

# Social Science & Education

## Volunteer State

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### Political Science

Political Science has been variously described as “the empirical analysis of politics”, the study of the “allocation of resources in society”, or “who gets what, when, why and how.” Politics, on the other hand, is “not science but art”, the “art of the possible” or “that set of human problems for which there are two right answers.” At VSCC we bridge the gap between science and politics with critical thinking about ideas, interest groups, institutions, public policy, philosophy, constitutions, theory, pragmatism and revolutions, as well as elections, campaigns, voting, the media and other aspects of domestic and international politics.

Requirement	Course Options*	Credits
<b>General Education Courses</b>		
<u>Course</u>	<u>Curriculum Area or Course Title</u>	<u>Credit</u>
COM 100 or 103	Communication	3
ENGL 1010, 1020	English Composition I, II	6
HIST	History (1110&1120 or any 2 of 2010,2020 or 2030)	6
	Humanities and/or Fine Arts (Must include at least 1 Lit)	9
MATH 1010	Math for Liberal Arts (or higher level)	3
	Natural Sciences	8
HED 120	Social/Behavioral Sciences (HED 120 + One Course)	6
		41
<b>Recommended Area of Emphasis Courses</b>		
POL 110	Intro to Political Science	3
POL 200	American Government and Politics	3
POL 210	State and Local Government in the U.S.	3
HIST 1110 & 1120	World Civilization: Primitive to 1650 or World Civilization: 1650 to Present	6
<b>OR</b>		
HIST 2010, 2020 Or 2030	Any two of Survey of American History or TN History	6
HIST 220	African-American History	3
POL 104T	Current Issues (Elective)	1
		19
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>

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