Associate of Arts Degree to BA in Political Science

St. Charles Community College students who plan to transfer to Truman State University with the Associate of Arts degree are strongly encouraged to prepare for transfer by completing the courses listed below. By following this plan for degree completion, students are assured that they will be able to transfer without loss of credit or duplication of courses, that they will complete prerequisites for later course work, and that they will be prepared to make a smooth transition from St. Charles to Truman.

Students who complete the Associate of Arts degree will fulfill the Essential Skills, Modes of Inquiry, Truman Week, and Intercultural requirements of Truman’s Liberal Studies Program. Transfer students must fulfill all other degree requirements that are required of native Truman students.

Students who do not complete the courses as listed on this plan or who transfer without the Associate of Arts degree will have their coursework evaluated and applied to degree requirements on a course-by-course basis.

Students are recommended to complete the following courses to fulfill requirements for their Associate of Arts degree at St. Charles Community College:

Communication – 9 credit hours

- ENG 101 English Composition I
- ENG 102 English Composition II
- SPE 101 Oral Communication

Social Science – 9 credit hours

Complete one course from Group I, and one course from Group II. Select the third course from Group I, II, or III. Students must fulfill the state statute requirements for the United States and Missouri Constitutions.

Group I
- HIS 101 U.S. History to 1877
- HIS 102 U.S. History Since 1877
- HIS 115 U.S. History Since 1945 (elective at Truman but does fulfill MO Statute)
- HIS 270 History of Missouri
- POL 101 American Government *required for Truman Political Science major

Group II
- ANT xxx Any ANT course
- CRJ 140 Introduction to Criminal Justice System
- ECO 100 Survey Economics
- ECO 110 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 120 Principles of Microeconomics
- GEO xxx Any GEO course
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology
- SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 102 Introduction to Sociological Theory

**Group III**
One additional course from Group I or II

**OR**
HIS xxx Any HIS course
POL xxx Any POL course

**Humanities – 9 credit hours**

Complete one course from Group I, one course from Group II, and one additional course from Group I or Group II.

**Group I**
ART 101 Art Appreciation
ART 150 Survey of Western Art History I: Prehistory to End of the Middle Ages
ART 151 Survey of Western Art History II: Renaissance to the Twentieth Century
ART 160 Art History II (formerly called Modern and Contemporary Art History)
ART 170 Design I
MUS 110 American Music Appreciation (elective but Fine Art Mode at Truman)
MUS 111 Music Appreciation
MUS 112 Jazz Appreciation
MUS 234 Jazz History
THE 122 Introduction to the Theater

**Group II**
Taking two courses in the same foreign language will apply toward the foreign language requirement for the Political Science major.
FL xxx Any FL course
LIT xxx Any LIT course
PHL xxx Any PHL course

**Multicultural/Valuing – 3 credit hours**

Complete one course from the following:
Taking the third course in the same foreign language as above will apply toward the intermediate foreign language requirement for the Political Science major.
FL 101 Foreign Language and Culture I
FL 102 Foreign Language and Culture II
FL 201 Foreign Language and Culture III
FL 202 Foreign Language and Culture IV

**OR**
ANT 102 Intro to Cultural Anthropology
ANT 151 World Archaeology
ANT 202 Current Debates in Anthropology
ESL 102 ESL: Intermediate Composition for Non-Native Speakers
GEO 100 Principles of Geography
HIS 145 Western Civilization, Ancient and Medieval Heritage
HIS 146    Western Civilizations, Modern European Heritage
LIT 200    World Mythology
LIT 271    Contemporary Voices of Global Literature
LIT 272    World Literature: Ancient World Through the Renaissance
LIT 273    World Literature: Enlightenment to the 20th Century
MUS 111    Music Appreciation
PHL 201    World Religion
POL 201    International Relations
POL 210    Comparative Politics
POL 255    European Politics and Culture

Mathematics – 3-5 credit hours

Complete one course from the following:
MAT 160    College Algebra
MAT 171    Pre-Calculus Mathematics
MAT 180    Calculus and Analytic Geometry
MAT 210    Survey of Calculus

Natural Science – 8 credit hours

Complete one course from Group I and one course from Group II including at least one lab

Group I
BIO 101/103 General Biology I and Lab
       OR
BIO 150    General Biology I and Lab
BIO 105/106 Essentials of Biology and Lab
BIO 125/127 General Botany and Lab
BIO 160    General Botany and Lab

Group II
CHM 101/103 Introduction to Chemistry and Lab
CHM 110/113 General Chemistry I and Lab
       OR
CHM 115    General Chemistry I
PHY 111/113 Introduction to Physical Science and Lab
PHY 130/131 Astronomy and Lab
PHY 150/153 General Physics I and Lab
PHY 240/243 College Physics I and Lab

Computer Literacy Requirement – 3 credit hours

Complete one course from the following:
BAS 103    Microcomputer Applications
CPT 103    Microcomputer Applications
CPT 115    Introduction to Data Processing
EDU 220    Educational Technology
Capstone – 1 credit hour

COL 299  Sophomore Portfolio Assessment

Transferable Major Field Requirements – 19+ credit hours

From the following courses, choose courses to total 64 credits for the degree.

- MAT 175  Introductory Statistics
- POL 201  International Relations *required by Political Science major at Truman
- POL 210  Comparative Politics *required by Political Science major at Truman
- POL 102  State and Local Government
- POL 255  European Politics and Culture
- POL 280  Modern Britain

Satisfactorily complete the second year of a single foreign language (FL 202), or demonstrate intermediate proficiency as determined by a CLEP examination.

- FL 102  Foreign Language and Culture II
- FL 201  Foreign Language and Culture III
- FL 202  Foreign Language and Culture IV

Total credits required for the Associate of Arts degree: 64

After completing the Associate of Arts degree at St Charles Community College, students will then complete the following courses at Truman State University to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Students may transfer any of the following 100-200 level equivalent coursework from SCC provided the 28 hours residency requirement, the 45 hours of Truman coursework, and the major hour requirements for Truman are met.

Junior Interdisciplinary Writing-Enhanced Seminar (JINS) – 3 credit hours

Bachelor of Arts Requirements – 0-6 credit hours

Complete the second year of a single foreign language, or demonstrate intermediate proficiency as determined by a CLEP exam, or successfully complete a higher-level foreign language course. Students who have completed FL 202 at SCC have fulfilled this requirement.

Required Support – 15 credit hours

Fifteen hours from one other discipline, any established and approved University minor, or 15 hours of any coursework from multiple disciplines if approved by the student’s advisor and the Department Chair.

Students may apply up to twelve hours of POL 471 Internship: Political Science toward Required Support and up to three hours of POL 472 Internship Evaluation and Analysis toward Required Support or Political Science electives.
Major Requirements – 27 credit hours

- POL 250  Introduction to International Relations (if not completed at SCC)
- POL 300  Political Science Methodology
- POL 345  Public Policy-Making
- POL 460  Senior Seminar in Political Science
- POL 468  Political Thought

Electives in Political Science – 12 credit hours
Some of these electives could have been completed at SCC as part of transfer course work.

Writing-Enhanced Requirement

Complete at least two additional courses at Truman, in addition to the JINS course, that are listed as Writing-Enhanced. These courses may be used to fulfill other requirements.

Total credits required for the Baccalaureate of Arts degree: 120

Additional Information

- Minimum GPA required: 2.00
- Residency Requirements: For a Truman degree, at least 45 hours of credit must be completed in residence at Truman, including at least 15 hours of coursework in the major. In addition, the last 28 hours applied toward the degree must be completed in residence at Truman. Students must also complete at least 40 hours of 300+ level coursework.
- SCC Contact: Student Development Office, 636-922-8241 or 8246
- Truman Contact: Erin Shaw 660-785-5146, Kimberly Titus 660-785-4143, or Dr. Randy Hagerty, 660-785-4333
- Location: Kirksville, Missouri