

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Associate of Art/Associate of Science degree



Program and Career Description:

The Political Science emphasis is a two-year program for students planning to complete a bachelor's degree at a four-year school. Individuals majoring in political science have a variety of job careers such as lawyers, politicians, and police officers. A few selected careers are listed below.

Career	Median Experience - Average wage
Lawyer	\$124,750
Police Officer	\$52,810
Court Reporter	\$51,960

Career and salary information taken from www.bls.gov. Check out this web site for additional information about education requirements and preferred work styles and abilities for these careers. Salaries are not guaranteed.

Transfer Options

This program is a Tennessee Transfer Pathway (TTP) major. A student who completes the associates degree in this major is guaranteed that all required community college courses will be accepted in this major at the transfer institution. To see which four-year institutions offer this TTP major and guarantees a seamless transfer, visit the Tennessee Transfer Pathway website at www.tntransferpathway.org.

Articulation agreements exist between other private and non-TN public institutions. These agreements are available at www.columbiastate.edu/admissions/transfer-information.



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Major in Tennessee Transfer Pathway with Emphasis in Political Science (A.A., A.S.)

Program Requirements

Students may be required to take additional Learning Support courses.

Communications Requirement

ENGL 1010, 1020
SPCH 1010 or SPCH 1030

History Requirement (Take 2 courses)

HIST 1110, 1120, 2010, 2020, 2030

Humanities/Fine Arts (Take 3 courses -- one must be a literature course)

ART 1030
ARTH 2010, 2020
ENGL 2015, 2440
HUM 1130, 1131
MUS 1030
PHIL 1030, 2030, 2033
THEA 1030
Literature Options: ENGL 2130, 2230, 2310, 2320, 2920

Natural Sciences Requirement (Take 2 courses)

ASTR 1030
BIOL 1030 (must not be paired with another BIOL)
BIOL 1110, 1120, 2010, 2020
CHEM 1110, 1120
GEOG 1010, 1020
PHYS 2010, 2020, 2110, 2120
PSCI 1030

Mathematics Requirement

MATH 1530

Social/Behavioral Sciences

ECON 2010 (required)
Take one course from the following:
ANTH 1200, 1300
COMM 1010
ECON 2020
GEOG 2010
PHED 2120
POL 201, POLS 1501, 2010 (Cannot be used more than once to satisfy program requirements)
PSYC 1030, 2130
SOC 1010, 1020, 2010

Major Required Courses

COLS 101
POL or POLS Elective (POL 201 or POLS 1501 or POLS 2010)
POLS 1030
Electives*

*Note: An elective can be any college-level course.

If you have completed TN eCampus courses, run a degree audit from the student tab in myChargerNet to determine how these courses apply to this program.

Requirements for Graduation include:

- earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- cumulative GPA must be 2.0.
- taking the Exit Exam.

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Sample Academic Plan

First Year – Fall Semester

___ ENGL 1010	Composition I	3
___ ECON 2010	Macroeconomics	3
___ MATH 1530	Elementary Statistics	3
___ POL or POLS	Elective	3
___ COLS 101	Columbia State College Success	1
___ Elective*		3
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First Year – Spring Semester

___ ENGL 1020	Composition II	3
___ SPCH 1010	Fundamentals of Speech Communication or	
___ SPCH 1030	Argumentation & Debate	3
___ Social/Behavioral Science		3
___ POLS 1030	American Government	3
___ Electives*		3
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Second Year – Fall Semester

___ Literature Requirement		3
___ History Requirement		3
___ Natural Science Requirement		4
___ Humanities/Fine Arts		3
___ Elective*		3
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Second Year – Spring Semester

___ Natural Science Requirement		3
___ Humanities/Fine Arts		3
___ History Requirement		3
___ Elective*		3
		13

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 60

*If pursuing the A.A. degree, 6 of the 13 elective hours must be one-year sequence of the SAME foreign language. Requirements for a Bachelor of Arts Degree at universities include demonstrated competency in foreign language at the intermediate level. Community college students are encouraged to attain intermediate-level competency in foreign before transferring. Complete information At some universities, foreign language may be required in certain programs that lead to the Bachelor of Arts Degree. Complete information regarding foreign language requirements at each university may be found on the transfer and articulation web sites of the Tennessee Board of Regents and the University of Tennessee System. Community college students are encouraged to be familiar with foreign language requirements at the universities and, if applicable, complete the requirements before transferring.

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