

**Southwestern Illinois College  
Pathway - Political Science**

**Southwestern Illinois College  
Associate of Art Degree**

**Fall Year 1**

| SWIC Course  |                                     | Hours     |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| ENG 101      | Rhetoric and Composition I          | 3         |
| COMM 151     | Fundamentals of Public Speaking     | 3         |
| POLS 150     | Introduction to American Government | 3         |
| IAI Math     | IAI Math                            | 4         |
| ELE XXX      | Elective                            | 3         |
| <b>Total</b> |                                     | <b>16</b> |

**Spring Year 1**

| SWIC Course           |                             | Hours     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| ENG 102               | Rhetoric and Composition II | 3         |
| POLS 240 <sup>1</sup> | Comparative Politics        | 3         |
| ELE XXX               | Elective                    | 3         |
| IAI FA <sup>2</sup>   | IAI Fine Arts               | 3         |
| IAI LS                | IAI Life Science            | 4         |
| <b>Total</b>          |                             | <b>16</b> |

**Fall Year 2**

| SWIC Course                |                             | Hours     |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| IAI HUM <sup>2</sup>       | IAI Humanities              | 3         |
| ELE XXX                    | Elective                    | 3         |
| IAI HUM or FA <sup>2</sup> | IAI Humanities or Fine Arts | 3         |
| ELE XXX                    | Elective                    | 3         |
| ELE XXX                    | Elective                    | 3         |
| <b>Total</b>               |                             | <b>15</b> |

**Spring Year 2**

| SWIC Course           |                         | Hours     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| POLS 270 <sup>1</sup> | International Relations | 3         |
| IAI PS                | IAI Physical Science    | 4         |
| IAI BS                | IAI Behavioral Science  | 3         |
| HES                   | Human Well Being        | 2         |
| ELE XXX               | Elective                | 3         |
| ELE XXX               | Elective                | 2         |
| <b>Total</b>          |                         | <b>17</b> |

**Associate in Art Degree Total** **64**

**Southern Illinois University Edwardsville  
Bachelor of Science Degree**

**Fall Year 3**

| SIUE Course  |                                    | Hours     |
|--------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| POLS 300     | Introduction to Political Analysis | 3         |
| Minor        | Minor Course                       | 3         |
| Minor        | Minor Course                       | 3         |
| POLS XXX     | Political Science Subfield         | 3         |
| ELE XXX      | Elective                           | 3         |
| <b>Total</b> |                                    | <b>15</b> |

**Spring Year 3**

| SIUE Course  |                            | Hours     |
|--------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| POLS XXX     | Political Science Subfield | 3         |
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| IS           | Interdisciplinary Studies  | 3         |
| Minor        | Minor                      | 3         |
| Minor        | Minor                      | 3         |
| <b>Total</b> |                            | <b>15</b> |

**Fall Year 4**

| SIUE Course   |                                     | Hours     |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| POLS 400      | Political Science Senior Assignment | 3         |
| POLS XXX      | POLS Elective                       | 3         |
| Minor         | Minor                               | 3         |
| Minor/ELE XXX | Minor/Elective                      | 3         |
| POLS XXX      | POLS Elective                       | 3         |
| <b>Total</b>  |                                     | <b>15</b> |

**Spring Year 4**

| SIUE Course   |                | Hours     |
|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| POLS XXX      | POLS Elective  | 3         |
| POLS XXX      | POLS Elective  | 3         |
| Minor/ELE XXX | Minor/Elective | 3         |
| Minor/ELE XXX | Minor/Elective | 3         |
| ELE XXX       | Elective       | 3         |
| <b>Total</b>  |                | <b>15</b> |

**Bachelor Total** **124**

\*\* Students must complete 50% or more of SIUE degree requirements.

<sup>1</sup>POLS 240 and 270 are offered spring only and can be interchangeable.

<sup>2</sup> A Non-Western Culture class is required for an Associate of Arts.

NOTE: A minor is required for students who major in Political Science. Options for a double major, double minor, or a single minor are available. Courses taken at SWIC to meet SWIC's general education requirements (including electives) can be used for the minor(s) or additional major. Students should begin planning early for any of these options.