

Riverside City College

# POLITICAL SCIENCE

## Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)

Political science is the scientific study of how competing conceptions of the good life are conceptualized in theory and realized in cultures, institutions, processes, and practices. You will learn about the different areas of political science which includes American politics, comparative politics, world politics (international relations) and political theory. Completion of the Associate Degree in Political Science for Transfer (ADT) will prepare you to meet minimum lower division admission requirements (60 transferable units) for transfer to a California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC). Some UC's require additional coursework, please meet with a counselor for additional information. The Political Science program map below includes all of your major coursework and recommended general education courses by term that is needed to fulfill your degree and transfer requirements. Please consult the political science educational advisor and a member of the faculty for specialized attention to your needs.

### Political Science- ADT (CSU/UC)

0-15 units		Units
Term 1	English 1A/1AH (General Education: CSU Area A2 or IGETC Area 1A)	4
	Political Science 1/1H (General Education: CSU Area D/US 2 or IGETC Area 4)	4
	Communications Studies 1 (General Education: CSU Area A1 or IGETC Area 1C)	3
	Course in Art, Music, Theater, Film, or Humanities (GE: CSU Area C1/C2 or IGETC Area 3A/B)	3
	<b>Interession (Winter or Summer term)</b>	<b>Units</b>
	Geography 1/1H (General Education: CSU Area B1 or IGETC Area 5A)	3

16-30 units		Units
Term 2	Communication Studies 3 or Philosophy 11 (GE: CSU Area A3 or English 1B for UC transfer)	3-4
	Math 11 or 12/12H	4
	Political Science 2 or Political Science 4	3
	Interdisciplinary Studies 5 - Service Learning (Only for Pathway to Law option)	3
	<b>Interession (Winter or Summer term)</b>	<b>Units</b>
	Sociology 1/1H or Anthropology 1/1H (General Education: CSU Area D or IGETC Area 4)	3

31-45 units		Units
Term 3	Economics 7/7H (General Education: CSU Area D or IGETC Area 4)	3
	Biology 1 (General Education: CSU Area B2 or IGETC Area 5B)	4
	Political Science 2 or Political Science 4	3
	Political Science 5, 7ABCD or 13 - Area specific (law, area studies, foreign policy)	3
	<b>Interession (Winter or Summer term)</b>	<b>Units</b>
	Any CSU Area E course (that is also UC transferable)	3

45-60+ units		Units
Term 4	Foreign Language or Foreign Language Culture Class (GE: CSU Area C2 or IGETC Area 3A/3B)	3-5
	Anthropology 2/ 2H or Psychology 1/ 1H or Sociology 20 (GE: CSU Area D or IGETC Area 4)	3
	Political Science 11	3
	Geography 2 or Business 15 - Street Law (Only for Pathway to Law option)	3
	History 6/6H or 7/7H (General Education: CSU Area C2/US 1 or IGETC Area 3B)	3

For alternative **CSU/UC General Education** options refer to the back of this page or in the RCC Catalog, under **Requirements for College Transfer**, page 79.  
 RCC Catalog website link:  
<https://www.rcc.edu/departments/Pages/College-Catalog.aspx>

### Milestones

**Milestones** are courses, co-curricular activities and **recommendations** from your Student Success Team that will keep you on track towards completion of your degree.

**Check off your milestones as you complete them.**

#### Political Science Degree Completion Milestones

- Complete English 1A (transfer-level English)
- Complete transfer-level math (Math 12)
- Consider a concentration (ie. law, international relations)
- Complete "cour four" political science courses (POL 1, 2, 4 and 11)
- Apply to universities (CSU/UC application period Oct 1-Nov 30)
- Apply for ADT degree by beginning of spring term before transfer
- Complete RCC Graduation application (during your last term)

#### Student Success Team Milestones

- Meet with your Counselor to Complete your Comprehensive Student Education Plan (SEP)
- Complete FAFSA (Oct 1<sup>st</sup>- Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> for priority)
- Meet with Faculty Advisor for career/research opportunities
- Meet with your Counselor to update SEP (every semester)
- Meet with your Counselor for pre-graduation check

#### Co-Curricular Activity Milestones

- Research Potential Clubs on Campus, particularly the Political Science Student Association ("PSSA")
- Consider joining Model United Nations
- Participate in tutoring, student success workshops or supplemental instruction
- Visit the Career Center for Internship opportunities
- Research transfer institutions
- Attend Transfer workshops and Transfer Fair
- Participate in an internship/ job shadowing with a political

### Political Science Course Rotation

Fall Semester	Winter Interession	Spring Semester	Summer Interession
POL 1	POL 1	POL 1/ 1H	POL 1
POL 2 or 2H	POL 10	POL 2 or 2H	
POL 4 or 4H		POL 4 or 4H	
POL 5		POL 11	
POL 7		POL 13	
POL 10			

Enrollment status will impact the completion time for your degree and/or transfer. Full Time students are recommended to take between 12-15units per term. Part Time students are encouraged to take between 6-9 units per term (meet with a counselor to determine appropriate work/life/school balance). Program completion is dependent on your schedule availability and when courses are offered.

## ALTERNATIVE CSU GENERAL EDUCATION OPTIONS FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE (ADT)

**RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE**  
**California State University General Education Requirements**  
**2018-2019**

*The courses listed below will fulfill the lower division general education requirements for all CSU campuses.*

- A. English Language Communication and Critical Thinking (minimum 9 semester or 12 quarter units) \*\*\*\* Must be completed prior to transfer!**  
 Select one course from each group. *Grades of 'C' or better are required.*  
**A1. Oral Communication:** Communication Studies 1 or 1H,6,9 or 9H \*\*\*\*  
**A2. Written Communication:** English 1A/1AH \*\*\*\*  
**A3. Critical Thinking:** Communication Studies 2,3; English 1B or 1BH; Philosophy 11,32; Reading 4 \*\*\*\*
- B. Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (minimum 9 semester or 12 quarter units) \*\*\*\* Must be completed prior to transfer! Select one course from groups 1, 2 and 4.**  
**At least one of the science courses must have a lab – see underlined courses.**  
**B1. Physical Science:** Astronomy 1A,1B; **Geography 1 or 1H, 1/1L or 1H/1L**, 5; Geology 1, 1/1L, 1B, 2,3; Oceanography 1, 1/1L; Physical Science 1,5; Physics 10, 10/11  
**B2. Life Science:** **Anthropology 1** or 1H, 1L; **Biology 1/1H, 5,6,7,8,9,10,14, 14/15**, 18 (formerly BIO 34), 19 (formerly BIO 36), 20,45 (formerly AMY 10), Psychology 2;  
**B3. Laboratory Activity:** This requirement may be met by completion of any lab course listed above in areas B-1 or B-2. All underlined courses will meet this requirement.  
**B4. Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning** (grade of 'C' or better is required): Math 1A, 5, 12 or 12H, 25
- C. Arts and Humanities (minimum 9 semester or 12 quarter units) Select three courses, with at least one course from "Arts" and one course from "Humanities":**  
**C1. Arts:** Art 1,2 or 2H, 6; Communication Studies 11; Dance 6 or 6H; Film Studies 1 or 1H,2,3,4,5; Film, Television and Video 65; Music 19, 89 or 89H; Theater Arts 3  
**C2. Humanities:** American Sign Language 1; Arabic 1; Chinese 1,11; English 6,7,40,41,44,45,48; Film Studies 5,7,8; Film, Television and Video 12; French 1, 8,11; German 1,11; History 1,2 or 2H,6 or 6H,7 or 7H,14,15,31, 34; Humanities 16; Italian 1,11; Japanese 1,11; Korean 1,11; Latin 1; Philosophy 10 or 10H,12; Portuguese 1; Russian 1,11; Spanish 1 or 1H,3N,11
- D. Social Sciences (minimum 9 semester or 12 quarter units) Select three courses from at least two disciplines:**  
 Anthropology 2 or 2H; Early Childhood Studies 20,42; Journalism 7; **Political Science 1 or 1H**; **Psychology 1** or 1H,8,9,33,35,50; **Sociology 1** or 1H, 2,3,10,12,15,20,25,50
- E. Lifelong Learning and Self-Development (minimum 3 semester or 4 quarter units)**  
 Biology 35 (same as HES1); Early Childhood Studies 20,42; Guidance 47,48; Health Science 1; Kinesiology 4,36; Psychology 9,33; Sociology 12  
 Activity courses - **Only 1 unit of activity coursework may be applied towards area E.** Students may complete GUI-48 combined with 1 unit from the approved activity courses listed below in order to fulfill the 3 units required in area E. Military veterans who submit DD214 will be awarded 3 units towards Area E certification.

## CAREER & TRANSFER INFORMATION FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJORS

### Careers and National Median Salaries for Psychology Majors

Lawyer**	\$119,250
Political scientist*	\$115,110
Policy analyst	\$56,295
Campaign manager	\$54,666
Legislative assistant	\$54,542
Market research analyst	\$63,230
Public relations specialist*	\$59,300
History/government teacher	\$59,170

(\*career requires a bachelor and master degree, \*\*requires law (i.e. J.D.) degree)

Salary and Career Information may vary based upon source and year. For updated Career and Salary information, contact the Career Center, located in the Charles A. Kane building, second floor.

source: bls.gov/ooh/

### Transfer Information for Political Science Majors

According to Princeton Review, Political Science is the third most popular major in the United States. RCC's transfer partners offer a variety of degree areas that a political science major can pursue. Cal Poly Pomona offers RCC political science majors the clearest pathway to success in the CSU system and offers classes in all of the core areas of political science while CSU San Bernardino also offers

### Contact your STUDENT SUCCESS TEAM!

**Languages, Humanities and Social Sciences- Engagement Center**  
 Digital Library, room 106  
 951-328-3658

**Counseling Department**  
 Charles A. Kane building, second floor  
 951-222-8440

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