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OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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OTC Associate of Arts to MSU Bachelor of Science in Political Science (Non-Comprehensive)

The following is a guide to graduation with completion of OTC's Associate of Arts and MSU's Bachelor of Science in Political Science degree.
The B.S. in Political Science may be completed on campus only.

The Political Science degree 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
Institutional Requirement	OTC 101	Navigating College	2	GEP 101		
Written Communications 6 credit hours	Choose one:		3-5	ENG 110	✓	
	ENG 100 ENG 101	Composition I with Support Composition I				
Mathematical Sciences 3 credit hours	Choose one:		3-5	Varies	✓	
	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					
<i>or any MTH course with a Core 42 approved prerequisite</i>						
Social/Behavioral Sciences 9 credit hours (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	Choose one:		3	Varies	✓	
	ANT 101 COM 150 ECO 270 GRY 101 HST 106 HST 130 PLS 201 PSY 130 ANT 220 CRM 210 ECO 275 HST 105 HST 120 PLS 101 PSY 110 SOC 101					
Humanities and Fine Arts 9 credit hours (Must fulfill 2 disciplines)	Choose one:		3	Varies	✓	
	ART 100 ASL 101 ENG 240 ENG 270 GRM 101 MUS 106 PHL 105 SPN 101 ART 101 ASL 102 ENG 241 ENG 271 GRM 102 MUS 110 REL 100 SPN 102 ART 105 CHN 101 ENG 260 FRN 101 MUS 101 MUS 235*▲ REL 101 THR 101 ART 120▲ ENG 180 ENG 265 FRN 102 MUS 105 PHL 101 REL 102					
Semester 1 Total			14-18			

OTC Year 1 Semester 2

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

OTC Year 2 Semester 3

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

OTC Year 2 Semester 4

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	OTC COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	MSU EQUIVALENT	MEETS CORE 42	MSU MAJOR REQUIREMENT
Institutional Elective 18 hours required for A.A. degree	PLS 250	The Politics of the Environment	3	PLS 555		✓
Institutional Elective 18 hours required for A.A. degree	Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement at MSU.		3	Varies		
Institutional Elective 18 hours required for A.A. degree	PLS 103	Introduction to American Public Policy	3	PLS 102		✓
Institutional Elective 18 hours required for A.A. degree	CRM 260	Criminal Law and the Courts	3	CRM 260		✓
Core Elective 5 hours required for Core 42	Choose one:		5	Varies	✓	
	Choose MOTR coded course(s) of your choice with the assistance of an advisor.					
Semester 4 Total			17	<i>Total Hours Applied Toward MSU Major Requirements:</i>		21
Total Hours at OTC			62-66			

* 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 fulfill 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	<u>Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement.</u>		3
Major Requirement	Choose one: PLS 316 PLS 317 PLS 413 PLS 414		3
Major Elective <i>(Complete 15 hours of electives from at least three subfields)</i>	Choose one: ▲ American Government and Politics: International Politics: Comparative Governments and Politics: Public Administration: Political Theory: Public Law:		
	PLS 316 PLS 413 PLS 317 PLS 414 PLS 319	PLS 301 PLS 439 PLS 333 PLS 535 PLS 437 PLS 547	PLS 319 PLS 338 PLS 343 PLS 343 PLS 443 PLS 544
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.		3
Semester 1 Total			15

MSU Year 3 Semester 2

REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION	MSU COURSE ID	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
Major Requirement	Choose one: 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>	Choose one: ▲ American Government and Politics: International Politics: Comparative Governments and Politics: Political Theory:		
	PLS 316 PLS 317 PLS 319	PLS 301 PLS 439 PLS 333 PLS 535 PLS 437 PLS 547	PLS 319 PLS 545 PLS 338 PLS 546 PLS 343 PLS 548 PLS 443 PLS 550 PLS 544
Major Requirement	PLS 205	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
Major Requirement	Choose one: PLS 515 Constitutional Law I: Powers and Constraints PLS 517 Constitutional Law II: Liberties and Rights PLS 520 The U.S. Constitution and Equality		3
Semester 2 Total			15

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>	Choose one: ▲ American Government and Politics: International Politics: Comparative Governments and Politics: Political Theory:		
	PLS 316 PLS 317 PLS 319	PLS 301 PLS 439 PLS 333 PLS 535 PLS 437 PLS 547	PLS 319 PLS 545 PLS 338 PLS 546 PLS 343 PLS 548 PLS 443 PLS 550 PLS 544
Minor Requirement	<u>Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement.</u>		3
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.		3
Semester 3 Total			15

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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Major Requirement	PLS 492	Program Assessment	0
General Elective **	Work with your MSU advisor to identify courses that will complement your specific career goals.		1
Minor Requirement	<u>Choose one course that will fulfill chosen minor requirement.</u>		3
Semester 4 Total			13
Total Hours at MSU			58
Total Hours Overall			120-124

** 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).