Political Science Option

The Liberal Arts and Sciences curriculum prepares a student to be an accomplished and productive human being. A liberal arts degree opens doors to the professions and to rewarding and responsible careers. Future physicians, teachers, scientists, lawyers, and businessmen, for example, develop themselves as well-rounded individuals, in addition to completing their pre-professional work. The academic experiences in liberal arts and sciences provide the foundation for later specialization, graduate study, and professional school. The Political Science Option offers a greater degree of specialization.

Curriculum Coordinator: Dr. Peter Kolozi

Liberal Arts and Sciences Curriculum (Pathways)
60 Credits required for A.A. Degree

Required Core
A. English Composition (6 Credits)
B. Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning (3 Credits)
C. Life and Physical Sciences¹ (3-4 Credits)
SUBTOTAL 12-13

Flexible Core
A. World Cultures and Global Issues (6 Credits)
B. U.S. Experience in Diversity (3 Credits)
C. Creative Expression (3 Credits)
D. Individual and Society (3 Credits)
E. Scientific World (3 Credits)
SUBTOTAL 18

Required Areas of Study I
NOTE: Students will complete a minimum of six credits of these requirements within the Flexible Core. Transfer students who have completed Common Core requirements at a previous institution will not be required to complete credits in excess of the 60 credit requirement.

• ART and MUSIC
  ART 11 Introduction to Art History OR
  ART 12 Introduction to Art History: Africa, the Americas, Asia and the Middle East OR
  MUS 11 Introduction to Music OR
  MUS 12 Introduction to Music: A Multi-Cultural Survey of World Music (0-3 Credits)

• COMMUNICATIONS
  COMM, THEA, FILM, MEST (0-3 Credits)
• ENGLISH² (0-3 Credits)
• HISTORY Select ONE from HIS, GEO, PHL (0-3 Credits)
• MODERN LANGUAGES Select TWO from the same language at the appropriate level (0-6 Credits)
• SOCIAL SCIENCE Select ONE from ANT, CRJ, ECO, HSC, PSY, SOC (0-3 Credits)
SUBTOTAL 6-15

Required Areas of Study II
• PEA Physical Education OR
  HLT 91 Critical Issues in Health (1-2 Credits)
• SCIENCE LAB¹ Science Laboratory (0-1 Credit)
• FREE ELECTIVES (0-10 Credits)
SUBTOTAL 1-13

Political Science Specialization
• POL 11 American National Government (0-3 Credits)
• POLITICAL SCIENCE Choose any THREE from
  POL 21, POL 31, POL 41, POL 42, POL 51, POL 61, POL 71, POL 72, POL 81 (0-9 Credits)
SUBTOTAL 12

¹ Students may select either a 4-credit STEM variant science course or a 3-credit science course to fulfill Required Core
² Students selecting a 3-credit course must also complete an additional 1-credit lab course to fulfill graduation requirements.

The Political Science option is fully articulated with Lehman’s B.A. in Political Science and with SUNY Empire State College. Students should review the articulation agreement available on the Transfer Planning website.