

**TRANSFER GUIDE
B.A. Political Science
Political Science Concentration
MESA STATE COLLEGE**

Section I: Degree/Program Requirements

A. Institutional graduation requirements for this degree program.

The graduation requirements for a transfer student pursuing this major will be no different than the graduation requirements for a native student, including the minimum number of semester credit hours required for graduation requirements. Specifically, the student must:

- Complete 120 credit hours successfully,
- Successfully complete the 6 credit hour B.A. Degree Distinction requirement (foreign language),
- Successfully complete the 3 credit hour Human Performance and Wellness graduation requirement,
- Successfully complete the required 48 credit hours in the major,
- Earn a grade of 2.0 or higher for all courses in the major and a 2.0 overall GPA for all courses taken,
- Successfully complete the required 40 credit hours of upper division courses (numbered 300 or higher) and,
- Successfully complete the required number of elective credit hours toward the degree and,
- Meet graduation requirements regarding exit exams and/or any other major-specific requirements appearing on the student degree/program plan.

B. Required courses in Major, including pre-requisites and required supporting courses.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUIRED COURSES: Required courses to be taken as part of AA/AS degree to guarantee the completion of a baccalaureate degree in 60 additional credits after transfer.

Required courses

POS 111 American Government (3)

Recommended courses

MAT 135 Introduction to Statistics (3)

POS 125 American State and Local Government (3)

POS 216 Comparative Governments (3)

** Elective credit hours section of Mesa State degree will include all transfer credits not used in any other manner*

*** Students at community colleges offering Physical Education courses may want to check with advisor regarding acceptable courses for fulfillment of Human Performance and Wellness graduation requirement. Students taking foreign language courses at the community college need to check with an advisor regarding possible fulfillment of the BA Degree Distinction requirement*

DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

	Course Number	Course Name	Credit Hours	CC Course Number	CC Course Name (recommend these courses be taken while at CC)	CC Credit Hours
Required Major Core Courses BA Political Science, Political Science Concentration						
	POS 236	State and Local Government	3	POS125	American State & Local Gov	(3)
	POS 261	Comparative Politics	3	POS216	Comparative Governments	(3)
	POLS 324	The Legislative Process	3			
	POLS 325	The American Presidency	3			
	POLS 342	Public Administration	3			
	POLS 370	World Politics	3			
	POLS 412	Constitutional Law	3			
	POLS 452 <u>or</u> POLS 453	Political Theory: Classical/Med <u>or</u> Political Theory: Modern	3			

	POLS 475	American/Foreign/Nat'l Security	3			
	POLS 490	Senior Seminar: Political Sci	3			
	STAT 200	Probability and Statistics	3	MAT135	Introduction to Statistics	(3)
	SOCI 310	Methods of Social Research	3			
Required Electives, Political Science Concentration						
	Select 3 courses from given list		9			
General Electives *						
	Degree total 30 elective cr.	Electives (see advisor for Upper Division credit hour requirements)	6			
Other graduation requirements **						
	B.A. Degree Distinction Two consecutive courses of approved Foreign Language		6			
	Human Performance and Wellness		3			
Graduation Requirements beyond AA/AS degree			60			
Associate of Arts/Science Degree			60			
TOTAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS			120			

Section II: Transfer of Credit

A. Grade Eligibility

Only academic courses with a letter grade of C or better are transferable. If a course is taken pass/fail or satisfactory/unsatisfactory, the grade must be C or better to be satisfactory or pass.

For purposes of transfer acceptance only, a C- is considered the same as a C. Mesa State College will accept and count toward meeting graduation requirements all state guaranteed general education courses that have a grade of C or better.

B. Treatment of Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) in awarding credit

Mesa State College accepts scores of 3 and above (dependent on subject type) for Advance Placement exams and scores of 5 and above (dependent on subject of exam and level of exam) for International Baccalaureate exams.

C. Age of Transfer credit

In general, Mesa State College will accept all approved credits earned with 15 years of transfer. Mesa State reserves the right to evaluate, on a course-by-course basis, any credits earned 15 or more years prior to enrollment.

Section III: Appeals Process

A. Institutional Appeal Process

Students who follow this agreement shall have the right to appeal a transfer decision that appears to be inconsistent with the terms and courses listed in this agreement. Appeals pertaining to this transfer guide should be filed with the Mesa State College Vice President of Academic Affairs. A student may file an appeal that pertains to state guaranteed general education courses directly to CCHE.

