



## General Studies AS Degree/Political Science (AIG3)- 62 Credit Hours

**Program Description:**

The Associate of Science Degree in General Studies provides an opportunity for students to earn specific occupational and general education credits in math, humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences that can transfer toward a four-year degree. The degree requires completion of 62 semester credit hours (41 hours of general education requirements and a minimum of 21 hours of specific occupational courses). The **Political Science** specialization focuses on the history, development, and operation of political systems. Courses examine public policy, current political issues, and how cultural and economic factors intersect with local, state, and federal government. This specialization will be offered primarily online.

Graduates are prepared to enter four-year programs in political science or may pursue careers in legal services, state and local government, journalism or education upon the completion of a bachelor's degree.

**Articulation Agreements:** <https://www.westgatech.edu/admissions/registrar-office/articulation-agreements/>

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**Website:**

<https://www.westgatech.edu/program-explorer/transfer-programs/general-studies/#politicalscience>

**Campus:**

Courses may rotate Online, Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, LaGrange, and Murphy campus

<b>Set the Track, Start the Track, Stay on Track</b>					
<i>Meet with an Advising Coach to Stay on Track. S = Semester; CR = Credit Hours; FA = Fall; SP = Spring; SU = Summer</i>					
✓	Grade	Semester 1	S	CR	Notes & Milestones
		ENGL 1101 Composition and Rhetoric	ALL	3	Program Admission
		POLS 1101 American Government	ALL	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose One Math Course:</b>					
		MATH 1111 College Algebra	ALL	3	Program Admission
		MATH 1103 Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	FA, SP	3	
<b>Start Science Sequence Choose One:</b>			<b>(Lecture and Lab must be taken in the same semester)</b>		
		BIOL 1111 Biology I	ALL	3	Corequisite BIOL 1111
		BIOL 1111L Biology I Lab	ALL	1	
		<b>-OR-</b>			
		CHEM 1151 Survey of Inorganic Chemistry	ALL	3	Prerequisite MATH 1101, MATH 1103 or MATH 1111 Corequisite CHEM 1151
		CHEM 1151L Lab	ALL	1	
		<b>-OR-</b>			
		PHYS 1111 Introductory Physics I	FA	3	Prerequisite ENGL 1101, MATH 1112 or MATH 1113 Corequisite PHYS 1111
		PHYS 1111L Lab	FA	1	
				<b>13</b>	<b>Program Semester Hours</b>

✓	Grade	Semester 2	S	CR	Notes & Milestones Prerequisite must be passed with a "C" or higher
		ENGL 1102 Literature and Composition	ALL	3	Prerequisite ENGL 1101
		PSYC 1101 Introductory Psychology	ALL	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose One Math Course:</b>					
		MATH 1127 Introduction to Statistics	ALL	3	Prerequisite MATH 1113
		MATH 1131 Calculus I	FA, SP	4	
<b>Finish Science Sequence: (Lecture and Lab must be taken in the same semester)</b>					
		BIOL 1112 Biology II	FA, SP	3	Prerequisite BIOL 1111 and 1111L
		BIOL 1112L Biology II Lab	FA, SP	1	Corequisite BIOL 1112
		<b>-OR-</b>			
		CHEM 1152 Survey of Inorganic Chemistry	SP	3	Prerequisite CHEM 1151 and 1151L
		CHEM 1152L Lab	SP	1	Corequisite CHEM 1152
		<b>-OR-</b>			
		PHYS 1112 Introductory Physics II	SP	3	Prerequisite PHYS 1111 and 1111L
		PHYS 1112L Lab	SP	1	Corequisite PHYS 1112
				<b>13</b>	<b>Program Semester Hours</b>
✓	Grade	Semester 3	S	CR	Notes & Milestones Prerequisite must be passed with a "C" or higher
		SOCI 1101 Introductory to Sociology	ALL	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose One History Course:</b>					
		HIST 2111 US History I (to 1877)	ALL	3	Program Admission
		HIST 2112 US History II (since 1865)	ALL	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose Two Electives:</b>					
		*HIST 2111 U.S History I (to 1877)	ALL	3	*May be used if not used in AREAS I-IV*
		*HIST 2112 U.S History II (since 1865)	ALL	3	*May be used if not used in AREAS I-IV*
		MGMT 1105 Organizational Behavior	ALL	3	
		MGMT 1115 Leadership	ALL	3	
				<b>12</b>	<b>Program Semester Hours</b>
✓	Grade	Semester 4	S	CR	Notes and Milestones Prerequisite must be passed with a "C" or higher
<b>Choose Three Electives:</b>					
		CRJU 2050 Criminal Procedure	FA, SP	3	Program Admission
		CRJU 2060 Criminology	ALL	3	Program Admission
		CRJU 2070 Juvenile Justice	ALL	3	Program Admission
		ECON 1101 Principles of Economics	ALL	3	Program Admission
		ECON 2105 Principles of Macroeconomics	ALL	3	Program Admission
		ECON 2106 Principles of Microeconomics	FA, SP	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose One Area IV Appreciation Course:</b>					
		ARTS 1101 Art Appreciation	ALL	3	Program Admission
		<b>-OR-</b>			
		MUSC 1101 Music Appreciation	ALL	3	Program Admission
		<b>-OR-</b>			
		THEA 1101 Theater Appreciation	ALL	3	Program Admission
				<b>12</b>	<b>Program Semester Hours</b>

✓	Grade	Semester 5	S	CR	Notes and Milestones Prerequisite must be passed with a "C" or higher
		POLS 2401 Global Issues	FA, SP	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose One Area IV Course:</b>					
		HUMN 1101 Introduction to Humanities	ALL	3	Prerequisite ENGL 1101
		ENGL 2130 American Literature	ALL	3	Prerequisite ENGL 1101
<b>Choose One History Course:</b>					
		HIST 1111 World History I (to 1500)	ALL	3	Program Admission
		HIST 1112 World History II (since 1500)	ALL	3	Program Admission
<b>Choose One Area I Course:</b>					
		SPCH 1101 Public Speaking	ALL	3	Program Admission
		-OR-			
		SPAN 1101 Introduction to Spanish Language and Culture I	ALL	3	Appropriate Accuplacer Test Scores
		-OR-			
		SPAN 1102 Introduction to Spanish Language and Culture II	ALL	3	Prerequisite SPAN 1101
				<b>12</b>	<b>Program Semester Hours</b>
Always check online <a href="https://www.westgatech.edu/">https://www.westgatech.edu/</a> and meet with your Advising or Faculty Coach to ensure you are viewing the latest and most accurate information.					

**Employment Opportunities:** <https://www.westgatech.edu/student-life/career-services/>

**Financial Aid by Program:** <https://www.westgatech.edu/financial-aid/types-of-aid/>

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