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APSA Statement Regarding Proposed Changes to the University System of Georgia's General Education Requirements

The American Political Science Association strongly supports the inclusion of American Government courses in general education requirements. Introductory political science courses such as the University System of Georgia's Introduction to American Government (POLS 1101) provide a critical foundation for students' development as informed and effective citizens regardless of their area of study. We urge the Board of Regents to maintain the university system's comprehensive requirements that support students' understanding of the political and institutional frameworks of the nation and state that will shape their future.

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