



Carl Sandburg College ➔ Monmouth College

Course Articulation Guide for students pursuing Associate in Arts Political Science Major

The following guide and sample degree completion plan outlines 2 years at Carl Sandburg College to receive an Associate in Arts degree and 2 years at Monmouth College to complete the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. This guide was built to help transfer students prepare for their transition to Monmouth College, and schedules may be adjusted when working with an advisor.

FRESHMAN YEAR at Carl Sandburg College

Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
Department/ Number	Title	Credit	Department/ Number	Title	Credit
ENG 101	Freshman Comp. 1	3	ENG 102	Freshman Comp. 2	3
SPE 120	Intro to Public Speaking	3	Science	Choose from BIO 101, CHM 110, ESC 100, PHY 151	4
Fine Arts	Choose from AA list	3	Math	Choose from AA list	3
POS 122	American Government & Politics	3	Social Science	Choose from AA list	3
Elective	Choose from AA list	3	Humanities	Choose from AA list	3
TOTAL CREDIT		15	TOTAL CREDIT		16

SOPHOMORE YEAR at Carl Sandburg College

Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
Department/ Number	Title	Credit	Department/ Number	Title	Credit
Human Relations	Choose from AA list	3	Humanities/ Fine Arts	Choose from AA list	3
Social Sciences	Choose from AA list	3	Science	Choose from AA list	3
SPN 101	Elementary Spanish 1	4	SPN 102	Elementary Spanish 2	4
Elective	Choose from AA list	3	Elective	Choose from AA list	3
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TOTAL CREDIT		16	TOTAL CREDIT		16

Note that up to 64 credit hours (equivalent to 16.00 Monmouth College course credits) may be transferred to Monmouth College. Courses with a C or better may be transferred and applied to the Political Science major. Additional courses earned in the completion of the Associates Degree will be applied toward the overall credit required for the Bachelor of Arts degree (32 credits).



The below is a sample schedule for the junior and senior years at Monmouth. The sequence of these courses may vary, and the department will work closely with students to complete major requirements on time.

JUNIOR YEAR at Monmouth College

Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
Department/ Number	Title	Credit	Department/ Number	Title	Credit
INTG 3xx	Reflections	1	POLS Elective		1
POLS 270	Introduction to International Relations	1	POLS 208 or POLS Elec.	Understanding Capitalism or Political Science Elective	1
POLS 200	Introduction to Comparative Politics	1	Elective		1
Elective		1	Elective		1
TOTAL CREDIT		4	TOTAL CREDIT		4

SENIOR YEAR at Monmouth College

Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
Department/ Number	Title	Credit	Department/ Number	Title	Credit
INTG 4xx	Citizenship	1	POLS 415	Senior Seminar	.5
POLS 230	Political Philosophy	1	POLS 375 or POLS Elec	Environmental Politics or Political Science Elective	1
POLS 415	Senior Seminar	.5	Elective		1
POLS Elective		1	Elective		1
Elective		1	Elective		.5
TOTAL CREDIT		4.5	TOTAL CREDIT		4

Political Science elective options include: POLS 110 Moot Court; POLS 120 Film and Politics; POLS 150 Global Justice; POLS 175 Politics of US Public Policy; POLS 202 Modern Japan; POLS 244 Religion & Politics; POLS 245 The Politics of Developing Nations; POLS 250 Special Topics; POLS 280 Latino Politics; POLS 291 Civics & Political Systems for Elementary Education; POLS 292 Campaign Methods; POLS 295 The Politics of Criminal Justice; POLS 310 Issues Seminar; POLS 311 Parties & Elections; POLS 325 Congress & the Presidency; POLS 333 U.S. Foreign Policy; POLS 351: Constitutional Law: Institutional Powers & Restraints; POLS 352 Civil Liberties; POLS 361 Africa in World Politics; POLS 366 International Organizations; POLS 370 Development Policies & Interventions; POLS 395 Constitutional Issues; POLS 409 The Supreme Court; POLS 414 American Political Thought; POLS 420 Independent Study & Internship.

Note – 2 of the 4 required electives must be at the 300 level or above.

POLS Students must complete a minimum of 16 course credits during the junior and senior year at Monmouth College for a total of 32 course credits to be awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree. No more than 13 course credits may be taken in a single discipline (POLS). Students may take additional POLS courses provided the maximum limits are not exceeded.

Only grades of C- or better may be applied to the major. Students must earn a minimum 2.0 GPA in major and a minimum 2.0 overall cumulative GPA for the degree.

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