



**Transfer Guide for  
KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
Bachelor of Science Degree  
POLITICAL SCIENCE EDUCATION**

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS**

Admission to political science education requires a minimum 2.00 college grade point average and can be entered any semester. If a student has completed college intermediate algebra and the first two semesters of college English, successfully completing the State Basic Skills Test before entering the program would be advisable [www.mttc.nesinc.com](http://www.mttc.nesinc.com)

For assistance with the admission process, contact your transfer counselor at the community college or the transfer admissions officer at Ferris State University, Shari Chamberlain, at 1-800-4-FERRIS, [chambers@ferris.edu](mailto:chambers@ferris.edu).

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Transfer students must be admitted (apply & be accepted) 21 days prior to the first day of the semester they plan to attend.

**TRANSFER PLAN**

Transfer of credit is awarded on a course-by-course basis. Transferable courses are those with grades of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or better. The following is a list of courses students must complete for the political science major. However, secondary education requires a minor as well (an additional 20-27 credits). Please contact the educational counselor for assistance with minor choices. Community college equivalents are listed below and may be taken prior to transferring to Ferris. Blank spaces in the community college column indicate there are no course equivalents available.

**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY/KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**TRANSFER PLAN**  
**POLITICAL SCIENCE GENERAL EDUCATION**  
**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE - SECONDARY**

REQUIRED		COMMUNICATION COMPETENCE- 12 CREDIT HOURS	KVCC	FSU S.H.	GRADE
ENGL	150	English 1	ENG 110	3	
ENGL	250	English 1	ENG 111 OR 160	3	
COMM		Interpersonal Comm (COMM 105), Foundations of Public Speaking (COMM 121), Foundations of Interpersonal Comm. (COMM 221).	COM 101 OR 113 OR ENG 108 OR 213	3	
ENGL	321	Advanced Composition		3	
<b>SCIENTIFIC UNDERSTANDING - 7-8 Credit Hours Required:</b> Two courses from the following subject areas (one must be a lab course) ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, GEOG 111, GEOG 121, GEOL, PHSC, PHYS.					
		Science with a lab		4	
		Science		3	
<b>QUANTITATIVE SKILLS - Proficiency in MATH 115 or higher. This requirement can be completed by ONE of the following options:</b> 1. Pass MATH 115 or higher. 2. Pass course proficiency exam in MATH 115 or higher. 2. ACT Math subtest score of 24 or higher.					
			MATH 116		
<b>CULTURAL ENRICHMENT - 9 Credit Hours Required:</b> Three courses from the following subject areas: ARCH 244, ARTS, COMM 231, ENGL 322, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUMN (exclude HUMN 217), LITR, MUSI, SPAN, THTR. These courses must include: 1. At least one course at the <b>200</b> level or higher. 2. No more than 5 credit hours in music activities courses or theater activities courses may be used to complete this requirement.					
HIST	121	US History to 1877	HRY 102	3	
HIST	122	US History 1877 to Present	HRY 103	3	
		<a href="http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/academics/gened/cultcourses.html">http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/academics/gened/cultcourses.html</a> <a href="http://www.ferris.edu/admissions/Transfer/WebPages/homepage1.cfm?INST_CODE=001378">http://www.ferris.edu/admissions/Transfer/WebPages/homepage1.cfm?INST_CODE=001378</a>			
<b>SOCIAL AWARENESS – 9 Credit Hour Required:</b> One Course at <b>200</b> Level or higher. No more than two courses with same prefix.					
ECON	221	Principles of Macroeconomics 201	ECO 201	3	
GEOG	201	Geography of US and Canada		3	
GEOG	100	Geography of World Regions	GEO 102	3	
<b>GLOBAL CONSCIOUSNESS:</b> Each student must complete one course from the Global Consciousness group. Respectively Global Consciousness courses deal specifically with contemporary cultures, languages, and societies outside North America. History teaching students must take the course listed below:					
GEOG	100	Geography of World Regions	GEO 102	3	
<b>RACE, ETHNICITY AND GENDER-</b> Choose one.					
		<a href="http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/academics/gened/regcourses.html">http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/academics/gened/regcourses.html</a> <a href="http://www.ferris.edu/admissions/Transfer/WebPages/homepage1.cfm?INST_CODE=001378">http://www.ferris.edu/admissions/Transfer/WebPages/homepage1.cfm?INST_CODE=001378</a>			

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**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY/KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
TRANSFER PLAN  
POLITICAL SCIENCE TEACHING MAJOR FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION  
33 Semester Hours**

REQUIRED		COURSE TITLE	KVCC	FSU S.H.	GRADE
		Pre- or co-requisites: ECON 221, HIST 121, 122, GEOG 100, 201		3	
PLSC	121	American Government 1: People & Policy	PSI 100	3	
PLSC	122	American Government 2: Policy Making	PSI 101	3	
PLSC	221	American Political Parties		3	
PLSC	251	Public Administration		3	
PLSC	311	American State & Local Government		3	
GEOG	311	Social Applications of GIS		3	
PLSC	323	International Organization		3	
	<b>OR</b>				
PLSC	331	Comparative World Governments	PSI 202	3	
PLSC	341	International Politics	PSI 201	3	
PLSC	410	Politics & Media		3	
PLSC	411	Urban and Regional Planning		3	
SSCI	425	Issues in Public Policy		3	
		TOTAL		33	
<b>NOTE: A 2.75 GPA IS REQUIRED IN THE MAJOR/MINOR. NO GRADE LESS THAN A "C".</b>					

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**IN ADDITION TO AN EDUCATION MAJOR, AN EDUCATION MINOR IS REQUIRED FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE DEGREE. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE EDUCATIONAL COUNSELOR FOR ASSISTANCE. EMAIL: [CLINEMA@FERRIS.EDU](mailto:CLINEMA@FERRIS.EDU) OR TELEPHONE (231) 591-3646 OR 1-800-4-FERRIS EXTENSION 3646.**

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**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY/KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
SECONDARY EDUCATION/PROFESSIONAL SEQUENCE**

Admission to the **Technical** curriculum requires the completion of one of the following:

1. An A.A.S. Degree with at least 40 semester hours in the occupational major and a minimum grade point average of 2.50 in the major courses **OR**
2. Occupational competence documented by the Michigan Occupational Competency Assessment Center (MOCAC)

<b>NOTE: STUDENTS MUST OBTAIN THE APPROPRIATE GPA FOR THEIR MAJOR/MINOR AS ESTABLISHED BY EACH DEPARTMENT. A 2.75 GPA IS REQUIRED IN THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSE SEQUENCE. A 2.50 CUMULATIVE GPA IS ALSO REQUIRED BEFORE STUDENT TEACHING.</b>					
<b>FIELD EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT: (for vocational majors only: Technical, Business, Marketing</b> Two years of wage earning occupational work experience (within the last six (6) years) required. <b>Contact the Vocational Authorization Officer immediately.</b> *Possible options are available if you have at least one-year of experience (check with Vocational Authorization Officer).					
*EDUC	391	Cooperative Work Internship (4 - 8 S.H.)	8		
<b>REQUIRED</b>	<b>PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES ( 40-44 Credit Hours Required)</b>		<b>S.H.</b>	<b>KVCC</b>	<b>GRADE</b>
<b>Level I Courses</b>					
EDUC	101	Introduction to the Profession of Teaching	1		
EDUC	251	Life Span Human Growth & Development	3		
EDUC	289	Principles of Teaching & Learning	3		
<i>NOTE: Prior to enrolling in any Level II or Level III course, all students in teacher education programs must pass all sections of the state-mandated Basic Skills Test and complete a level II application.</i>					
<b>Level II Courses</b>					
EDUC	303	School, Work, and Society	3		
EDUC	338	Secondary General Methods I (Application Required)	4		
EDUC	415	Teaching Strategies for Special Education and Diverse Populations (prerequisite: EDUC 338)	3		
EDUC	438	Secondary General Methods II (Application Required)	5		
EDUC	443	Teaching Reading/Secondary Areas	3		
<i>The next course is required for vocational majors only ( Technical, Business, Marketing)</i>					
EDUC	400	Foundations in Career and Technical Education	3		
<b>Level III Courses</b>					
EDUC	491	Secondary Directed Teaching (Application Required)	6-12		
EDUC	499	Professional Seminar	2		
		<b>TOTAL</b>	33-39		

Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their advisor to discuss the appropriate sequence of courses for their program and any conflicts with other courses. No Grade Lower than a C.

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