

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Associate of Arts Degree

Social & Behavioral Sciences Pathway
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Political Science Transfer Major

The Associate of Arts (A.A.) in political science is designed for you to complete the first two years of a bachelor's degree at CCD and transfer to a four-year university to complete a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in political science. In this program, you will explore governmental structure and processes. Political science is the study of the political process, and you will learn to understand the difference between an opinion and an argument. Political science graduates have a passion for political life not only locally, but also globally. You will discover the origin, development, and operation of political systems and public policy. This program introduces you to political science and it includes courses that are common to all four-year institutions in Colorado.

Careers often require a B.A. degree or higher. Career paths for political science degree holders include much more than running for political office. They also include public service, law, international relations, business, political campaigns and working for charitable organizations. The A.A. degree in political science prepares you to complete the second half of a B.A. in political science at a four-year university.

COURSE MAP

Course	Title	Credits
First Semester		
SOC 1002	Introduction to Sociology II: GT-SS3	3
ENG 1021	English Composition I: GT-CO1 ¹	3
MAT 1260	Intro to Statistics: GT-MA1	3
COM 1250	Interpersonal Communication: GT-SS3	3
Choose One Elective Course		3
ECO 2001	Principles of Macroeconomics: GT-SS1	
PSC 1011	American Government: GT-SS1	
PSY 1001	General Psychology I: GT-SS3	
SOC 1001	Introduction to Sociology I: GT-SS3	
ANT 1001	Cultural Anthropology: GT-SS3	
Subtotal		15
Second Semester		
ENG 1022	English Composition II: GT-CO2 ¹	3
ECO 2001	Principles of Macroeconomics: GT-SS1	3
PSC 2020	Intro to Political Science: GT-SS1	3
Choose One Arts & Humanities Course (GT-AH1~GT-AH4)		3
LIT 2005	Race, Ethnicity, and Culture in U.S. Literature: GT-AH2	
LIT 2046	Literature of Women: GT-AH2	
PHI 1012	Ethics: GT-AH3	
MUS 1021	Music History Medieval thru Classical Period: GT-AH1	
PHI 1014	Comparative Religions: GT-AH3	
COM 1300	Communication and Popular Culture: GT-AH1	
Choose One Natural & Physical Sciences Course (GT-SC1~GT-SC2)		4
GEO 1012	Physical Geography - Weather and Climate with Lab: GT-SC1	
GEO 1011	Physical Geography: Landforms with Lab: GT-SC1	
ENV 1111	Environmental Science with Lab: GT-SC1	
AST 1110	Astronomy with Lab: Planetary Systems: GT-SC1	
GEY 1111	Physical Geology with Lab: GT-SC1	
ANT 1005	Biological Anthropology with Lab: GT-SC1	
Subtotal		16
Third Semester		
PSC 2005	International Relations: GT-SS1 ⁴	3
ECO 2001	Principles of Macroeconomics: GT-SS1	3
Choose One Elective ⁵		3
PSC 1025	American State and Local Government: GT-SS1	
PSC 1011	American Government: GT-SS1	

PSC 2005	International Relations: GT-SS1	
GEO 1060	Global Climate Change: GT-SC2	
CRJ 1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice: GT-SS3	
Choose One Elective ⁵		3
PSC 1025	American State and Local Government: GT-SS1	
WST 2000	Introduction to Women's Studies: GT-SS3	
GEO 1060	Global Climate Change: GT-SC2	
CRJ 1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice: GT-SS3	
Choose One History Course (GT-HI1)		3
HIS 1220	U.S. History Since the Civil War: GT-HI1	
HIS 1120	The World: 1500-Present: GT-HI1	
HIS 2015	20th Century World History: GT-HI1	
HIS 2105	Women in U.S. History: GT-HI1	
HIS 2200	History of Latin America: GT-HI1	
HIS 2110	African American History: GT-HI1	
Subtotal		15
Fourth Semester		
PSC 2025	Comparative Government: GT-SS1 ⁴	3
COM 1010	Communicating through Technology	1
Choose One Natural & Physical Sciences Course (GT-SC1)		4
ANT 1005	Biological Anthropology with Lab: GT-SC1	
GEO 1011	Physical Geography: Landforms with Lab: GT-SC1	
GEO 1012	Physical Geography - Weather and Climate with Lab: GT-SC1	
ENV 1111	Environmental Science with Lab: GT-SC1	
GEY 1111	Physical Geology with Lab: GT-SC1	
AST 1110	Astronomy with Lab: Planetary Systems: GT-SC1	
Choose One Elective ⁵		3
AST 1110	Astronomy with Lab: Planetary Systems: GT-SC1	
PSC 1025	American State and Local Government: GT-SS1	
WST 2000	Introduction to Women's Studies: GT-SS3	
GEO 1060	Global Climate Change: GT-SC2	
CRJ 1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice: GT-SS3	
Choose One Arts & Humanities Course (GT-AH1~GT-AH4)		3
LIT 2005	Race, Ethnicity, and Culture in U.S. Literature: GT-AH2	
LIT 2046	Literature of Women: GT-AH2	
PHI 1012	Ethics: GT-AH3	
MUS 1021	Music History Medieval thru Classical Period: GT-AH1	
PHI 1014	Comparative Religions: GT-AH3	
COM 1300	Communication and Popular Culture: GT-AH1	
Subtotal		14
Total Credits		60

¹ Students can take ENG 1022 and an additional GT-CO3 course instead of ENG 1021 and ENG 1022

² One gtPathways mathematics course (GT-MA1), but not MAT 1220 or 1230

³ University of Colorado Denver choice.

⁴ Please note: if these credits are not required for the major at a receiving 4-year institution, they will be applied to the bachelor's degree as elective credit toward graduation. Please check with the receiving institution to determine in which way these courses will be applied.

⁵ Additional Political Science (PSC) courses beyond the 4 courses (12 credit hours) identified above may not count toward the Political Science major at the receiving 4-year institution. See explanation in Limitations section.

NOTE: The faculty at Community College of Denver have chosen course elective options for this program of study based on the skills students will need to be successful in this discipline. However, for a complete list of available course options, please go to the Colorado Department of Higher Education Transfer Degree Agreement for this program.