



Transfer Program Guide
John Wood Community College (JWCC)
Associate of Arts (AA) to
Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Political Science

Completion of the AA degree at JWCC fulfills the Disciplinary Perspectives requirements (Social, Communication, STEM, Humanities and Aesthetic) in The Dialogues (Truman State University’s undergraduate core curriculum). Students transferring with an AA are required to complete INDV 3XX The Truman Symposium, INDV 3XX Transfer Seminar, two Writing-Enhanced (WE) courses, a 3-credit JINS course, the Missouri Statute requirement, and to demonstrate elementary proficiency in one foreign language, in addition to the remaining major requirements, required support, and the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science requirement.

In addition to completing the required courses for the AA degree at JWCC, students intending to transfer to Truman State University are advised to take the courses below as part of their degree program at JWCC.

Recommended Courses for Transfer

| JWCC Course | Truman Equivalent | |
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| MAT 109 Elementary Statistics | STAT 190 Basic Statistics | 3 |
| PSC 101 American Government | POL 161 American National Government | 3 |
| PSC 131 State and Local Government | POL 262 State and Local Government | 3 |

Note on Foreign Language:

All students at Truman State University are required to demonstrate elementary proficiency in one foreign language, which requires up to two semesters to complete. Students pursuing a BA degree are required to demonstrate intermediate proficiency in one foreign language, which requires up to four semesters to complete. All transfer students are recommended to begin their language study as early as possible, to ensure a smooth path to graduation.

| Sample Degree Plan | | | |
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| First Semester at JWCC | | Second Semester at JWCC | |
| FYE 101 Blazing Your Trail* | 1 | | |
| ENG 101 Rhetoric and Composition I* | 3 | ENG 102 Rhetoric and Composition II* | 3 |
| MAT 109 Elementary Statistics [§] | 3 | Physical or Life Science w/Lab | 4 |
| PSC 101 American Government [§] | 3 | PSC 131 State and Local Government | 3 |
| Humanities Course | 3 | CMN 101 Intro to Speech* | 3 |
| Elective Course | 3 | Elective Course | 3 |
| Total | 16 | Total | 16 |
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| Third Semester at JWCC | | Fourth Semester at JWCC | |
| Elementary Foreign Language [§] | 4 | Elementary Foreign Language [§] | 4 |
| Physical or Life Science | 3 | Social/Behavioral Science | 3 |
| Elective Course | 3 | Elective Course | 3 |
| Elective Course | 3 | Elective Course | 3 |
| Elective Course | 3 | Elective Course | 3 |
| Total | 16 | Total | 16 |
| Total Credits for AA Degree | | | 64 |
| * Course is required for A.A. | | | |
| § Course fulfills a requirement for B.A. in Political Science | | | |

| Sample Degree Plan | | | |
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| First Semester at Truman | | Second Semester at Truman | |
| Intermediate Foreign Language | 3 | POL 300 | 3 |
| INDV 3xx Transfer Experience | 2 | Intermediate Foreign Language | 3 |
| POL 250 | 3 | JINS 3xx Junior Interdisciplinary Seminar | 3 |
| Required Support Course | 3 | Required Support Course | 3 |
| POL 101 OR HIST 298 (Missouri Statute Course) | 1 | Required Support Course | 3 |
| Total | 12 | Total | 15 |
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| Third Semester at Truman | | Fourth Semester at Truman | |
| POL 315 | 3 | POL 345 | 3 |
| POL 468 | 3 | POL 460 Senior Seminar | 3 |
| Required Support Course | 3 | Required Support Course | 3 |
| Elective | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| Elective | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| Total | 15 | Total | 15 |
| Total Credits for B.A. in Political Science Degree Completion | | | 120 |
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Notes

The above document is an example plan and is not a substitute for academic advising. Writing and Math placement may impact a student's degree plan. All prospective transfer students are encouraged to both seek advising at their home institution and to contact the Truman State University Transfer Programs Coordinator when questions arise.

Completion of the above plan will put a transfer student on pace to complete the B.A. in Political Science at Truman State University in two years, assuming satisfactory academic progress. A student transferring without all of the above courses may require more time to complete the degree.

Other Program Requirements:

In order to graduate with a Bachelor's degree, all students at Truman State University are required to satisfy the following:

- A 2.0 minimum cumulative GPA (unless a higher requirement is specified), a 2.0 minimum GPA in all coursework completed at Truman, and a 2.0 major GPA
- 120 total credits
- 40 credits of upper-level courses (courses numbered 300+)
- 45 credits must be completed in residence, 28 of which must immediately precede completion of requirements for the degree, 15 of which must be major requirements
- The Truman Week requirement is waived for all transfer students.
- Completion of The Dialogues, Truman's undergraduate general education curriculum. Dialogues requirements can be found in the Truman State University catalog.

A detailed explanation of the above graduation requirements for a Bachelor's degree can be found in the Truman State University catalog.