

# Liberal Arts: Political Science

## Associate in Arts

### **DIVISION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

This interdisciplinary program explores political issues and controversies along historical, cultural, and sociological dimensions. Students are challenged to examine the relationship between national and global structures from a variety of social and political frameworks.

This program is eligible for MassTransfer and prepares students to continue into bachelor's degree programs in many disciplines including Political Science, Law and Legal Studies, History, Sociology, and Public Policy.

Upon successful completion, the Associate in Arts Degree in Liberal Arts: Political Science is awarded.

### **PROGRAM FOOTNOTES**

#### **History Elective:**

Students are strongly encouraged to take one of the following History sequences for their two History Electives:

HS 101 Western Civilization I & HS 102 Western Civilization II,  
HS 103 World Civilization I & HS 104 World Civilization II,  
HS 105 United States History to 1877 & HS 106 United States History Since 1877

**Humanities Electives:** Art, Communication, English (EN 103 or higher), Film, Foreign Language, Humanities, Literature, Music, Oral Communication, Philosophy, Photography, Sign Language, or Theater Arts

#### **Laboratory Science Elective:**

BI 101 General Biology I, BI 102 General Biology II,  
BI 110 Principles of Biology I. BI 120 Principles of Biology II,  
BI 215 Anatomy and Physiology I, BI 217 Anatomy and Physiology II,  
CH 101 College Chemistry I, CH 102 College Chemistry II,  
CH 110 Principles of Chemistry I, CH 120 Principles of Chemistry II,  
EV 103 Environmental Studies I & EV 104 Environmental Studies II, or PY  
101 College Physics I, PY 102 College Physics II,  
PY 103 Engineering Physics I, PY 104 Engineering Physics II,  
SC 102 Integrated Science I, SC 103 Integrated Science II

#### **Program Electives:**

Any Government, History, Law, Geography or Foreign Language Course at the College or:

EC 201 Macroeconomics, HU 105 Exploring World Religions,  
PH 102 Philosophy: Ethics, PS 250 Research Methods,  
SO 101 Introduction to Sociology, SO 115 Social Problems or  
SO 203 Race and Ethnic Relations

#### **Science Elective:**

Any 3 or 4 credit Science course at the College.

Quantitative skills is a MassBay graduation competency for associate degree programs. Prior to graduation, students must demonstrate this competency by completing a 100-level math course (not MAC); or placing into a 200-level mathematics course.

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
<i>First Year Semester 1</i>		
EN 101	English Composition I	3
	History Elective	3
CT 100 *	Critical Thinking	3
LA 230	Law and Society	3
GV 101	American Government	3
	<b>credits:</b>	15
<i>First Year Semester 2</i>		
EN 102	English Composition II	3
	History Elective	3
GV 103	State and Local Government	3
CS 100*	Computers and Technology	3
MA 105	Introduction to Statistics	3
	<b>credits:</b>	15
<i>Second Year Semester 1</i>		
	Laboratory Science Elective	4
GV202	Comparative Government and Politics	3
	Program Elective	3
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CO 103	Intercultural Communications	3
	<b>credits:</b>	16
<i>Second Year Semester 2</i>		
	Science Elective	3/4
	Humanities Elective	3
GV210	Introduction to International Relations	3
	Program Elective	3
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	<b>credits:</b>	15/16
	<b>Total Credits:</b>	<b>61/62</b>

\* Student may meet this requirement by successfully passing a challenge exam.

The program qualifies for MassTransfer with select public Institutions in Massachusetts. For more information, visit [www.mass.edu/masstransfer](http://www.mass.edu/masstransfer).