

Bowling Green State University

Political Science Bachelor of Arts

Effective beginning Academic Year 2019-20 (Last revised February 16, 2023)

The following table outlines how transfer credits will be applied to the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science degree at Bowling Green State University for students who completed an Associate of Arts degree via the Ohio Guaranteed Political Science Transfer Pathway. The OGTP designation guarantees the transfer and applicability of credits, but does not guarantee admission to a program. Some bachelor-degree granting programs may be competitive, and students should check with individual institutions for their program admission requirements.

COURSE EQUIVALENCIES FROM THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE	Course Number	Credit Hours
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS/OHIO TRANSFER 36		
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved First Writing (TME001) course	WRIT 1110	3
Introductory Statistics (TMM010) recommended	MATH 1150	3
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Arts and Humanities course (Recommended: Humanities related)	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Arts and Humanities course (Recommended: Arts related)	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
American Politics/Government (OSS011)	POLS 1100	3
Any approved Ohio Transfer 36 Social and Behavioral Sciences course (outside of Political Science)	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Natural Sciences course	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Natural Sciences course with lab	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3-4
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Second Writing (TME002) course	WRIT 1120 ¹	3
Up to 9 additional hours of Ohio Transfer 36 approved courses	Ohio Transfer 36 Electives*	9
PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR		
American Politics/Government (OSS011) (counted as part of the Ohio Transfer 36)	POLS 1100	0
International Affairs/Relations (OSS012)	POLS 1720	3
Comparative Government (OSS013)	POLS 1710	3
State and Local Government (OSS014)	POLS 3310	3
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS		
World Language	Varies*	6-8
Electives	Varies*	3-6
TOTAL HOURS FROM ASSOCIATE DEGREE:		60-65

Advising Notes:

^(*) Indicates that coursework will be evaluated for applicable equivalency upon transfer at the university. If a Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) course is taken, the approved course equivalency will be awarded.

¹ Successful completion of WRIT 1120 with a "C or higher" is a BGSU graduation requirement.



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REMAINING COURSEWO	ORK TO COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE	Course Number	Credit Hours
BG Perspective:	Cultural Diversity in the United States (if not taken during the associate degree) ¹	Varies	0-3
Arts and Sciences Requirement:	World Language III and World Language IV ²	Varies	6
MDC:	Multidisciplinary Component ³	Varies	9
Major Requirement:	Statistics and Research Methods	POLS 2900	3
Major Requirement:	POLS 3000/4000 Electives	Varies	18
Major Requirement:	POLS Experiential Learning	POLS 4900, 4920, 4930, or 4960	3
Minor Requirement:	Minor Courses ⁴	Varies	18
Minor Requirement:	Minor Courses or Electives⁴	Varies	3
Elective:	Elective (if needed)	Varies	3
REMAINING COURSEWORK TO COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE TOTAL:5		63-66	

Advising Notes:

- ¹ Students must complete the Bowling Green Perspective (BGP) requirements, which include select courses that meet the International Perspective (completion of both OSS0012 and OSS013 satisfies this requirement as well as the first MDC course) and the Cultural Diversity in the United States requirements at BGSU. Consult an advisor when selecting courses.
- ² Assumes that the student has completed the first two semesters of the language sequence prior to entering BGSU.
- ³ The College of Arts and Sciences at BGSU requires a four-course Multidisciplinary Component (MDC). Students are strongly encouraged to work with their advisor to maximize the potential transfer credit to fulfill the first two courses of the MDC. The four courses selected for the MDC may be closely related to the major, sample the diverse domains of the arts, humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences, or be interdisciplinary in nature. Each course must have a different prefix; at least two courses must be at 3000- or 4000-level; and courses applied to the MDC will not fulfill other Arts and Sciences degree requirements, nor will MDC courses fulfill the major, minor, BGP, or other program requirements.
- ⁴ Assumes that the student selects a minor with 21-24 semester hours and completes at least one course in the minor discipline prior to entering BGSU.
- ⁵BGSU requires a total of 122 credit hours for degree completion. The total number of hours in the third and fourth years represent a range of hours that may be needed depending on the individual course selections made during the first two years.

COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE	Total Credit Hours
BACHELOR'S DEGREE TOTAL:	122

SPECIAL NOTES

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SAMPLE DEGREE MAP

THIRD YEAR

SEMESTER 5		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
POLS 2900 Statistics and Research Methods	3	
POLS 3000/4000 Elective	3	
Minor Course	3	
Minor Course	3	
World Language III	3	
Elective (if needed)	0-3	
Total Semester 5 Credit Hours	15-18	

SEMESTER 6		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
Cultural Diversity in the United States (if not taken during the associate degree)	0-3	
POLS 3000/4000 Elective	3	
POLS 3000/4000 Elective	3	
Minor Course	3	
MDC 2	3	
World Language IV	3	
Total Semester 6 Credit Hours	15-18	

FOURTH YEAR

SEMESTER 7		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
POLS 3000/4000 Elective	3	
POLS 3000/4000 Elective	3	
MDC 3000/4000 Course	3	
Minor Course	3	
Minor Course	3	
Total Semester 7 Credit Hours	15	

SEMESTER 8		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
POLS 4900 Capstone Seminar in Political Science, POLS 4920 Field Study, POLS 4930 Study Abroad, or POLS 4960 Research Experience in Political Science	3	
POLS 3000/4000 Elective	3	
MDC 3000/4000 Course	3	
Minor Course	3	
Minor Course or Elective	3	
Total Semester 8 Credit Hours	15	