

A.A. Transfer Program Map: Law/Politics (Political Science)



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Florida SouthWestern State College

PUBLIC SAFETY & LAW PATHWAY
ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE (A.A.):

LAW/POLITICS (POLITICAL SCIENCE)

CATALOG YEAR 2025-2026

Suggested Course Sequence

This map is designed for students planning to transition to a Bachelor's Degree in the Florida State College or State University System after completing an AA degree. This plan includes common required prerequisites and recommended courses for success in the program.

Classes with the symbol help you explore this career pathway to see if it's right for you!

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Semester 1

Course	Credits	Notes
SLS 1515	CORNERSTONE EXPERIENCE	3
ENC 1101*	COMPOSITION I	3
LAW STUDIES ELECTIVE	CHOOSE ANY: - PLA 2880: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW - BUL 2241: BUSINESS LAW - CJL 2100: CRIMINAL LAW	3
MGF 1130	MATHEMATICAL THINKING	3
POS 2041 (CIVIC. LIT.)	AMERICAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT	3
Total Semester Credits:		15

Semester 2

Course	Credits	Notes
ENC 1102*	COMPOSITION II	3
STA 2023	STATISTICAL METHODS I	3 ALTERNATE: MGF 1131
NATURAL SCIENCE	ANY GEN. ED. CORE NATURAL SCIENCE	3 ONE SCIENCE MUST HAVE A LAB COMPONENT
SPC 2608	INTRO TO PUBLIC SPEAKING	3 ALTERNATE: SPC 1017
LAW STUDIES ELECTIVE	CHOOSE ANY FROM LIST ABOVE	3 ADDITIONAL OPTION: PLA 2200
Total Semester Credits:		15
Total Academic Year Credits:		30

Semester 3

Course	Credits	Notes
NATURAL SCIENCE	ANY GEN. ED. NATURAL SCIENCE	3 ONE SCIENCE MUST HAVE A LAB COMPONENT
LAW STUDIES ELECTIVE	CHOOSE ANY FROM LIST ABOVE	3 ADDITIONAL OPTION: PLA 2200
HUMANITIES*	ANY WRIT. INTENS. CORE HUMANITIES	3 CHOOSE HUM 2020, LIT 2000, OR PHI 2010
INR 2002	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	3
CGS 1100	COMPUTER APPLICATIONS FOR BUSINESS	3
Total Semester Credits:		15

Semester 4

Course	Credits	Notes
ECO 2013	PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS	3
CPO 2001	COMPARATIVE POLITICS	3
LAW STUDIES ELECTIVE	CHOOSE ANY FROM LIST ABOVE	3 ALTERNATE: PLA 2200
IDS 2891	CREATIVE CAPSTONE	3
HUMANITIES*	ANY WRITING INTENS. HUMANITIES	3
Total Semester Credits:		15
Total Academic Year Credits:		30
Overall Credits:		60

- Students must meet the Core, *Writing Intensive, Civic Literacy, Foreign Language, and College requirements defined in the College Catalog.
- It is recommended for students to check with their transfer institution regarding the transferability of major-specific coursework.
- Classes not listed here may be used to satisfy AA degree requirements. However, there are prerequisite courses required for specific programs at every Florida public college and university.
- To maintain timely graduation, it is highly recommended that you complete all common prerequisite course work prior to being admitted into a Bachelor's degree program. Some institutions may require that all prerequisites be completed before acceptance into the major.
- Your Student Success Advisor can help you make a personalized plan. www.fsw.edu/advising

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A.A. Degree Transfer Worksheet: Law/Politics (Political Science)

CATALOG YEAR 2025-2026



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Use this worksheet to plan ahead and keep track of courses you have taken, as you progress through your A.A. degree and prepare to transition to a Bachelor's Degree. This checklist also includes example modifications for popular transfer schools. ****NOTE: Prerequisites and transfer requirements can change without notice.** Always confirm with your advisor and your intended school. Classes with the symbol help you explore this career pathway to see if it's right for you!

Common Pre-Requisites & FSW Recommended Courses		Credits	Semester	Example Transfer Requirements**			
				Florida Gulf Coast University	University of Florida	University of South Florida	Other Transfer School:
FSW Cornerstone Experience and Creative Capstone							
SLS 1515	CORNERSTONE EXPERIENCE	3		X	X	X	X
IDS 2891	CREATIVE CAPSTONE	3		X	X	X	X
Communication							
ENC 1101*	COMPOSITION I	3		X	X	X	
ENC 1102*	COMPOSITION II	3		X	X	X	
Humanities							
HUMANITIES*	ANY WRITING INTENS. CORE HUMANITIES	3		X	X	X	
HUMANITIES*	ANY WRITING INTENS. HUMANITIES	3		X	X	X	
Social Science							
POS 2041	AMERICAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT	3		X	X	X	
INR 2002	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	3		X++	X	X++	
Mathematics							
MGF 1130	MATHEMATICAL THINKING	3		Alternate: Any Core Gen. Ed. Math	Alternate: Any Core Gen. Ed. Math	Alternate: Any Core Gen. Ed. Math	
STA 2023	STATISTICAL METHODS I	3		Alternate: Any Gen. Ed. Math	Alternate: Any Gen. Ed. Math (STA 2023 Preferred)++	Alternate: Any Gen. Ed. Math (STA 2023 Preferred)++	
Natural Science							
COURSE NUMBERS ENDING IN "L" ARE LABS. COURSE NUMBERS ENDING IN "C" AUTOMATICALLY INCLUDE LECTURE AND LAB COMBINED.							
NATURAL SCI.	ANY GEN. ED. CORE NATURAL SCIENCE	3		X	X	X	
NATURAL SCI.	ANY GEN. ED NATURAL SCIENCE	3		X	X	X	
NATURAL SCI.	ANY GEN. ED. NATURAL SCIENCE LAB	Varies		X	X	X	
Electives / Gen. Ed. Flex							
ECO 2013	PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: ECO 2023	
SPC 2608	INTRO TO PUBLIC SPEAKING	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	
CPO 2001	COMPARATIVE POLITICS	3		X++	X	X++	
BUL 2241	BUSINESS LAW	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	
CGS 1100	COMPUTER APPLICATIONS FOR BUSINESS	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	
PLA 2880	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	
CJL 2100	CRIMINAL LAW	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	
PLA 2200	LITIGATION	3		Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	Alternate: Any AA Elective	
Foreign Language, Dual Enrollment, and Other Requirements (If Needed)							
ENC 1130+	IMPROVING COL. WRITING (COUNTS AS ELECTIVE)	3		Notes:	Notes:	Notes:	Notes:
MAT 0018+	MATH FOR SUCCESS LIB. ARTS (DEVELOPMENTAL: DOES NOT COUNT AS ELECTIVE OR MATH)	4		++ Students going into the Political Science B.A. must have CPO 2001 or INR 2002.	++ STA 2023 is preferred. It is not required for admission, but is required to complete the bachelor's degree.	++ STA 2023 is preferred. It is not required for admission, but is required to complete the bachelor's degree.	
Florida Civic Literacy Exam Requirement (FCLE) - Check if Satisfied				<p>This is aligned with the 2025-26 FGCU Catalog. Admission and pre-requisite requirements may change by the time you seek to enroll.</p> <p>This is aligned with the 2024-25 UF Catalog. Admission and pre-requisite requirements may change by the time you seek to enroll.</p> <p>++Must have CPO 2001 or INR 2002</p> <p>This is aligned with the 2024-25 USF Catalog. Admission and pre-requisite requirements may change by the time you seek to enroll.</p>			
<p>- Students must meet the Core, *Writing Intensive, Civic Literacy, Foreign Language, and College requirements as outlined in the College Catalog.</p> <p>- It is recommended for students to check with their transfer institution regarding the transferability of major specific coursework.</p> <p>- Classes not listed here may be used to satisfy AA degree requirements. However, there are pre-requisite courses required for specific programs at every Florida public college and university.</p> <p>- To maintain timely graduation, it is highly recommended that you complete all common prerequisite course work prior to being admitted into a Bachelor's degree program. Some institutions may require that all prerequisites be completed before acceptance into the major.</p> <p>- Your Student Success Advisor can help you make a personalized plan. www.fsw.edu/advising</p> <p>+Only take this class if required by test scores or other college placement requirements. Total credits for degree may exceed the number indicated.</p>				<p>Note about bachelor's degrees and law school: This program map follows the plan for Political Science, which is a common major for students who plan to earn a Juris Doctorate degree and become lawyers. However, there is <u>no specific major</u> or pre-requisite coursework required to apply to law school after graduating from a bachelor's degree program. Note also that Paralegal Studies is a separate field, with different course requirements, and career opportunities. Work with your Advisor to plan.</p>			
<p>**IMPORTANT: This tool is designed to help you plan. Schools may have additional transfer requirements not listed here, and pre-requisite course requirements can change without notice. Always confirm transfer requirements directly with your destination schools and plan carefully and frequently with your Academic Advisor.</p>							