

## ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)

The Political Science program at CSN emphasizes familiarizing students with the basis and functioning of the United States and Nevada governments. Students will also learn about the workings of international relations and the role of the United States in world politics. The study of Political Science will prepare students to pursue many different jobs and careers, especially in the fields of government service, diplomacy, law, politics, and teaching.

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - Graduates of this program will have the opportunity to:**

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the Nevada Constitution and the Bill of Rights, and the major institutions of government, executive, legislative, judicial, and the remaining amendments to the United States Constitution.
- Provide a rationale for the study of American Politics and the historical development of this field.
- Demonstrate a greater knowledge and understanding of this democratic republic, as well as demonstrate an understanding of U.S. public policy and its relation to our lives.

Courses with "H" suffixes are designated Honors level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (35 Credits):**

	CR	SEMESTER
<b>ENGLISH:</b> ENG 100 or 101 or 113 and 102 or 114	6-8	_____
<b>LITERATURE:</b> ENG 223 or above	3	_____
<b>FINE ARTS:</b> ART, DAN 101, Music, THTR	3	_____
<b>HUMANITIES:</b> COM 101 and ENG 223 or above, HIST, International Languages 111 or above, PHIL	6	_____
<b>ANALYTICAL THINKING:</b> PHIL 102	3	_____
<b>MATHEMATICS:</b> MATH 120, 124 or above	3	_____
<b>LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES:</b> (Two courses from the following, one must include a lab): AST, BIOL, CHEM 105 or above, ENV, GEOG 103, 104, 117, GEOL, PHYS	7	_____
<b>U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS:</b> HIST 101 and HIST 102 or HIST 101 and HIST 217	4-6	_____

**SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (25 Credits):**

	CR	SEMESTER
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES:</b> ECON 103 and ANTH, CRJ 104, PSY, SOC	6	_____
<b>FINE ARTS:</b> ART, DAN 101, Music, THTR	3	_____
<b>PSC 101</b> Introduction to American Politics	4	_____
<b>PSC 200</b> Survey of Political Theory	3	_____
<b>PSC 211</b> Introduction to Comparative Politics	3	_____
<b>Plus 6 credits from the following:</b>		
<b>PSC</b>		
_____	3	_____
_____	3	_____

PSC-AA **60**  
Total Credits

Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.

**Guided Pathway  
Associate of Arts (AA) Political Science Emphasis  
Total Credits – 60**

First Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
<b>English</b> ENG 100, 101, or 113	3		
<b>Mathematics</b> MATH 120, 124 or above	3		
<b>PSC 200</b>	3		
<b>Analytical Thinking</b> PHIL 101	4		
<b>Humanities COM 101</b>	3		
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS</b>	<b>16</b>		
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS</b>			
Second Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
<b>English</b> ENG 102 or 114	3		
<b>Fine Arts</b> Elective	3		
<b>Humanities</b> Elective	3		
<b>US/Nevada Constitution</b> Elective	4		
<b>PSC 200</b>	3		
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS</b>	<b>16</b>		
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS</b>			
Third Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
<b>Social Sciences</b> Elective	3		
<b>Life &amp; Physical Sciences</b> Elective	3		
<b>PSC 211</b>	3		
<b>PSC</b> Elective	3		
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS</b>	<b>12</b>		
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS</b>			
Fourth Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
<b>Literature</b> ENG 223 or above	3		
<b>Life &amp; Physical Sciences</b> Elective	4		
<b>Social Sciences</b> Elective	3		
<b>Fine Arts</b> Elective	3		
<b>PSC</b> Elective	3		
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS</b>	<b>16</b>		
<b>Degree TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>		
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS</b>			
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*\*Offered Only Spring Semester*