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

The goal of the Political Science Program at Santa Barbara City College is to prepare students to develop the fundamental understanding of the American political experience as a unique experiment in "self-government," going beyond studying how America is governed to look at other political systems with a view to realizing the differences and commonalities between these political systems. The program examines these differences in an attempt to understand something about the degree to which one system is better suited to a country than another, and whether or not one can indeed speak of one type of political arrangement as the "best." Our discipline also seeks to understand the causes, dynamics and possibilities of conflict and conflict resolution in the international arena, by studying the interactions of states, international organizations, non-governmental organizations, and non-state actors on the global scene.

The Associate in Arts degree in Political Science for Transfer provides students with the foundational knowledge in Political Science to make a successful transition into a Baccalaureate Degree in Political Science at any of the CSU campuses. This degree is in compliance with the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Senate Bill 1440, codified in California Education Code sections 66746-66749) and guarantees admission to a California State University (CSU) campus for any community college student who completes an “associate degree for transfer,” a variation of the associate degree traditionally offered at a California community college. Upon completion of the transfer associate degree, the student is eligible for transfer with junior standing in to the California State University (CSU) system. Students will be given priority consideration when applying to a particular program that is similar to the student’s community college area of emphasis. Visit www.sb1440.org and https://adegreewithaguarantee.com/ for the latest information about these degrees.

Requirements

Associate Degree for Transfer Graduation Requirements

Complete all of the following:

1. All Department Requirements listed below with a "C" or better or "P" in each course.
2. IGETC-CSU or the CSU GE Breadth pattern.
3. A total of 60 CSU transferable semester units.
4. Maintain a minimum cumulative CSU transferable GPA of 2.0.
5. A total of 12 units through SBCC.

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<td>POLS 101</td>
<td>American Government And Politics</td>
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<td>POLS 121</td>
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<td>POLS 131</td>
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<td>PSY 150</td>
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<td>or MATH 117</td>
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Any List A course not used above

ACCT 230 | Financial Accounting                                      |       |
ANTH 102 | Introduction To Archaeology                               |       |
or ANTH 102H | Introduction To Archaeology, Honors                        |       |
ANTH 103 | Introduction To Cultural Anthropology                      |       |
ANTH 109 | Comparative World Cultures                                  |       |
ANTH 113 | Witchcraft, Magic, Science And Religion                    |       |
ASAM 101 | Comparative Asian-American History, 1849-1965              |       |
ASAM 102 | Contemporary Asian-American History                        |       |
BLST 101 | The African-American In U.S. History To World War II       |       |
BLST 102 | The African-American In U.S. History, From Civil Rights Movement To Present |       |
or BLST 102H | The African-American In U.S. History, from Civil Rights To Present |       |
BLST 103 | African-American Culture                                   |       |
BLAW 101 | Business Law                                               |       |
CHST 101 | Mexican-American (Chicano) History In The U.S.             |       |
CHST 102 | The Chicano And Latino In U.S. History, From The 1960's To The Present |       |
CHST 103 | Mexican-American (Chicano) Culture                         |       |
CHST 121 | The Chicana And Other Latina Women                          |       |
COMM 101 | Introduction to Communication                              |       |
COMM 151 | Intercultural Communication                                |       |
COMM 171 | Mass Media And Society                                     |       |
ERTH 142/ | Economic Geography                                        |       |
GEOG 105 |                                                   |       |
ECON 101 | Microeconomics                                             |       |
or ECON 101H | Microeconomics, Honors                                      |       |
ECON 102 | Macroeconomics                                             |       |
or ECON 102H | Macroeconomics, Honors                                      |       |
ENVS/HIST 112 | American Environmental History                            |       |
ETHS 101 | The Immigrant Experience in the U.S.                      |       |
or ETHS 101H | The Immigrant Experience in the U.S., Honors               |       |
ETHS/SOC 107 | Racism In America                                          |       |
ETHS 121 | Women Of Color In The U.S.                                 |       |
ETHS 122 | Arab-American/Middle Eastern Women In The U.S.             |       |
GEOG 102 | Human Geography                                            |       |
GEOG 104 | World Regional Geography                                   |       |
GLST 101 | Introduction to Global Studies                             |       |
GLST 102 | Global Problems                                            |       |
HIST 101 | History Of The U.S. To 1877                                |       |
HIST 102 | History Of The U.S. Since 1865                             |       |
or HIST 102H | History Of The U.S. Since 1865, Honors                      |       |
HIST 103 | History Of Western Civilization                            |       |
## Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate knowledge of how people are governed and how they govern themselves.
2. Analyze the role of government institutions in contemporary society.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of key terms and core concepts of political systems.

## Recommended Sequence

Make an appointment with your SBCC academic counselor through Starfish to create a Student Education Plan that reflects a recommended course sequence for this program that is tailored to your individual needs.

How to schedule an Academic Counseling appointment (http://www.sbcc.edu/starfish/howtos/starfish_appt_how_to.pdf).

Students are advised to meet with an academic counselor to discuss the best combination of courses to take for the AA-T and to meet the requirements of the transfer institution to which they are intending to transfer.