Political Science A.A. Degree

This program map represents one possible path for completing this program. Please see a counselor to create an educational plan that is customized to meet your needs. This path is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

First Year

Semester 1

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
ME		*Major Elective	3	L4
GE	ENGL C1000 ^{**} / ENGWR 488 ^H / ESLW 340	Academic Reading & Writing	3-4	L1A
GE		Arts & Humanities	3	L3
GE	INDIS 313***	Freshman Seminar	3	L7B
GE		****Elective	3	

*Major Elective - A minimum of 9 units from the following: (select 3 units this semester) POLS C1000, POLS 302, POLS 310, POLS 480(H), POLS C1000H

**If you don't place directly in ENGL C1000 (check your eServices account), you will need to take ENGWR 80/ENGL C1000 combo course.

***INDIS 313 - Freshman Seminar is specifically designed for First Time in College students. If you're not a First Time in College student, please select a GE course from SCC Local AA/AS General Education Area L7B, such as HCD 310-College Success.

****Electives may include any courses numbered 100-499. Department faculty recommend ECON 302+ for this elective.

+Prerequisite for ECON 302: Elementary Algebra or equivalent (Integrated Math 1) with a grade of "C-" or better

Semester 2

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
ME		*Major Elective (1)	3	
ME		**Major Elective (2)	3	
GE	STAT C1000 ^{***} / C1000H	Introduction to Probability and Statistics	4	L2
GE	COMM C1000 / 481 ^H	Introduction to Public Speaking	3	L1B
Elec		****Elective	3	

Catalog: 2025-26

Total Units: 60-61

Legend

- (H) Honors
- Elec Elective

15-16 Units

16 Units

- · GE General Education
- Maj Required Core
- ME Major Elective

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure that what is listed in the SCC Program Paths are accurate. The courses, the course sequencing, and the programs are subject to change without notice by the administration of the Los Rios Community College District and Sacramento City College at the discretion of the district and Sacramento City College. Further, Sacramento City College reserves the right to amend any course or program.

PLEASE SEE AN SCC COUNSELOR.

AA/AS Requirements

Associate Degrees require the following:

- 1. Completion of a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average). A minimum of 12 units must be completed within the Los Rios Community College District.
- 2. Completion of each required course with a grade of "C" or better for a major offered at Sacramento City College.
- 3. Completion of Sacramento City Colleg e's local AA/AS degree general educat ion requirements - Area L1A and L1B; Area L2; Area L3; Area L4; Area L5; Area L6: Area L7A and L7B – with an overall 2.0 GPA. Students also have an option of completing the California **General Education Transfer Curriculu** m (Cal-GETC) instead of the local general education pattern.

Students with Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Credit (IB) test scores should notify their Counselor to learn more about how test scores may be used for credit.

*Major Elective (1) - A minimum of 9 units from the following: (select 3 units this semester not already completed in a previous semester) POLS C1000, POLS 302, POLS 310, POLS 480(H), POLS C1000H

**Major Elective (2) - A minimum of 6 units from the following (select 3 units this semester): POLS 304, POLS 320, POLS 322, POLS 340, POLS 497

***If you don't place directly in STAT C1000 (check your eServices account), you will need to take STAT 10/STAT C1000 combo course.

****Electives may include any courses numbered 100-499.

Second Year

Semester 3

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
ME		*Major Elective (1)	3	
ME		**Major Elective (2)	3	
GE		Ethnic Studies	3	L6
Elec		***Elective	1	
Elec		***Elective	3	
Elec		***Elective	3	

*Major Elective (1) - A minimum of 9 units from the following: (select 3 units this semester not already completed in a previous semester) POLS C1000, POLS 302, POLS 310, POLS 480(H), POLS C1000H

**Major Elective (2) - A minimum of 6 units from the following (select 3 units this semester not already completed in a previous semester): POLS 304, POLS 320, POLS 322, POLS 340, POLS 497

***Electives may include any courses numbered 100-499.

Semester 4

13 Units

16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	AA/AS GE
ME	HIST 310 / 320 / 483 ^H / 311 / 321 / 484 ^H	History of the United States (To 1877)	3	
GE		Physical Education	1	L7A
GE		Natural Sciences	3	L5
Elec		*Elective	3	
Elec		*Elective	3	

**Electives may include any courses numbered 100-499.

Exception: Students who possess a bachelor's (BA/BS) or higher degree from a college or university accredited through a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) are deemed to have satisfied both the general education and graduation competency requirements for an AA/AS degree. Degrees from accredited institutions outside of the US will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Placement Information

Check your eServices account under "Academic Records" to determine your Math and English placements.

Important Links

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