

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER

The Political Science major will provide students with a framework for understanding political theories, institutions, and processes. Students develop skills for critically evaluating issues and applying appropriate research methodologies for understanding political behavior. The Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer is designed to prepare students for a seamless transfer into the CSU system to complete a baccalaureate degree in Political Science or similar major. Priority admission with junior status to the CSU system will be granted. Students completing this degree are exempt from Mendocino College Institutional Requirements.

Required Courses – Major:		Units
POL 200	American Government and Politics	3
Plus 9-10 additional units selected from the following:		Units
POL 201	Comparative Politics	3
POL 202	Political Theory	3
POL 203	International Relations	3
MTH 220	Statistics	4
Plus 6 additional units selected from the following or any course not used above:		Units
ECO 200	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
HST 200	History of Western Civilization I	3
HST 201	History of Western Civilization II	3
HST 202	The United States to 1877	3
HST 203	The United States Since 1865	3
HST 206	World History Since 1500	3
HST 221	California History	3
HST 250	Contemporary America: The People and the Issues	3
POL 197	Political Science Internship	1 - 8
POL 204	California Government and Politics	3
POL 205	Native Americans and Federal Indian Policy	3
SOC 201	Social Problems	3
Total Major Units		18 - 19
Total Degree Units		60

Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Understand the structure and role of governmental institutions.
2. Analyze key political concepts and ideas.
3. Evaluate key political issues.

Career Opportunities in POLITICAL SCIENCE

Completing the baccalaureate degree or graduate level work can lead to a variety of opportunities including activist/organizer, campaign manager/consultant, elected official, journalist/communications Director, lobbyist, attorney, government relations manager, mediator, teacher/professor, public administrator, foreign service or intelligence officer, civil service executive, and researcher/policy analyst.

Associate Degree for Transfer requirements pursuant to SB 1440:

- 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU-transferable units.
- the California State University-General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth); OR the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern.
- a minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district.
- obtainment of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.
- earn a grade of C or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.