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CERRITOS COLLEGE

POLITICAL SCIENCE (AA-T)

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER

The goal of the program is to introduce students to the major fields of study in political science as well as the theoretical and practical aspects of government and politics. A major in political science is of benefit to students seeking careers in law, journalism, foreign affairs, economics, business, public relations, and public administration. The program includes the study of American Politics (principles, institutions, and policies) and, depending upon the student’s chosen course of study, may also include Comparative Politics (institutional structures, processes, and political cultures), International Relations (structure and operation of the international system) and/or Political Philosophy (ideas about human nature, power, justice, and the state). Completion of the degree indicates that the student will have satisfied the lower division requirements for a seamless transfer into the California State University system for political science majors.

REQUIRED CORE: 3 Units			UNITS
POL 101	American Political Institution		3
LIST A: (SELECT THREE): 9 Units			
POL 201	Introduction to Political Science and American Government		3
POL 210	International Relations		3
POL 220	Comparative Government		3
POL 240	Introduction to Political Theory		3
PSYC 210	Elementary Statistics		4
or MATH 112	Elementary Statistics		(4)
LIST B: (SELECT TWO): 6 Units			
Any course(s) from List A not already used			
POL 230	Contemporary Political Issues: Middle East		3
POL 250*	Model United Nations: Theory and Practice		3
POL 280	Gender and Sexual Identity in American Politics		3
*(POL 250 may be applied to the degree only once)			
Total Units for the Major			18-19

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS:

Complete the following (1) 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU – transferable units (2) The California State University-General Education –Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth); or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern (3) A minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district (4) Obtainment of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (5) Earn a grade of “C” or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.