

Associate of Arts to Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Prairie State College (PSC) and Governors State University (GSU) for the Political Science degree program based on the current catalogs of both schools. The student would receive an Associate of Arts (AA) degree from PSC and a Bachelors of Arts (BA) degree in Political Science from GSU.

I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (37-38 Hours)

(Refer to the AA/AS Degree Guidelines for a list of courses in Areas B through E)

Area A: Communications (9 hours)

- ENG 101 - Composition I (3)
- ENG 102 - Composition II (3)
- COMM 101 - Principles of Communication (3)

Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- Fine Arts Course (3)*
- Humanities Course (3)*
- Humanities or Fine Arts Course (3)*

Area C: Mathematics (3 hours)

- IAI Mathematics Course (3)*

Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 hours)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab.

- Life Science Course (3-4)*
- Physical Science Course (3-4)*

Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours)

- POLSC 140 - Intro to U.S. Government and Politics (3) (meets POLS 2100)
- POLSC 152 - US, State & Local Government (3) (recommended)
- Social and Behavioral Science Course (non-political science) (3)*

II. AREA OF CONCENTRATION/LOWER-DIVISION MAJOR COURSES (9 Hours)

- POLSC 101 - Principles of Political Science (3) (meets POLS 2101)
- POLSC 230 - Intro to Comparative Government (3) (meets POLS 3150)
- POLSC 240 - Intro to International Relations (3) (meets POLS 2950)

III. ELECTIVES (15-16 Hours)

GSU's Political Science program suggests classes in the Social Sciences.

REQUIRED A.A. DEGREE PROGRAM TOTAL: 62 Hours

* Refer to the PSC AA/AS guidelines for a list of course choices in Section I and III.

Note: Students are strongly encouraged to complete up to 80 hours at PSC by taking additional electives which will reduce the GSU Electives.

IV. TO BE TAKEN AT GSU (58 Hours)

Required Courses (9 Hours)

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| POLS 4600 | - Political Theory (3) |
| POLS 4990 | - Political Struggle: Empowerment and Change (3) |
| SOSC 4500 | - Research Methods in the Social Sciences (3) |

Career Selectives (18 Hours)

Choose courses from the approved list with advisor approval

Electives (31 Hours)

Must complete 13 hours at the 3000/4000 level

Minimum Required for the BA in Political Science 120 Hours

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