

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 for Transfer degree in Political Science provides students with the foundational knowledge necessary to make a successful transition into a Baccalaureate Degree at any of the CSU campuses. The Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T) is a special degree offered at California Community Colleges. Students who earn an AA-T or AS-T degree are guaranteed admission to a campus within the California State University (CSU) system in a similar major, although not necessarily to a specific campus. Students who complete an AA-T or AS-T are given priority consideration when applying to a particular program that is similar to the student’s community college major and will be given a special GPA advantage when applying to CSU impacted campuses or majors. Students who are planning to pursue an AA-T or AS-T are strongly advised to meet with a counselor for additional information about this transfer program. Visit <https://adegreewithaguarantee.com/> for more 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 (<https://catalog.sbcc.edu/transfer-curricula/#igetctext>) or the CSU GE Breadth (<https://catalog.sbcc.edu/transfer-curricula/#csugebtext>) pattern.
3. A total of 60 CSU transferable semester units.
4. Maintain a minimum cumulative CSU transferable GPA of 2.0.
5. A minimum of 12 units through SBCC.

Code	Title	Units
Department Requirements		
Required Core		
POLS 101	American Government And Politics	3
List A - Complete three courses from the following:		9-11
POLS 121	International Politics	
	or POLS 121H International Politics, Honors	
POLS 131	Comparative Politics	

POLS 132	Political Thinking	
PSY 150	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	
	or MATH 117 Elementary Statistics	
List B - Complete two courses from the following:		6-9
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, Honors	
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/ GEOG 105	Economic Geography	
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
HIST 104 or HIST 113H	History of Western Civilization History Of Western Civilization: 1600 To Present, Honors
HIST 107	World Civilization, Beginnings to 1550
HIST 108	World Civilization, 1550 to Present
HIST 120	Modern Europe
HIST 121	History Of Great Britain
HIST 122	History Of Great Britain
HIST 127	History Of Russia
HIST 134	History Of Latin America: 1800'S To Modern Period
HIST 135	History of Mexico
HIST 137	History of Religions of The Middle East
HIST 138	History of the Modern Middle East
NATA 101	American Indian: Past and Present
NATA 102	The Native American In 20th Century Society
NATA 103	Native American Cultural Heritage
NATA 104	California Indians
POLS 104	American Government: Policy Issues/ Process
POLS 110	Politics, Society And The Mass Media
POLS 122	International Organizations: Global and Regional Governance
POLS 134H	Political Violence, Honors
POLS 136	Middle East Government And Politics
POLS 151	Law And Society
PSY 100 or PSY 100H	General Psychology General Psychology, Honors
PSY 120	Introduction To Psychology
PSY 140	Child Development
PSY 145	Human Development
PSY 170	Abnormal Psychology
PSY 175	Social Psychology: Psychological Perspective
PSY 200	Research Methods and Experimental Design in Psychology
SOC 101 or SOC 101H	Introduction To Sociology Introduction to Sociology, Honors
SOC 103	Marriage, Family and Intimacy
SOC 104	Social Psychology
SOC 106	Sociology of Deviance
SOC 109	Social Problems
SOC 113	Sociology Of Sex and Gender

Total Units **18.00-23.00**

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.

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 (<https://www.sbccc.edu/counselingcenter/counselingappointments.php>).