

**TRANSFER GUIDE**  
**Politics and Government**  
**Western State College of Colorado**  
**2007-2008**

**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 credits required for graduation. Specifically, the student must meet the following requirements:

- Complete 120 credits;
- Successfully complete the required 36 credits in the major;
- Successfully complete at least 15 upper-division courses in the major;
- Successfully complete at least 18 credits in the required minor; and
- Successfully complete at least 40 upper-division credits.

B. Required courses in the major, including pre-requisites and required supporting courses, as listed in the chart below:

<b>Community College Required Courses:</b> Required courses to be taken as part of the AA/AS degree to guarantee the completion a baccalaureate degree in 60 additional credits after transfer.						
None.						
<b>Degree Program Requirements</b>						
	<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>CC Course Number</b>	<b>CC Course Name</b> (recommend these courses be taken while at CC)	<b>CC Credit Hours</b>
<b>Required Major Courses</b>						
	POLS 117	Introduction to Political Ideas	3	POS 105	Introduction to Political Science	3
	POLS 180	Introduction to American Government	3	POS 111	American Government	3
	POLS 255	Introduction to Comparative Government	3			
	POLS 260	Introduction to World Politics	3			
	POLS 309	Political Theory I – Ancient to Early Modern	3			
	POLS 310	Political Theory II – Late Modern and Contemporary	3			
	POLS Elective		3			

	<i>At least one of the following:</i>		3			
	POLS 376	American Political Thought I – From Puritans to Slaveholders	3			
	POLS 476	American Political Thought II – American Capitalism and Democracy	3			
	<i>At least two of the following:</i>		6			
	POLS 182	Issues in State and Local Government	3			
	POLS 300	Constitutional Law I	3			
	POLS 301	Constitutional Law II	3			
	POLS 330	Congress and the Politics of Representation	3			
	POLS 331	Politics of the Presidency	3			
	<i>At least one of the following:</i>		3			
	ECON 303	International Economics and Globalization	3			
	HIST 250	History of the Middle East	3			
	HIST 254	History of Africa	3			
	HIST 257	History of East Asia	3			
	HIST 260	History of Latin America	3			
	POLS 360	American Foreign Policy	3			
	<i>One of the following capstone courses:</i>		3			
	POLS 485	Studies in Political Theory	3			
	POLS 486	Studies in American Politics	3			
	POLS 487	Studies in International Relations	3			
	POLS 488	Studies in Comparative Politics	3			
<b>Required Minor Courses</b>						
	Minimum of 18 credits		18			
<b>Other graduation requirements</b>			6			
<b>Graduation Requirements beyond AA/AS degree</b>			60			
<b>Associate of Arts/Science Degree</b>			60			
<b>TOTAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS</b>			120			

## Section II: Transfer of Credit

- A. Grade Eligibility. Only academic courses with a letter grade of "C-" or better are transferable. Western will accept and count toward meeting graduation requirements all state guaranteed general education courses that have a grade of C- or better.
- B. Western accepts scores of 4 and above on advanced placement tests and scores of 4 and above earned on international baccalaureate tests.

- C. Western will accept all approved credits earned within ten years of transfer. Courses earned more than ten years earlier may be evaluated on an individual basis.
- D. Western may apply a state guaranteed general education course toward the major or other graduation requirements if that facilitates the student's graduation more effectively.

### **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 institution. A student may file an appeal that pertains to state guaranteed general education courses directly to CCHE.
- B. State Appeal. For information on the student appeal process, refer to Student Appeal Policy at [www.state.co.us/cche/policy/q&aappeals](http://www.state.co.us/cche/policy/q&aappeals) or [www.state.co.us/cche/policy/l-partt.pdf](http://www.state.co.us/cche/policy/l-partt.pdf).

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