

GUIDED PATHWAY TO POLITICAL SCIENCE AA-T DEGREE MAPPING YOUR COURSES (RECOMMENDATIONS)

KEY: M = Major, GE = General Education, E = Elective

SEMESTER 1							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units
✓	✓		✓	POLSC 001 - American Government and Institutions	3	D	14
	✓			ENG 001A - Reading and Composition	3	A2	
	✓			GE Pattern - Choose One C1 Course	3	C1	
	✓			GUID 008 - Education and Interpersonal Growth	3	E	
		✓		LIBRY 001 - Library Information Literacy	1	N/A	
		✓		Any PEACTIV Course	1	E	

SEMESTER 2							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units
✓	✓			BUS 008 - Introduction to Law and Society	3	D	14
	✓			ENG 1B - Written Communications OR ENG 1D - Critical Composition	3	A3	
	✓			GEOG 001 - Physical Geography AND GEOG 001L - Physical Geography Lab	4	B1	
	✓			COM ST 001A - Fundamentals of Speech	3	A1	
				Any PEACTIV Course	1	E	

SEMESTER 3							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units
✓				POLSC 005 - International Relations	3	D	16
✓				POLSC 002 - Introduction to Comparative Politics	3	D	
	✓			PSYCH 002 - Statistical Methods for Psychology & Social Science	3	B4	
	✓			GE Pattern - Choose One C2 Course	3	C2	
	✓			ECON 005 - Principles of Macroeconomics	3	D	
				Any PEACTIV Course	1	E	

SEMESTER 4							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units
✓				POLSC 003 - Introduction to Political Theory	3	D	16
✓				POLSC 006 - International Political Economy	3	D	
	✓			NR 002 - Natural Resources	3	B2	
	✓			GE Pattern - Choose One C1 or C2 Course	3	C1 or C2	
	✓			ANTHRO 001 - Cultural Anthropology	3	D	
				Any PEACTIV Course	1	E	

AA-T ELECTIVES

ECON 003 - Principle of Microeconomics

HIST 002A/002B - World History to 1600/World History Since 1600

HIST 004A/004B - History of Western Civilization

POLSC 004 - California Politics

PSYCH 006 - Lifespan Psychology

PSYCH 001 - Introduction to Psychology

SOC 001A - Introduction to Sociology

Political Science, AA-T

The Associate Arts in Political Science for Transfer is designed to provide a seamless pathway for students planning to transfer to a California State University (CSU) with a major in political science. Politics has an impact on everybody's lives, and as citizens and voters students should be informed about political issues and choices. Majors in political science learn to think critically, express their opinions in a thoughtful manner, analyze political events, evaluate political ideologies and make informed decisions on how to participate in political processes. The goal for study as a political science major is to maximize students' capacity to analyze and interpret the dynamics of political events and governmental processes and their significance. Training in political science courses should equip students with analytical skills including: (1) the ability to recognize and understand the use of theory, analytic frames and models and their use to interpret and understand political phenomena. (2) the ability to recognize the importance of and to weigh the worth of evidence marshaled to support or oppose an argument. (3) the ability coherently to systematize and accumulate political information and knowledge and to use this stock of knowledge to better understand the political world. With these skills, and the ability to read and think critically, to write effectively and express themselves clearly, students can undertake a variety of careers. Students with a political science major enter careers in business, law, teaching, government, and in policy-related fields. The political science major complements a student's liberal arts education with an emphasis on understanding the theoretical and practical aspects of government and politics. The major is structured to provide students with a background in the basic fields of political science, as well as to permit them a range of choice in completing the program.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Analyze world politics and diplomacy in the international system.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of contemporary comparative systems and governments.
3. Identify the institutions, players and processes in American national and state governments.
4. Assess how the design of political institutions and processes affect policy and stability.
5. Recognize, describe and analyze the significant and usually direct influence of social, economic and cultural factors on political behavior, beliefs, and institutions.
6. Examine and apply theories, concepts, and practices in political theory.
7. Identify and employ the pertinent vocabulary of political discourse and political science.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - CORE REQUIREMENTS

Complete 3 units

- POLSC 001 - American Government and Institutions Units: 3

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - RESTRICTED ELECTIVES

Area A

Complete 9 units selected from:

- POLSC 002 - Introduction to Comparative Politics Units: 3
 - POLSC 003 - Introduction to Political Theory Units: 3
 - POLSC 005 - International Relations Units: 3
 - PSYCH 002 - Introduction to Psych Stats Units: 3
- OR**
- MATH 012 - Introduction to Probability and Statistics Units: 4

Area B

Complete 6 units selected from:

- POLSC 004 - California Politics Units: 3
- POLSC 006 - International Political Economy Units: 3
- BUS 008 - Introduction to Law and Society Units: 3

Minimum Major Units Required: 18

Complete all course with a grade of "C" or better.

Minimum Degree Units Required: 60

Law, Public Policy, and Society, AA-T

The Associate in Arts in Law, Public Policy, and Society for Transfer has been identified as good preparation for law school upon completion of a bachelor's degree. The interdisciplinary coursework emphasizes the development of communication skills, introduces students to the legal field, and prepares students for further study in a variety of majors. Students who opt to pursue this course of study are encouraged to engage in further exploration of one or more specific majors as they select electives for degree completion. Courses required for the degree align with the Pre-Law Studies Certificate offered by the College and the Pathway to Law program sponsored by the State Bar of California. Students are encouraged to see a counselor for assistance in developing an educational plan.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Students will demonstrate knowledge of the field of law and the various classifications of the law, including being able to distinguish among the various parts of a contract.
- Students will demonstrate the ability to identify and explain the ideas and institutions that make up the American political system, including the legal field, to describe the evolution of civil liberties and rights in the United States and apply this knowledge to current events and legal issues, and to recognize the role of public opinion, interest groups, ethics and political parties regarding the electoral process, law, and public policy in society.
- Students will develop communication skills and demonstrate the ability to effectively write and speak to persuade a diversity of audiences. The development of communication skills will also include demonstration of the ability to analyze, criticize, and advocate for ideas, to communicate for a variety of purposes, to read and comprehend a diversity of texts, and to think critically. Additionally, students will demonstrate the ability to develop awareness of society and its historical roots, as well as to appreciate diversity and to be sensitive to the impact of race, sex, and class on the American experience. Through this program, students will demonstrate the ability to organize information, to engage in argumentation to support a position, to evaluate and cite sources, to explain the historical development of American institutions in law and society, to demonstrate facility with numbers, and to conduct research.

General Education

Complete one of the following general education patterns:

- California State University General Education Requirements (CSU-GE), Certificate of Achievement Pattern Units: 40
- Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum - CSU Version (IGETC-CSU), Certificate of Achievement Pattern Units: 37

Students are advised to double-count courses in the major or area of emphasis to also satisfy general education when possible. Course subject credit will be awarded in satisfaction of both major/area of emphasis and lower division general education requirements, but the units will only be counted once in computing the total number of units for the degree.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - CORE

Complete 9 units:

- BUS 008 - Introduction to Law and Society Units: 3
- POLSC 001 - American Government and Institutions Units: 3
- ENG 001A - Reading and Composition Units: 3

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - RESTRICTED ELECTIVES

Oral Communication

Complete 3 units selected from:

- COM ST 001A - Public Speaking Units: 3
- COM ST 005 - Argumentation and Debate Units: 3

Critical Thinking

Complete 3 units selected from:

- COM ST 012 - Introduction to Persuasion Units: 3
- ENG 001D - Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking Units: 3
- PHILO 030 - Introductory Logic Units: 3

Quantitative Reasoning

Complete 3 units selected from:

- MATH 012 - Introduction to Probability and Statistics Units: 4
- PSYCH 002 - Statistical Methods For Psychology & Social Science Units: 3

U. S. History

Complete 3 units selected from:

- HIST 017A - History of the United States Units: 3
- HIST 017B - History of the United States Units: 3

Business

Complete 3 units selected from:

- BUS 018A - Business Law Units: 3
- BUS 019 - Legal Environment of Business Units: 3

Ethics

Complete 3 units selected from:

- BUS 009 - Ethical Reasoning/Ethics in Practice Units: 3
- PHILO 040 - Ethics Units: 3

Administration of Justice/Criminal Justice/Criminology, Economics, Political Science, Public Policy, Diversity, College Success, Internship/Fieldwork

Complete 3 units selected from:

- A J 021- Criminal Justice in Society Units: 3
- A J 022 - Concepts of Criminal Law Units: 3
- A J 023 - Principles and Procedures of the Justice System Units: 3
- A J 024 - Legal Aspects of Evidence Units: 3
- A J 028 - Juvenile Law and Procedures Units: 3
- A J 040 - Community Relations Units: 3
- A J 051 - Introduction to Correctional Science Units: 3
- ANTHR 001 - Cultural Anthropology Units: 3
- BUS 033 - Introduction to Public Administration Units: 3
- BUS 068V - Internship: Pathway to Law Program Units: 1-4
- COM ST 007 - Intercultural Communication Units: 3
- ECON 003 - Principles of Microeconomics Units: 3
- ECON 005 - Principles of Macroeconomics Units: 3
- GEOG 002 - Cultural Geography Units: 3
- HIST 030A - African-American History to 1877 Units: 3
- HIST 030B - African-American History Since 1877 Units: 3
- HIST 031 - Mexican-American History Units: 3
- HIST 034 - Asian Pacific American History Units: 3
- POLSC 002 - Introduction to Comparative Politics Units: 3
- POLSC 003 - Introduction to Political Theory Units: 3
- POLSC 005 - International Relations Units: 3

Minimum Major Units Required: 30

Complete all courses with a grade of “C” or better.

Minimum Degree Units Required: 60

PATHWAY TO LAW PROGRAM: CALIFORNIA LAW SCHOLAR/LAW CERTIFICATE

Course (3 units: All meet General Education requirements)

- Introduction to American Legal System (Business 008)
- Reading and Composition (English 001A)
- Written CommunicationsII: A Critical Introduction to Literature (English 001B) or Advanced Composition & Critical Thinking (English 001D)
- Fundamentals of Speech (Communications Studies 001A) only class that fulfills the CSU IGETC requirement or Communication Studies 005: Argumentation and Debate orCommunication Studies 012: Introduction to Persuasion
- Introduction to Probability and Statistics (Math 012) or Statistical Methods for Psychology & Social Science (Psychology 002)
- United States History (one of the following: 017A, 017B, 030A, 030B, 031, or 034)
- American Government and Institutions (Political Science 001)

Additional Courses (1 unit)

- Service and Civic Learning (BUS 038Y/POLSCI 015V)
- College Success (To Be Announced)

STUDENT EDUCATION PLAN

SEMESTER (Fall)							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units

SEMESTER (Spring)							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units

SEMESTER (Summer)							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units

SEMESTER (Fall)							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units

SEMESTER (Spring)							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units

SEMESTER (Summer)							
M	GE	E	Other	Course	Units	Prerequisites, Area Fulfilled	Total Units

IMPORTANT LINKS/URLS FOR ARTICULATION

ASSIST

- Assist is an online student-transfer information system that shows how course credits earned at one public California college or university can be applied when transferred to another. ASSIST is the official repository of articulation for California's public colleges and universities and provides the most accurate and up-to-date information about student transfer in California.

ASSIST.ORG

CAREER COACH

- Provides search by major and information about job numbers, wages, and overall career area growth.

<http://ccc.emsicc.com/>

DATA DASHBOARD (UC & CSU transfer numbers)

- ***<https://www.deltacollege.edu/campus-offices/instruction-and-planning/institutional-research-and-effectiveness/data-dashboards>***