# Political Science

## Transfer

### AA-T Degree in Political Science

Political Science Program  
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### About the Program

The Associate in Arts in Political Science for Transfer Degree creates a transfer pathway for students who plan to complete a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at a California State University. With the completion of the AA-T in Political Science, students will possess foundational knowledge as well as the practical skills necessary for subsequent completion of the baccalaureate.

The associate transfer degrees (AA-T or AS-T) require completion and certification of the California State University General Education (CSU GE) or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) as well as the specific AA-T or AS-T major degree requirements. Students earning either an AA-T or an AS-T will not be held to additional Butte College graduation requirements (including Physical Education and the multicultural competency). Students should work with a counselor to identify major coursework that can be used to fulfill CSU GE or IGETC categories.

To obtain an Associate's degree, students must complete both the major requirements and the graduation requirements listed in this catalog.

Note that some courses have a prerequisite (P), corequisite (C), or both (P/C). Prerequisites and corequisites are listed within each course description in this catalog.

Transfer majors designated as AA-T or AS-T are designed for transfer to a similar major at an unspecified CSU. Transfer majors designated as AA or AS are designed for transfer to the corresponding major at a specific CSU and are based on articulation. See a counselor for more information. Read about the difference between these types of degrees at the beginning of the Transfer section of this catalog.

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**60 Units Minimum**

#### Student Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- Identify major aspects of governmental systems of the United States, for individual states (especially California), and compare governmental systems on a global basis.
- Place various governmental systems within a developmental/historical framework. Methods of description, analysis, and theory will also be important factors for students who select Political Science as their major.

#### Required courses for the major:  
**18 Units**

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<td>POS 2</td>
<td>United States Government</td>
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**List A: Select three**

| POS 3 | Comparative Politics | 3 |
| POS 18 | International Relations | 3 |
| MATH 18 | Introduction to Statistics | (P) | 3 |

**List B: Select two or any course from List A not already used.**

| POS 12 | California State and Local Government | 3 |
| POS 14 | Politics of Third World Nations | 3 |
| POS 16 | Vital Political Problems | 3 |
| POS 20 | Political History of the Middle East | 3 |