

Choose any three of the following courses, courses taken as a required course cannot be counted twice.

        HST 6550 Studies in U.S. Foreign Relations   3

        PLS 6520 International Human Rights   3

        PLS 6630 International Conflict   3

        PLS 6710 International Law   3

        PLS 6720 Terrorism and Counterterrorism   3

        PLS 6730 American Foreign Policy   3

        PLS 6770 International Organizations   3

        PLS 6860 Model UN Seminar   3

            (Course can only count once for credit)

        PLS 6881 Diplomacy and Negotiation   3

Capstone ....**1 hour**

        PLS 6890 Foreign Service Seminar   1

Total ....**13 credit hours**

*Other courses may count toward the certificate if approved by the program director