Political Science for Transfer (AA-T)

**CAREER PATHS:**
- Political Scientist
- Political Science Teacher
- Pre-Law/Law Pathway

Additional Career Paths and related data, including state-by-state wage info and growth in the field, can be found at www.onetonline.org.

This program map represents one possible pathway. See a counselor to create a customized education plan. Map is for the 2019-2020 catalog year.

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### FIRST SEMESTER

**Total Recommended Units: 15**

- **PLSC 001** 3 units
  Introduction to American Government and Politics (Am. Inst. Grp 1)
- **ENGL 001** 4 units
  College Composition (IGETC 1A)
- **LR 010** 1 unit
  Introduction to Library Research and Information Competency
- **MATH 011** 4 units
  Elementary Statistics (IGETC 2)

**Transferable Elective**

- 3 units
  Suggested: COUN 007

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### SECOND SEMESTER

**Total Recommended Units: 17**

- **PLSC 002** 3 units
  Introduction to Comparative Politics (IGETC 4)
- **IGETC 1B** 4 units
  Suggested: ENGL 004
- **IGETC 1C** 3 units
  Suggested: COMM 006
- **IGETC 5A or 5B** 4 units
  With Lab
- **Transferable Elective**
  Course #001-049
  3 units
  Suggested: COUN 007

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### THIRD SEMESTER

**Total Recommended Units: 15**

- **PLSC 004** 3 units
  Introduction to International Politics (IGETC 4)
- **IGETC 4/Am Inst Grp 2** 3 units
  Suggested: HIST 017 or 018 or 028 or 037
- **IGETC 3B** 3 units

**Transferable Elective**

- 3 units
  Suggested: ART 012 or CIN 011 or MUS 013

**Transferable Elective**

- 3 units
  Course #001-049

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### FOURTH SEMESTER

**Total Recommended Units: 15**

- **IR 001 or PLSC 003** 3 units
  Global Interdependence
- **PLSC 006 or 016 or 019** 3 units

**Transferable Elective**

- 3 units
  Course #001-049

**Transferable Elective**

- 3 units
  Course #001-049

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**Required Courses/Courses in Discipline**

- Political Science for Transfer (AA-T)

**GE Courses/Categories**

- Political Science

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**GET STARTED NOW!**

- Get started on your Pathway now with these recommended courses! Then - See a counselor to create a CUSTOMIZED education plan personalized to your career and transfer goals!

- Required courses may change depending on a student’s career and transfer goals, including requirements for cross-cultural and foreign language courses, and/or specific requirements for an individual CSU or UC.

- Unique transfer requirements for a specific institution can be found at www.assist.org.

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**LET US HELP YOU!**

- **How to Apply:** solano.edu/ar/apply.php

- **Questions? Talk to a Counselor Now!**
  - Main Campus, Fairfield: (707) 864-7101
  - Vacaville Center: (707) 863-7836
  - Vallejo Center: (707) 642-8188
  - Travis AFB: (707) 863-7878

- **Contact Our Career Center to Learn Your Career Options!**
  - Call 707-864-7124, or email at CareerCenter@solano.edu
  - Visit online at solano.edu/career

- **You Can Afford College! Learn more about Financial Aid!**
  - Call 707-864-7124, or email at FinancialAid@solano.edu
  - Visit online at solano.edu/financial_aid

- **College is Accessible! Contact our Disability Services Program (DSP)**
  - at 707-864-7136.
Political Science

Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer (ADT: A.A.-T)

Program Description
This program examines the theory and practice of government and the powerful personalities that affect governmental decisions. This interplay of individual citizens, public leaders, elections, and world events make political inquiry relevant today. The program provides a broad base for the analysis of how government resolves social conflict within the United States and around the world.

Associate in Science in Political Science for Transfer
Upon completion of the Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer Degree, students will be eligible to transfer to a CSU undergraduate Political Science program. The Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer Degree will facilitate successful transfer to the CSU system, allowing students to complete baccalaureate degrees in a more timely fashion.

To earn the Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer degree, students must:
1. Complete 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
   a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education – Breadth Requirements
   b. A minimum of 18 semester units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtain a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

Program Outcomes
Students who complete the Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer degree will be able to:
1. Develop theory and content knowledge of political science.
2. Comprehend, analyze, and evaluate academic literature in political science.
3. Create original work and/or research in political science.

REQUIRED COURSES .............................................. Units
PLSC 001 Introduction to American Government and Politics .................................................. 3
Three courses from List A .................................................. 9-10
Two courses from List B .................................................. 6-7
Required Major Total Units ........................................ 18-20

List A: (select three courses) .............................................. Units
PLSC 002 Introduction to Comparative Government ...... 3
PLSC 003 Introduction to International Politics ............ 3
PLSC 006 Basic Concepts in Political Thought .......... 3
MATH 011 Elementary Statistics ................................. 4
PLSC 004 Introduction to Political Science.................. 3

List B: (select two courses) .............................................. Units
Any List A course not used
PLSC 005 Constitutional Rights in a Multicultural Society ...................................................... 3
PLSC 007 International Relations .................................. 3
PLSC 016 The American Legal System ....................... 3
PLSC 019 Human Rights and Sexual Orientation .......... 3
CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern Units ...37-39
CSU Transferable Electives (as needed to reach 60 transferable units)* .................................. 7-17
Total Degree Units ..................................................... 60

* 6 - 12 units may be double counted toward both the major area of emphasis and CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern. Consult with a counselor for more information on completing this degree.
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<td>PLSC 001</td>
<td>Introduction to American Government and Politics</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>Introduction to the theory and practice of American politics, this course includes an analysis of the operation of national, state, and local governments, as well as the U.S. and California Constitutions. (C-ID POLS 110)</td>
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<td>PLSC 002</td>
<td>Introduction to Comparative Government</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>The political institutions of selected industrialized and developing nations are examined comparatively. Emphasis is on the formation of political institutions; government; political culture; ethnic groups; citizen and interest participation; political parties; and modern bureaucratic public policy roles. This course includes a 10-12 page research paper. (C-ID POLS 130)</td>
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<td>PLSC 003</td>
<td>Introduction to International Politics</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>An introductory study of the international system from the U.S. perspective focusing on such concepts as the nation state and nationalism, power, war and military strategy, international law and approaches to international peace and stability. (C-ID POLS 140)</td>
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<td>PLSC 004</td>
<td>Introduction to Political Science</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>An introduction to political science designed to familiarize students with basic political concepts, political ideologies, political systems, and subfields within political science. (C-ID POLS 150)</td>
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<td>PLSC 005</td>
<td>Constitutional Rights in a Multicultural Society</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>Introduction to Constitutional rights, this course will highlight the impact of European, Native American, African American, Asian American, and Latino American cultures on United States and California law and government. The effect of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches will be explored. Cross-cultural issues will also be an integral part of this inquiry, including the freedom of expression, religious culture, and the politics of ethnic groups.</td>
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<td>PLSC 006</td>
<td>Introduction to Political Philosophy</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>An inquiry into fundamental political concepts in political thought (e.g. justice, freedom, equality, power, authority, obligation and citizenship) as expressed by major political thinkers. Includes the study of basic skills, criticism, and methods in political inquiry relevant to the life and education of citizens. Critical reading and writing are required. (C-ID POLS 120)</td>
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<td>PLSC 007</td>
<td>International Relations</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>An introduction to international relations theory with an examination of national, international, transnational, and sub-national actors and their institutions, interactions and processes as they relate to global issues. Designed to give students a foundation for the study of international relations, it provides a backdrop to understanding global interdependence, its causes and consequences. Included are political, economic, historical, philosophical, cultural, geographical, and environmental dimensions of interdependence. (Formerly IR 001)</td>
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PLSC 016  The American Legal System  3.0 Units
Course Advisory: PLSC 001; ENGL 001
Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 48-54 lecture
Introduction to the American legal system and influence of other legal systems, emphasizing the evolution of legal concepts in response to the changing environment. The American judicial system will be analyzed to include civil and criminal procedure, torts & contracts, as well as current legal issues including the death penalty, insanity defense, drugs, environmental law, right to die, forensic evidence and role of juries.

PLSC 019  Human Rights and Sexual Orientation  3.0 Units
Course Advisory: ENGL 001
Transferable to UC/CSU
Hours: 48-54 lecture
An introduction to gay/lesbian studies with an analysis of a variety of concepts and theories in relation to political science, gay rights and the law, the politics of AIDS, health issues, the political/religious right, marriage and family, and current gay agenda issues.

PLSC 049  Political Science Honors  1.0 to 3.0 Units
Prerequisite: Completion of 24 units of college credit with a minimum GPA of 3.3; a minimum of 6 units in the discipline with a minimum grade of B; an ability to work independently; permission of the School Dean based on instructor availability.
Transferable to CSU
Hours: 48-162 lab by arrangement
Independent study project which results in a critical examination of government, politics, or law. Students may take this course up to the maximum number of units over multiple semesters.

PLSC 050  Student Leadership  1.0 Unit
Transferable to CSU
Hours: 32-36 lab, 16-18 lab by arrangement
A class devoted to the practical application of the governmental process through participation in the student government program. Open to all students.

C-ID Designation may change periodically visit c-id.net/courses/search for current designation or consult with your counselor