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# OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Courses are sequenced to provide guidance and to help ensure that prerequisite requirements are met.

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## OTC Associate of Arts in General Studies to MSU Bachelor of Science in Political Science



The following is a guide to graduation with completion of OTC's Associate of Arts in General Studies and MSU's Bachelor of Science in Political Science degree.  
The B.S. in Political Science may be completed on campus only.  
*This is a non-comprehensive major meaning it requires a minor or second major.*

### OTC Year 1 Semester 1

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	OTC COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	MSU EQUIVALENT	MEETS CORE 42	MSU MAJOR REQUIREMENT
<b>Institutional Requirement</b>	OTC 101	Navigating College	2	GEP 101		
<b>Written Communications</b> <i>6 credit hours</i>	<b>Choose one:</b> ENG 100 ENG 101	Composition I with Support Composition I	3-5	ENG 110	✓	
<b>Mathematical Sciences</b> <i>3 credit hours</i>	<b>Choose one:</b> MTH 128    MTH 130    MTH 131    MTH 140    MTH 210    MTH 215    MTH 240 MTH 128S   MTH 130S   MTH 138    MTH 141    MTH 214    MTH 230    MTH 241		3-5	Varies	✓	
<b>Social/Behavioral Sciences</b> <i>9 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	<b>Choose one:</b> ANT 101    COM 150    ECO 270    GRY 101    HST 106    HST 130    PLS 201    PSY 130    SOC 210 ANT 220    CRM 210    ECO 275    HST 105    HST 120    PLS 101    PSY 110    SOC 101		3	Varies	✓	
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts</b> <i>9 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	<b>Choose one:</b> ART 100    ASL 101    ENG 240    ENG 270    GRM 101    MUS 105    PHL 101    REL 102 ART 101    ASL 102    ENG 241    ENG 271    GRM 102    MUS 106    PHL 105    SPN 101 ART 105    CHN 101    ENG 260    FRN 101    HUM 101    MUS 110    REL 100    SPN 102 ART 120▲    ENG 180    ENG 265    FRN 102    MUS 101    MUS 235*▲    REL 101    THR 101		3	Varies	✓	
<b>Semester 1 Total</b>			<b>14-18</b>			

### OTC Year 1 Semester 2

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	OTC COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	MSU EQUIVALENT	MEETS CORE 42	MSU MAJOR REQUIREMENT
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts</b> <i>9 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	<b>Choose one:</b> ART 100    ASL 101    ENG 240    ENG 270    GRM 101    MUS 105    PHL 101    REL 102 ART 101    ASL 102    ENG 241    ENG 271    GRM 102    MUS 106    PHL 105    SPN 101 ART 105    CHN 101    ENG 260    FRN 101    HUM 101    MUS 110    REL 100    SPN 102 ART 120▲    ENG 180    ENG 265    FRN 102    MUS 101    MUS 235*▲    REL 101    THR 101		3	Varies	✓	
<b>Institutional Elective</b> <i>18 hours required for A.A. degree</i>	<a href="#">Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement at MSU.</a>		3	Varies		
<b>Social/Behavioral Sciences</b> <i>9 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	PLS 101	American Government and Politics	3	PLS 101	✓	✓
<b>Oral Communications</b> <i>3 credit hours</i>	<b>Choose one:</b> COM 100	COM 105	COM 200	3	Varies	✓
<b>Natural Sciences</b> <i>7 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines including one course with a lab component)	<b>Choose one:</b> BCS 115    BCS 165    BIO 100    BIO 135    BIO 160    CHM 160    PHY 110    PHY 120 BCS 132    BCS 210    BIO 105    BIO 142    BIO 161    CHM 105    PHY 115    PHY 220		3-5	Varies	✓	
<b>Semester 2 Total</b>			<b>15-17</b>			

### OTC Year 2 Semester 3

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	OTC COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	MSU EQUIVALENT	MEETS CORE 42	MSU MAJOR REQUIREMENT
<b>Written Communications</b> <i>6 credit hours</i>	<b>Choose one:</b> ENG 102 ENG 150	Composition II Technical Writing	3	ENG 210 ENG 221	✓	
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts</b> <i>9 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	<b>Choose one:</b> ART 100    ASL 101    ENG 240    ENG 270    GRM 101    MUS 105    PHL 101    REL 102 ART 101    ASL 102    ENG 241    ENG 271    GRM 102    MUS 106    PHL 105    SPN 101 ART 105    CHN 101    ENG 260    FRN 101    HUM 101    MUS 110    REL 100    SPN 102 ART 120▲    ENG 180    ENG 265    FRN 102    MUS 101    MUS 235*▲    REL 101    THR 101		3	Varies	✓	
<b>Natural Sciences - Lab Requirement</b> <i>7 credit hours</i>	<b>Choose one:</b> BSC 115    BIO 100    BIO 160    CHM 160 □    PHY 110    PHY 120 BSC 165    BIO 105    CHM 101    PHY 105    PHY 115    PHY 220		4-5	Varies	✓	
<b>Institutional Elective</b> <i>18 hours required for A.A. degree</i>	<a href="#">Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement at MSU.</a>		3	Varies		
<b>Social/Behavioral Sciences</b> <i>9 credit hours</i> (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	PLS 201	International Relations	3	PLS 232	✓	✓
<b>Semester 3 Total</b>			<b>16-17</b>			

### OTC Year 2 Semester 4

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	OTC COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	MSU EQUIVALENT	MEETS CORE 42	MSU MAJOR REQUIREMENT
<b>Institutional Elective</b> <i>18 hours required for A.A. degree</i>	PLS 250	The Politics of the Environment	3	PLS 555		✓
<b>Institutional Elective</b> <i>18 hours required for A.A. degree</i>	<a href="#">Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement at MSU.</a>		3	Varies		
<b>Institutional Elective</b> <i>18 hours required for A.A. degree</i>	PLS 103	Introduction to American Public Policy	3	PLS 102		✓
<b>Institutional Elective</b> <i>18 hours required for A.A. degree</i>	CRM 260	Criminal Law and the Courts	3	CRM 260		✓
<b>Core Elective</b> <i>5 hours required for Core 42</i>	Choose MOTR coded course(s) of your choice with the assistance of an advisor.		5	Varies	✓	
<b>Semester 4 Total</b>			<b>17</b>			
<b>Total Hours at OTC</b>			<b>62-69</b>	<i>Total Hours Applied Toward MSU Major Requirements:</i>		15

\* One credit hour course

▲ May choose only one, falls under MOTR code 'PERF'

□ Must be taken with CHM 161 to count as a lab course. In order to fulfil the Core 42 Natural Science requirement, students must complete at least one lab course.

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**MSU Year 3 Semester 1**

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	MSU COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS					
Major Requirement	PLS 255	Public Administration	3					
Minor Requirement	<b>Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement.</b>		3					
Major Requirement	<b>Choose one:</b> PLS 316	PLS 317	PLS 413	PLS 414	3			
Major Elective <i>(Complete 15 hours of electives from at least three subfields)</i>	<b>Choose one: ▲</b>				3			
	American Government and Politics:	International Politics:	Comparative Governments and Politics:	Public Administration:		Political Theory:	Public Law:	
	PLS 316 PLS 317	PLS 413 PLS 414	PLS 301 PLS 333 PLS 437	PLS 439 PLS 535 PLS 547	PLS 319 PLS 338 PLS 343 PLS 443 PLS 544	PLS 315 PLS 351 PLS 355 PLS 498 PLS 573	PLS 561 PLS 563 PLS 565 PLS 567	PLS 419 PLS 515 PLS 517 PLS 520
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.			3				
<b>Semester 1 Total</b>				<b>15</b>				

**MSU Year 3 Semester 2**

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	MSU COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS			
Major Requirement	<b>Choose one:</b> PLS 330 PHI 330	Introduction to Political Theory	3			
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.			3		
Major Elective <i>(Complete 15 hours of electives from at least three subfields)</i>	<b>Choose one: ▲</b>				3	
	American Government and Politics:	International Politics:	Comparative Governments and Politics:	Political Theory:		
	PLS 316 PLS 317	PLS 301 PLS 333 PLS 437	PLS 439 PLS 535 PLS 547	PLS 319 PLS 338 PLS 343 PLS 443 PLS 544	PLS 545 PLS 546 PLS 548 PLS 550	PLS 561 PLS 563 PLS 565 PLS 567
Major Requirement	PLS 205	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3			
Major Requirement	<b>Choose one:</b> PLS 515 PLS 517 PLS 520	Constitutional Law I: Powers and Constraints Constitutional Law II: Liberties and Rights The U.S. Constitution and Equality	3			
<b>Semester 2 Total</b>				<b>15</b>		

**MSU Year 4 Semester 3**

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	MSU COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS			
Major Requirement	PLS 576	Quantitative Methods	3			
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.			3		
Major Elective <i>(Complete 15 hours of electives from at least three subfields)</i>	<b>Choose one: ▲</b>				3	
	American Government and Politics:	International Politics:	Comparative Governments and Politics:	Political Theory:		
	PLS 316 PLS 317	PLS 301 PLS 333 PLS 437	PLS 439 PLS 535 PLS 547	PLS 319 PLS 338 PLS 343 PLS 443 PLS 544	PLS 545 PLS 546 PLS 548 PLS 550	PLS 561 PLS 563 PLS 565 PLS 567
Minor Requirement	<b>Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement.</b>			3		
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.			3		
<b>Semester 3 Total</b>				<b>15</b>		

**MSU Year 4 Semester 4**

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	MSU COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.			3
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General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.			4
Minor Requirement	<b>Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement.</b>			3
Major Requirement	PLS 492	Program Assessment	0	
<b>Semester 4 Total</b>				<b>13</b>
<b>Total Hours at MSU</b>				<b>58</b>
<b>Total Hours Overall</b>				<b>120-127</b>

\*\* Electives provide the opportunity to customize your degree program. Some elective credits may or may not be needed to bring total credit hours to a minimum of 120 credit hours and upper division hours (300+) to 40.

▲ These courses cannot count toward both the 24 hour core requirement and the Capstone requirement.

This degree is also available as a Bachelor of Arts (BA).  
[Click here to access the Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements](#)  
**Please consult an MSU transfer advisor to determine your best degree options.**

**This information is provided as a guide only.**

- OTC students are strongly encouraged to meet with their major specific MSU transfer advisor early in their OTC education to discuss the most appropriate OTC coursework for their intended MSU major, MSU degree requirements, etc.
- Students are required to fulfill MSU graduation and GPA requirements to receive a degree and should consult with their MSU advisor and the MSU undergraduate catalog for details, as there may exist pre-requisite requirements as well as periodicity limitations that could affect scheduling sequences.
- Please note that transfer students from Missouri public colleges and universities may follow the general education and general baccalaureate degree requirements in effect at Missouri State when they first enrolled (or re-enrolled after an absence of one calendar year or more) as degree-seeking students at the institutions from which they transferred (e.g., OTC).