

Political Science

Political Science AA-T Degree

The Associate in Arts for Transfer in Political Science is designed to provide the transfer student with the opportunity to take lower division courses that could be applied to a political science major at a four year university. Politics is the struggle of who gets what, when and how. A broad spectrum of groups fight for their interests locally, nationally or globally. Political Science looks at the interaction between the individual or group and the government such as local and state governments creating a budget to national governments combating terrorism abroad.

The student who majors in Political Science will become more aware of current events and how those events impact their daily lives. As a Political Science major students may become more politically active and more civic responsible. An AA-T in Political Science would be a stepping stone to many other career fields such as teaching, law, local, state and federal government work and group advocacy.

Upon completion of the political science program, students will be able to:

- Evaluate and summarize research material without involving their own political beliefs or bias.
- State different types of governments and explain their historical developments and political processes within a given country.
- Identify different political theories and apply those theories to contemporary issues
- Differentiate between different theories.

This program is intended for students planning to transfer to a California State University. Students must fulfill the following requirements to qualify for an associate degree for transfer:

- Complete CSU GE Breadth or IGETC pattern
- Complete the major course requirements as specified in the catalog with a C or better
- Complete electives to reach a total of 60 transferable units
- Maintain a grade point average of 2.0 overall
- Complete the English, Critical Thinking, Communication, and Math requirements with a C or better

This program has 50 percent or more of the major courses available via distance education/online

<i>Course #</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Units</i>
Required Core Courses		
POLSCI-001.	American Government.	3
Select Three Courses (9 units):		
POLSCI-002.	Comparative Government.	3
POLSCI-004.	Introduction to International Relations.	3
POLSCI-005.	Introduction to Political Theory.	3
POLSCI-010.	Modern Politics.	3
MATH-025..	Introduction to Statistics.	4
Select Two Courses (6 units):		

Any courses not selected above, any CSU transferable political science courses, and/or other courses that are articulated as lower division preparation for the political science major at a CSU, or any CSU transferable introductory course in the social sciences.

<i>Course #</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Units</i>
AOJ-001.....	Introduction to Criminal Justice.....	3
AOJ-029.....	Criminology.....	3
CD-005.....	Child Development.....	3
ECON-001A..	Macroeconomics.....	3
ECON-001B..	Microeconomics.....	3
GEOG-002...	World Regional Geography.....	3
GEOG-003...	Cultural Geography.....	3
GEOG-018...	Geography of California.....	3
HIST-004A..	Western Europe to 1700.....	3
HIST-004B..	Western Europe from 1700.....	3
HIST-017A..	History of the United States 1492-1877.....	3
HIST-017B..	History of the United States 1865-Present.....	3
PE-029.....	Introduction to Sport and Exercise Psychology.....	3
POLSCI-020.	Judicial and Legal Reasoning.....	3
PSYCH-001..	Introductory Psychology.....	3
PSYCH-002..	Abnormal Psychology.....	3
PSYCH-003..	Developmental Psychology.....	3
PSYCH-005..	Biological Psychology.....	3
SOC-001.....	Introduction to Sociology.....	3
SOC-002.....	Critical Thinking and Social Problems.....	3
SOC-003.....	Marriage and Family Relations.....	3
SW-020.....	Introduction to Social Welfare.....	3
	Total.....	18-19
	Units to be double-counted as General Education.....	6-18
	CSU GE Breadth or IGETC Units.....	39
	Transferable Elective Units.....	8-21
	Total	

***PSYCH 29 and PE 29 are cross-listed as the same class*