

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)

This degree is designed to prepare students for a seamless transition to a California State University. Students completing this degree will have an introductory foundation for the field of Political Science through the study of theories, groups and relationships, and a better understanding of how political and governmental institutions make and implement decisions and the effects those decisions have on individual, group, and societal behavior. Students will acquire skills to think critically, communicate ideas and become more informed citizens.

Programs Outcomes

- Demonstrate the ability to explain and evaluate the significant factors that influence the American and other political systems.
- Demonstrate the ability to apply the knowledge of politics by using the major analytical and theoretical framework in several subfields or political science.
- Be prepared for active citizenship and begin to develop an ongoing interest in national and global politics.

Transfer & Career Opportunities

This Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer (AA-T) Degree is intended to meet the lower division requirements for political science for all CSU campuses. Students planning to transfer to institutions other than the CSU are encouraged to consult ASSIST.org (<http://ASSIST.org>) and a COS counselor for program planning and course selection. Most common career opportunities with a baccalaureate degree include: civil service, education, law (including paralegal studies), journalist, and lobbyist, among many others.

Code	Title	Units
GENERAL EDUCATION		37-39
Select one of the following General Education patterns:		
California State University General Education (CSU-GE) *		
Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC-CSU) **		
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REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES		16
POLS 005	Federal, State and Local Government *	3
POLS 006	Comparative Politics *	3
POLS 008	International Relations	3
POLS 011	Political Theory and Thought	3
SSCI 025	Statistics - Social Sciences *	4
RESTRICTED ELECTIVES #		3
Select one of the following courses:		
POLS 012	Introduction to Political Science	3
ECON 040	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ELECTIVES		14-16

Select additional transferable courses numbered 1-199 to achieve 60 units. The Communication Studies Department recommends the additional units be met by completing the following lower division major preparation courses.

ANTH 010	Cultural Anthropology	3
SSCI 050	Law and Democracy	3
SOC 002	Social Problems	3
HIST 005	Western Civilization Since 1648	3
HIST 004	History of Western Civilization to 1648	3
GEOG 002	World Regional Geography	3
ETHN 001	Black American Studies	3
ETHN 002	American Indian Studies	3
ETHN 003	Chicana and Chicano Studies	3
ETHN 004	Asian American Studies	3
ETHN 005		3
ETHN 010	Introduction to Ethnic Studies and Social Justice Studies	3
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TOTAL		60

- * Course(s) meets General Education requirement and 12 units may be double counted above in 1A (CSU GE).
- ** 12 units may be double counted above in 1B (IGETC-CSU). IGETC-CSU requires completion of IGETC AREA 1C.
- # The department recommends CSU-bound students select POLS 012 and UC-bound students select ECON 040.

The Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer requirements include completion of the 60 unit program defined above with at least 12 units taken in residence at College of the Sequoias with a "C" (2.0) average and a "C" or better grade in all required major and restricted electives courses (see Transfer Information and Requirements (<https://catalog.cos.edu/transfer-information-requirements/>) for additional details).