

Associate in Arts

SOCIAL SCIENCE - HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE

Program Information

The Social Science-History/Political Science program explores topics in the historical development of world civilizations, with a focus on political and social institutions. Students are introduced to the historians' craft, the core principles of political science and the liberal arts. The program emphasizes diversity of thought and cultures, analytical ability, and effective communication skills. With course work that examines a variety of academic disciplines and modes of inquiry, students have opportunities to increase social and political consciousness, interpersonal skills, and cultural awareness. Students are expected to engage historiographical and political issues, and develop frames of reference necessary for critical thinking and problem solving.

Upon successfully completing this program, students should be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of historical research involving primary and secondary texts, as well as, material and visual sources;
- demonstrate an understanding of the current trends in the field of history;
- critically analyze the complexity of historical events, issues, and personalities, both orally and in writing;
- analyze and describe the types of governments within the current global community;
- define and evaluate the roles of the chief executive, legislatures, judicial systems within the current political system;
- explain and evaluate the role of public opinion, elections, mass media, and interest groups in the current political system; and
- analyze and evaluate current political issues.

Transfer of Credits

History/Political Science graduates may transfer credits to a bachelor's degree program at a four-year college or university. Please direct specific questions to a Student Affairs advisor.

* A three-credit internship may be available to qualified students with written approval from the Dean of Academic Affairs.

CREDITS

FIRST SEMESTER

<input type="checkbox"/>	ENG 101	English Composition I	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIS 101	Western Civilization I	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MAT 134	Contemporary Mathematics	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL 101	Introduction to Political Science	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Humanities Elective	<u>3</u>
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SECOND SEMESTER

<input type="checkbox"/>	ENG 102	English Composition II	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIS 102	Western Civilization II	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	MAT 201	Statistics	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSY 101	General Psychology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Humanities Elective	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Political Science Elective	<u>3</u>
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THIRD SEMESTER

<input type="checkbox"/>	ENG 202	Introduction to Speech Communication	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIS 201	United States History I	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Computer Science Elective	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Science Elective	<u>4</u>
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FOURTH SEMESTER

<input type="checkbox"/>	HIS 202	United States History II	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	POL 102	American Government	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Humanities Elective	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Open Elective*	3
<input type="checkbox"/>		Science Elective	<u>4</u>
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TOTAL CREDITS: **65**

N.J. GENERAL EDUCATION COMPONENT FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE - HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE

Communication:	ENG 101, ENG 102, ENG 202
Math/Science/Technological Competency:	MAT 134, MAT 201, 2 Science Electives
Social Science:	POL 101, PSY 101
Humanities:	3 Humanities Electives
History:	HIS 101, HIS 201
Cultural/Global Awareness:	SOC 101