POLITICAL SCIENCE, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

The Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in Political Science or similar major (e.g., bachelor's degree in Political Science, Government, Urban Planning, History, Law, ~~or~~ International Studies) at a CSU campus. Students completing the degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system but not to a particular campus or major.

Students transferring to a CSU campus that accepts the Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree (unless the major is a designated "high-unit" major at a particular campus). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system. For a current list of what majors (and what options or areas of emphasis within that major) have been designated as "similar" to this degree at each CSU campus, please refer to California State University Associate Degree for Transfer website (https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/associate-degree-for-transfer-major-and-campus-search.aspx). Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete the degree for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

To earn an Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer, students must meet the following requirements:

1. Complete 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
   a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC for CSU) or the California State University General Educational-Breadth (CSU GE-Breadth) requirements.
   b. A minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework. While a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for admission, some transfer institutions and majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.
3. Obtain a grade of "C" or better, or "P," in all courses required in the major or area of emphasis. Even though a "P" grade is allowed (Title 5, Section 55062), it is recommended that students complete their major courses with a letter grade ("A," "B," or "C") due to unit limitations on "P/NP" courses.
4. Complete requirements in residency. For students in the Ventura County Community College District, a minimum of 12 units must be completed in residence within the college district.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
Required Core		
- Select 3 courses (9 units) from the following:		
POLS V01	American Government	3
POLS V02	Comparative Government	3
POLS V04	Introduction to Political Theory	3
POLS V05	Introduction to International Relations	3

Total Required Core Units:		**9**
Additional Requirements		
- List A: Select 2 courses (6 units) from the following:		
Any course not selected from the Core		3
POLS V03	Introduction to Political Science	3
MATH V44	Elementary Statistics	4
or PSY V04	Introductory Statistics for the Social and Behavioral Sciences	
- List B. Select one course (3 units)		
Any course not selected above		3 - 4
POLS V09	United States-Mexico Relations	3
POLS V11	Government and Politics of Mexico	3
POLS V12/ESRM V03	Introduction to Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management	3
POLS V14	Global Studies	3
POLS V17	Introduction to American Law	3
POLS V18	Introduction to Global Issues	3
Total Additional Required Units		**9-10**
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Total Required Major Units:		**18 - 19**

CSU GE-Breadth Pattern	
Required Major Units	18 - 19
CSU GE-Breadth Units	39
Double-Counted Units	(6 - 9)
Elective (CSU Transferable) Units to reach 60	8 - 12
Total Units for the Associate Degree for Transfer	**60**
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IGETC Pattern	
Required Major Units	18 - 19
IGETC Pattern Units	37
Double-Counted Units	(3 - 6)
Elective (CSU Transferable) Units to reach 60	7-11
Total Units for the Associate Degree for Transfer	**60**

Please see a counselor or consult* assist.org (http://assist.org)*, especially if you plan to transfer to a UC campus or a college or university other than CSU.

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Identify and explain Political Science concepts.
- Understand Political Science institutions and processes.
- Analyze key issues related to Political Science.