

Northwest Indian College to Lewis-Clark State College  
**Political Science 2025-2026**  
 Advising Guide



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**GENERAL EDUCATION**

Course #	Course Title	CR	
CMST 101 or 220	Intro/Oral Comm or Public Speaking	4	
CMPS 101	Introduction to Computers	3	
HMDV 110	Introduction to Successful Learning	4	
<b>Foundational Requirements</b>			
CSOV 101	Introduction to Cultural Sovereignty	5	
CSOV 102	Languages of Our Ancestors	5	
CSOV 120	Reclaiming our History	5	
POLS 225	History of Federal Indian Policy	5	
<b>English Composition</b>			
ENGL 101	English Composition I	5	
ENGL 102	English Composition II	5	
<b>Quantitative Skills</b>			
Select at least 1 course, in consultation with NWIC advisor		5	
<b>Humanities</b>			
Select at least 5 credits, in consultation with NWIC advisor		5	
<b>Social Sciences</b>			
Select at least 5 credits, in consultation with NWIC advisor		5	
<b>Natural Sciences</b>			
Choose courses from at least two subjects with no more than 10 credits from any one subject. Include at least 10 credits in physical or biological sciences. Include at least one laboratory class designated NSL.		15	
<b>Electives</b>			
A minimum of 8 credits of courses coded CS, HP, HT, NS, NSL, QS, SS, or TE from at least two subjects. A maximum of 3 credits of Physical Education (PHED) may be used as TE electives. A maximum of 11 NE credits may be chosen from any course numbered 100 to 299.		19	
<b>Additional NWIC courses that meet LC State BA/BS Degree Requirements**</b>			
NASD 101, 102, & 103	Conversational Native American Language**	9	
POLS 118	Rights of Indian Tribes**	3	
POLS 119	Native American Fisheries Treaty Rights**	3	
POLS 240	Indian Policy / Tribal Self-Government**	3	
<b>Total Quarter Credits for Associate's Degree</b>		<b>90</b>	
<b>LC State Admissions</b>			
<b>www.lcsc.edu/admissions or (208) 792-2378 admissions@lcsc.edu</b>			

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Course #	Course Title	CR	
<b>Major Courses</b>			
<i>Social Science Research Skills Component:</i>			
ANTH 386, or HIST 200, or PSYC/SS 300	Ethnography or Keys to Historical Research or Statistical Methods	3	
POLS 200	Social and Political Philosophy	3	
SS 385	Research Methodology	3	
SS 499	Research Project and Seminar	3	
<i>Political Science Emphasis:</i>			
POLS 101	American National Government	3	
POLS 237	International Politics	3	
POLS 285	Comparative Government	3	
Select 15 credits of POLS numbered 300 or above		15	
Select 8 credits of foreign/heritage language		8	
Select 12 credits of ANTH, HIST, JS, PSYC, SOC, SS numbered 300 or above. At least 3 credits each of ANTH, HIST, and SOC		12	
<b>General Electives</b>			
General Electives needed to reach at least 120 credits		27	
<b>Graduation Requirements</b>			
Residency Credits		32	
Upper Division Credits		36	
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>		<b>120</b>	

Notes:



Complete all required/elective coursework for the Associate of Arts and Sciences, General Direct Transfer degree, at Northwest Indian College (90 quarter credits minimum).

- This advising guide is based on the completion of an appropriate Associate's degree (typically an AA-DTA or AS-DTA) with additions made to meet lower division requirements.
- 32 Residency (LC State) credits required for graduation.
- 36 credits must be upper division.
- LC State classes available online (asynchronous) or virtual remote (meet at set times via video conferencing).
- This is just a guide. Please check with your advisor to ensure you earn at least 32 credits at LC State and have completed 36 upper division credits