

## Northeastern Illinois University Transfer Guide

### BA in Political Science

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**Transfer guides are produced as a service to MCC students. Every effort is made to maintain up-to-date and accurate information; however, this information is subject to change. Such changes take precedence over the information on this guide. Students should work with an MCC advisor and check with the four-year school as soon as the transfer decision is made. Responsibility for complying with all applicable requirements ultimately rests with the student.**

The BA in Political Science prepares students who wish to enter careers in fields such as law enforcement, teaching, the civil service, the military, legal professions, state and local government, urban planning, journalism, or in any organization that seeks to monitor the political process or to influence content of public policy. NEIU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.

#### Transfer Options

- **Guaranteed Admission** at time of transfer under following conditions:
  - Minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA (see Education Plan on last page of this guide for course options)
  - Submit [Participation Form](#) prior to completing 45 credits at MCC.
  - Transfer within three years of signing the participation form**Additional benefits:** MCC Honors Program graduates granted automatic admission to NEIU's Honors Program; admission application fee waived; academic guidance from both MCC and NEIU. See your MCC academic advisor for more information.
- **Associate in Arts (AA) Degree** - Transfer students admitted to NEIU from an Illinois public community college who have completed an AA receive the following benefits:
  - Junior status
  - NEIU general education requirements satisfied (specific majors may require additional coursework)
- **Associate in Science (AS) Degree - AS degree requirements changed, beginning Summer 2016.** Transfer students admitted to NEIU who have completed an AS degree under MCC's 2016/17 or after catalog receive the following benefits: junior status; NEIU general education requirements **may not be satisfied.**
- **Illinois Articulation Initiative** - Transfer students who have been certified by a participating Illinois college or university as having completed the IAI GECC will have satisfied NEIU's general education requirements if their general education component has a minimum of 37 semester hours (specific majors may require additional coursework).
- **For students who transfer prior to completing an AA degree or the IAI core:**
  - If only a portion of the IAI GECC is completed upon transfer, NEIU will evaluate each course to determine whether it meets an NEIU General Education requirement. The IAI GECC may not be completed at NEIU.
  - The AA degree may be completed while enrolled at NEIU.

#### Admission

- **Application and admission to University** - For details, please refer to the NEIU website.
  - **Application deadline:** Fall: July 15; Spring: November 1; Summer: April 1
  - **Minimum cumulative GPA** – 2.00

### Additional Information

- **GPA calculation for admission** – For admission purposes only, all college level course work is considered in GPA calculation. Repeated courses are accepted only once in transfer. In the case where a repeated course is one which was initially failed, the F grade will not be counted in the GPA. This applies to one F grade per course repeated.
- **Maximum hours accepted from a community college** – Up to 64 hours may be transferred from a community college. Science and education courses which are 15 years old or more are not transferable without special departmental and/or college approval.
- **Catalog Rule** Students follow the General Education requirements in place at the time of initial enrollment. Students follow Major requirements in place at the time of initial enrollment as well.
- **Improving Human Relations Requirement:** A course designated as Improving Human Relations is a graduation requirement. Following are courses that satisfy the requirement: ANT 170; ART155, 165; ENG275, 276; GEG203, 204; HIS165; MUS153; PHI160, 251, 261; PLT151(required in the major); SOC151, 260.
- **Grade requirements** – Students must earn a grade of C or higher in all major-related courses. Political Science courses with D grades may be used as university electives. Students can use two D grades in their general education requirements as well.
- **Scholarship opportunity** – The Provost and Dean Merit Scholarships for transfer students provide funding to students who have earned an AA or AS degree and enroll at least fulltime (12 credits hours) at NEIU. The scholarship will provide \$2,000 to students who have earned a cumulative 3.5 transfer GPA and \$1,000 to students who have earned a cumulative 3.0 transfer GPA. Illinois residency is required.

### Education Plan – AA degree to BA in Political Science

Completion of this program will satisfy requirements for MCC's AA degree and NEIU's General Education requirements. Please refer to MCC's AA degree planning sheet or catalog for approved IAI and Diversity & Multicultural Studies courses and detailed AA degree requirements. **It is always recommended that you work with an advisor when planning your transfer program.**

**Human Relations NEIU Requirement** - Select a course that will also satisfy one of MCC's requirements in Humanities & Fine Arts or Social & Behavioral Sciences or Intercultural Studies: ANT 170; ART155, 165; ENG275, 276; GEG203, 204; HIS165; MUS153; PHI160, 251, 261; PLT151; SOC151, 260.

| MCC AA Degree Requirements                                   |         |   |         |
|--|---------|---|---------|
| MCC Courses  | Credits | MCC Courses   | Credits |
| <b>Communications (9 SH)</b>                                 |         | <b>*Diversity &amp; Multicultural Studies</b>   |         |
| ____ ENG151 Composition I (minimum C grade)                  | 3       | Two 3-credit hour courses are required.   |         |
| ____ ENG152 Composition II (minimum C grade)                 | 3       | Courses that fulfill this requirement may be used to satisfy requirements in Humanities/  |         |
| ____ SPE151 Introduction to Speech                           | 3       | Fine Arts, Social/Behavioral Sciences, or Electives. See current MCC catalog or AA planning sheet for course options.   |         |
| <b>*Humanities &amp; Fine Arts (9 SH)</b>                    |         | <b>Electives</b> (approximately 23 credits)   |         |
| (No more than 2 courses can be chosen with the same prefix.) |         | Select with the assistance of an academic advisor and the NEIU contact listed on this guide. It is important that you choose courses that apply toward the bachelor's degree. |         |
| ____ IAI Humanities  | 3       | ____ PLT255 Comp Govt (minimum C grade)   | 3       |
| ____ IAI Fine Arts   | 3       | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| ____ IAI Humanities or Fine Arts                             | 3       | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| <b>Physical and Life Sciences (7 SH)</b>                     |         | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| 7 credits, at least 1 course w/lab                           |         | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| ____ IAI Physical Science                                    | 3-4     | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| ____ IAI Life Science  | 3-4     | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| <b>*Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (9 SH)</b>              |         | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| ____ PLT150 Intro Political Thought (minimum C grade)        | 3       | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| ____ PLT151 US Government                                    | 3       | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| ____ Select one IAI Social & Behavioral Sciences course      | 3       | ____ Elective   | 3       |
| <b>Mathematics (3 SH)</b>                                    |         | <b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>  |         |
| ____ IAI Math course   | 3       | 60 credits required for an MCC AA degree.   |         |