



# SOCIAL SCIENCES

## Curriculum Guide for Academic Year 2016-2017

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Students planning to **transfer** to a four-year college or university should refer to the ASSIST web site at [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) and **consult a counselor** before beginning a program of study. Please call 562-938-4561 for the LAC, or 562-938-3920 for PCC to schedule a meeting with a counselor. Students may also wish to visit the Transfer Center on either campus.

### Program of study leading to: Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree

#### REQUIRED COURSES

Complete **NINE (9) units** of **HISTORY (HIST)**, **POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLSC)**, **HUMANITIES (HUMAN)**, and **SOCIAL SCIENCE (SOCSC)** courses numbered 1-99, with at least **ONE** course in **HISTORY** and **ONE** course in **POLITICAL SCIENCE**.

	Course #	Course Name	Units	In Progress	Completed Grade
HIST					
POLSC					
°HUMAN					
°SOCSC					
<b>Subtotal Units</b>			<b>9</b>		

**IN ADDITION, complete NINE (9) units** in courses numbered 1-99 from the following subject areas, with at least **SIX (6) units** in **ONE** of the subject areas:

	Course #	Course Name	Units	In Progress	Completed Grade
ANTHR					
ECON					
GEOG					
PHIL					
PSYCH					
SOCIO					
<b>Subtotal Units</b>			<b>9</b>		
<b>TOTAL UNITS</b>			<b>18</b>		

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For graduation with an **Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree with a major in Social Sciences:**

- Minimum Unit Requirements:** §Any course that appears on a curriculum guide and the General Education Pattern (Plan A) may fulfill both major and general education requirements (Approved by College Curriculum Committee Spring 2012). For this degree, complete a minimum of 60 units in courses numbered 1-599. Please note that additional elective units may be required to meet this minimum based upon courses selected to fulfill General Education for the Associate Degree.

**Social Sciences Major:** 18 units  
**General Education/A.A.:** 25 units

- Scholarship:** Maintain an **overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0** ("C" average) based on all accredited college work applied to the degree, no matter where completed. For this **field of concentration, complete each course above with a grade of "C" or better**, or "P" if course is graded on a P/NP basis.
- Residence for the Degree:** Complete at least 12 semester units of the required 60 semester units in residence at Long Beach City College in order for the college to grant an Associate of Arts and/or an Associate of Science Degree.
- Residence for the Field of Concentration:** Complete fifty percent (50%) or more of the unit requirements for this field of concentration in residence; this means at **least 9 units** of the required 18 must be **completed at Long Beach City College**. Credit earned by exam, where applicable, may be included.
- General Education and Proficiency Requirements:** Complete the required A.A./A.S. General Education and Proficiency requirements\*, otherwise known as "Plan A". For Plan A requirements, refer to the general catalog or view it online at <http://osca.lbcc.edu>.
- Complete and submit the degree application form to the Admissions and Records office during your final semester of course work. These forms are available in the Admissions and Records office, or online at <http://admissions.lbcc.edu/>. Refer to the Schedule of Classes (<http://schedule.lbcc.edu>) and click the "Important Dates" link to view the actual deadline for each semester.

\*The requirements for general education/proficiency and the field of concentration (major) need to be from the same catalog year. This catalog year may be any year between the year of initial enrollment to the present, provided continuous enrollment is maintained throughout. See the catalog for definition of "continuous enrollment".

**Program of study leading to:  
Certificates of Accomplishment**

**Certificate: Political Science - General 4820**

<u>REQUIRED COURSES</u>		UNITS	In Progress	Completed Grade
POLSC 1 OR 1H	Introduction to Government/Honors	3		
POLSC 3	Issues of American Government	3		
POLSC 9	The Constitution, Law and Society	3		
POLSC 10	Introduction to Political Science	3		
POLSC 11	Introduction to Political Theory	3		
<b>TOTAL UNITS</b>		<b>15</b>		

**Certificate: Political Science - Global 4821**

<u>REQUIRED COURSES</u>		UNITS	In Progress	Completed Grade
POLSC 1 OR 1H	Introduction to Government/Honors	3		
POLSC 2	Comparative Government	3		
POLSC 3	Issues of American Government	3		
POLSC 4	World Politics	3		
POLSC 9	The Constitution, Law and Society	3		
<b>TOTAL UNITS</b>		<b>15</b>		

## Career Opportunities

This field of concentration provides the student with a general education in the principles, concepts, and methodologies of various disciplines (Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Philosophy, Psychology and Sociology). In addition, courses in these areas may partially satisfy general education and major requirements for a baccalaureate degree.

This Associate Degree will prepare students for career advancement and will also facilitate transfer in a related major.

## Program Mission and Outcomes

The program mission is to create an environment of educational inquisitiveness and critical assessment. To foster a socially and culturally aware, well-rounded student by improving program quality and improved student learning in the area of the Social Sciences.

Outcomes:

- Students will apply theories from the disciplines in the Social Science Program to analyze and explain human behavior as individuals and/or in groups.
- Students will be able to distinguish between fact and opinion, identify credible evidence, and analyze arguments.
- Students will apply perspectives and frameworks from the disciplines in the Social Science Program to explain and solve challenges related to accommodating and appreciating human diversity.

## Legend

\*HUMAN/SOCSC 1/1H and HUMAN/SOCSC 7 are cross-listed courses. A cross-listed course is interdisciplinary and is the same course as its cross-listed counterparts.