

**Articulation Agreement  
between**

***Inver Hills Community College Political Science Department-A.A. with Emphasis in  
Political Science***

**and**

***Metropolitan State University Social Science Department-B.A. Social Science  
(Disciplinary Track--Political Science)***

**Sending institution (*Inver Hills Community College, Inver Grove Heights, MN*) and  
Receiving institution (*Metropolitan State University, Saint Paul, MN*)**

**Statement of Purpose**

This agreement has been entered into by (***Inver Hills Community College***) and (***Metropolitan State University***) to transfer the (***A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science***) to the (***B.A. Social Science (Disciplinary Track--Political Science)***). The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related degree program to another. It is further recognized that the attached appendix or appendices shall describe the required ***A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science*** at (***Inver Hills Community College***), for admission eligibility to (***Metropolitan State University***), in the (***B.A. Social Science (Disciplinary Track--Political Science)***) program. This agreement identifies all required and equivalent courses at each institution.

**Terms and Conditions of Credit Transfer:**

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in full compliance with MnSCU policies and all other state and Federal education policies pertaining to undergraduate credit transfer. Current students and graduates, who have earned degrees, certificates or diplomas from (***Inver Hills Community College***) shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement. Program specific requirements and/or required courses are listed for both (all) institutions and defined in Appendix A of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as (***Metropolitan State University***) students.

- **Associate in Arts degree** transfer students who have completed the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum are exempt from additional lower-division general education courses unless the degree requires program specific lower division general education courses.
- **Associate in Fine Arts (AFA) degree** may be awarded after the successful completion of a program in a designated discipline in fine arts. The AFA degree is designed for transfer to a baccalaureate degree, as specified in an articulation agreement between the partnering institutions.
- **Associate in Science degree** transfer students will transfer the first two years of an articulated baccalaureate degree program.

- **Associate in Applied Science degree** transfer students will transfer the number of credits agreed upon by both sending and receiving institutions as identified in appendix A.
- **Diploma** transfer students will transfer the number of credits agreed upon by both sending and receiving institutions as identified in appendix A.
- **Certificate** transfer students will transfer the number of credits agreed upon by both sending and receiving institutions as identified in appendix A.
- Applicants accepted must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in appendix A.

### **Joint Admission Option**

Students may be admitted to both institutions simultaneously. With joint admissions, students receive a place in (**Metropolitan State University B.A. Social Science (Disciplinary Track-- Political Science) program**) upon transfer from (**Inver Hills Community College A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science program**) if they meet the requirements listed on Appendix A. Students may also:

- Concurrently enroll in courses at both institutions.
- Have access to advising and other services at both institutions

### **Collaboration Practices**

Faculty at both institutions will cooperate in scheduling course offerings in a convenient, flexible manner. The resources of both institutions, including faculty and space, will be used in a manner that enhances the educational opportunities available to students. In addition:

- Each institution will jointly offer sponsored courses when appropriate.
- Tuition and fees will be paid to the institution from which the student takes a course as specified in appendix A..
- Both institutions will work together to develop counseling, advising, transcription, registration and financial aid procedures to facilitate concurrent enrollment of students.
- Both institutions will inform potential students about this program.
- Special Requirements (for admission, accreditation, graduation, etc.) if any.
- Estimated time frame for completion (based on full-time enrollment).
- Life of credits for courses (if any).

### **Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review**

The Chief Academic Officer or designee of the collaborating institutions, shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

This agreement becomes effective on \_\_\_\_\_ and remains in effect until \_\_\_\_\_ unless terminated or amended by either party with prior written notice.

This agreement will be reviewed for renewal \_\_\_\_\_ years from today.

Sending Institution

Cheryl Trout 2/26/09  
President Date

Frank Castello 2/26/09  
Chief Academic Officer Date

[Signature] 02/17/09  
Dean or Designee Date

[Signature] 2/9/09  
Department Faculty Member Date

Receiving Institution

[Signature] 2-9-09  
President Date

[Signature] 5 Feb 09  
Chief Academic Officer Date

[Signature] 2-5-09  
Dean or Designee Date

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# APPENDIX A

## Memorandum of Cooperation Between Inver Hills Community College Political Science Department and Metropolitan State University Social Science Department

### Transfer Articulation Agreement for social science-political science Major(s) Inver Hills Community College Political Science Department-A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science and Metropolitan State University Social Science Department-B.A. Social Science (Disciplinary Track--Political Science)

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines any requirements, and indicates which courses can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major and program, and graduation requirements.

**Admissions Requirements: The IHCC A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science requires the following completion of Minnesota transfer curriculum with a particular focus on the political science discipline. The degree satisfies Metropolitan State University existing MnTC A.A. transfer admission policy.**

#### Graduation Requirements for IHCC's A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science:

1. Either POLS 1111 American Politics and Government or POLS 1101 Introduction to Political Science; and
2. Any three additional three credit courses within the discipline, which may include:
  - a. POLS 1111 American Politics and Government (MnTC Goals 5, 9)
  - b. POLS 1101 Introduction to Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 9)
  - c. POLS 1121 State and Local Government (MnTC Goals 5, 9)
  - d. POLS 1131 Introduction to World Politics (MnTC Goals 5, 8)
  - e. POLS 1141 Introduction to Environmental Politics (MnTC Goals 5, 10)
  - f. POLS 1161 Constitutional Law (MnTC Goals 5, 9)

TOTAL: 12 credit hours

#### Required Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Distribution\* (40 credits)

- MnTC Goal 1 Communication, 3 courses
- MnTC Goal 2 Critical Thinking, 0-1 course
- MnTC Goal 3 Natural Science, 2 courses
- MnTC Goal 4 Mathematical/Logical Reasoning, 1 course
- MnTC Goal 5 History/Social Sciences/Behavioral Sciences, 3 courses
- MnTC Goal 6 Humanities/Fine Arts/Literature, 3 courses
- MnTC Goal 7 Human Diversity, 1 course
- MnTC Goal 8 Global Perspective, 1 course
- MnTC Goal 9 Ethic and Civic Responsibility, 1 course
- MnTC Goal 10 People and the Environment, 1 course

\*Some courses may be applied to more than one goal area resulting in completion of the 10 goals with fewer than 40 credits.

Total MnTC Goals 40 credits

Electives (up to 18 credits)

Health and Physical Education 2 credits

#### Graduation Requirements for Metropolitan State University B.A. Social Science (Disciplinary Track--Political Science):

1. Completion of Metropolitan State University's general education requirements (satisfied by completion of Minnesota transfer curriculum included in the IHCC A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science degree)
2. Lower-division Electives in Political Science (up to 9 credits satisfied by completion of the A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science degree)
3. Survey Course (4 credits, select one course)
  - POL 301 Citizenship in a Global Context OR
  - POL 321 World Politics
4. Core Courses (15-16 credits)
  - SSCI 359I Internship: Civic Engagement, The Social Sciences and Public Life (3-4 credits)

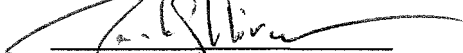
- SSCI 311 Research Methods in Social Science
  - SSCI 501 Great Ideas: Classics of Social Science
  - SSCI 451 Social Science Capstone: Thesis Seminar OR
  - SSCI 452 Social Science Capstone: Integrative Seminar
- NOTE: Sequencing: SSCI 311, SSCI 501, SSCI 451, SSCI 452 must be taken in three separate semesters in the order listed above.
5. Upper-division Electives in Political Science (to reach 36 credits)
- Select 300-level courses in political science
  - Students may also take SSCI 301 Politics, Markets and Society

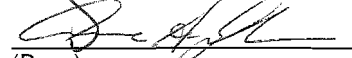
**Optional: List course equivalency tables in separate appendix**

Program Articulation Plan	Sending Institution Courses/Credits	Receiving Institution Courses/Credits
General Education requirements - to be selected from MnTC or equivalent.	Completion of required Minnesota transfer curriculum for A.A. degree	As outlined by previous transfer agreements, completion of required Minnesota transfer curriculum culminating the in the IHCC A.A. degree will fulfill Metropolitan State University's general education requirements
Prerequisites (courses required for admission to upper level major)	None	None
Electives	POLS 1111 American Politics and Government (MnTC Goals 5, 9) POLS 1101 Introduction to Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 9) POLS 1121 State and Local Government (MnTC Goals 5, 9) POLS 1131 Introduction to World Politics (MnTC Goals 5, 8) POLS 1141 Introduction to Environmental Politics (MnTC Goals 5, 10) POLS 1161 Constitutional Law (MnTC Goals 5, 9)  ** Either POLS 1111 American Politics and Government or POLS 1101 Introduction to Political Science required for the IHCC A.A. with Emphasis in Political Science degree; additionally students choose any three additional three credit courses within the discipline (12 credits total)	POL 101 Intro to American Government and Politics (MnTC Goals 5, 9) POL T** Lower-division Elective in Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 9) POL T** Lower-division Elective in Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 9) POL T** Lower-division Elective in Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 8) POL T** Lower-division Elective in Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 10) POL T** Lower-division Elective in Political Science (MnTC Goals 5, 9)  ** Lower-division electives in Political Science required for the B.A. Social Science (Disciplinary Track--Political Science) (9 credits total)
	Credit total: 60 semester credit hours	Credit total: 60 semester credit hours

**Signatures**

**Sending Institution**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Department Chair)

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Dean)

**Receiving Institution**

2/9/09 Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Program Coordinator)

2/5/09  
Date

2/17/09 Date

  
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(Dean)

2-5-09  
Date