



POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLT)

Division of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Interim Dean: Joanne Armstrong

Department Chair, Political Science: Nooshan Shekarabi

Faculty: Brenda Carpio, Cale Crammer, Narges Rabii-Rakin, Nooshan Shekarabi

Associate in Arts

Political Science for Transfer (31730)

The Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer degree prepares students to transfer to a four-year institution leading to a baccalaureate degree. Successful completion of the transfer degree in Political Science guarantees the student acceptance to the California State University system to pursue a baccalaureate degree that prepares students for law school, teaching, public relations, journalism, government service on the local, state and national levels, and private employment where government institutions are involved.

Learning Outcome(s)

Upon successful completion of the major requirements for this degree, students will be able to

- Demonstrate critical thinking skills and formulate a thesis in a written and/or oral format.
- Demonstrate a basic knowledge of political institutions and processes of American government.
- Demonstrate how individuals by applying their political science skills can make a difference in their local communities.

Major requirements*

	Units
Political Science 101/101H, American Government and Politics	3
Students must take the following (List A):	9
Political Science 201, Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)	
Political Science 220, International Politics (3)	
Political Science 230, Political Theory (3)	
Select two (2) courses from the following (List B):	6
Anthropology 100/100H, Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)	
Economics 101, Principles/Micro (3)	
Economics 102, Principles/Macro (3)	
History 101/101H, World Civilizations to the 16th Century (3)	
Political Science 221, Women in American Politics (3)	
Sociology 100/100H, Introduction to Sociology (3)	
TOTAL	18

Courses

Political Science 101

American Government and Politics

(Formerly Political Science 101, Introduction to American Government)
Unit(s): 3.0

Class Hours: 54 Lecture total.

Study of United States national government and California state and local governments. Satisfies graduation requirement for American institutions and state requirements for California state government. *CSU/UC (C-ID POLS 110)*

Political Science 101H

Honors American Government and Politics

(Formerly Political Science 101H, Honors Introduction to American Government)

Unit(s): 3.0

Class Hours: 54 Lecture total.

Prerequisite: A high school or college GPA of 3.0 or above A high school or college GPA of 3.0 or above.

A student-oriented exploration of the historical and contemporary principles of American government and politics. Study groups and individual computer-based research focus on basic political concepts of American national and state governments. Satisfies graduation requirement for American Institutions and state requirements for California state government. *CSU/UC (C-ID POLS 110)*

Political Science 110

Introduction to Political Science

Unit(s): 3.0

Class Hours: 54 Lecture total.

An introduction to political science designed to familiarize students with basic political concepts, political ideologies, political systems, and subfields within political science. *CSU/UC*

Political Science 150

Model United Nations

(Formerly Political Science 150, Introduction to Model United Nations)
Unit(s): 4.0-6.0

Class Hours: 52 Lecture total, 54 Laboratory total.

Prerequisite: Political Science 101/101H or 220.

An introductory course in the study of the United Nations. The focus will be on the role of the United Nations in world politics in relation to the success and failure of theories of collective security, international disputes resolution, human rights, peacekeeping attempts and technological cooperation. Prepares students for individual and team Model United Nations events for intercollegiate United Nations conferences and competitions. Students are required to attend Model United Nations conferences. May be repeated. *CSU*

Political Science 200

American Political Thought

Unit(s): 3.0

Class Hours: 54 Lecture total.

An inquiry into the major influences that have shaped American political thought. Emphasis is on an historical analysis of political thought contributing to contemporary politics. A thorough examination of the significance of political thought on political parties and political events is conducted. *CSU/UC*

Political Science 201

Introduction to Comparative Politics

Unit(s): 3.0

Class Hours: 54 Lecture total.

A study of the histories, political cultures, and governmental arrangements of various nations and regions around the world. Comparative study is made of the industrialized democracies, the former communist countries, and the developing, and non-developing countries. *CSU/UC (C-ID POLS 130)*

Political Science 220

International Politics

Unit(s): 3.0

Class Hours: 54 Lecture total.

Introduction to basic principles and issues of international politics. Focus is on concepts of security, power, diplomacy, war, terrorism and globalization. Examines problems of rich versus poor nations in context of the new world order. *CSU/UC (C-ID POLS 140)*

*Major requirements for the associate degrees are in addition to the General Education requirements found on page 43.