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TRANSFER MAJOR: ANY DISCIPLINE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEGREE: BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES IN SOCIAL SCIENCE

Requirements for Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences

- The graduation requirements of the University as described in the *Undergraduate Education* section of this catalog; 120 credits, including general elective credits, are required for the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science.

The University's Tier II writing requirement for the Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science major is met by completing Social Science 499. That course is referenced in item 4. below.

- The graduation requirements of the College of Social Science for the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree.

3. Foundation Courses (9 to 12 credits):

Lansing Community College Equivalency	Credits	Michigan State University
ANTH 270: Cultural Anthropology*	3	ANP 201: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
ECON 201: Principles of Economics-Micro*	3	EC 201: Introduction to Microeconomics
GEOG 200: Introduction to Geography*	3	GEO 204: World Regional Geography
NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY →	3	HST 110: Historical Approaches to Contemporary Issues
POLS 201: Introduction to Political Science*	4	PLS 200: Introduction to Political Science
PSYC 200: Introduction to Psychology*	4	PSY 101: Introductory Psychology
SOCL 120: Introduction to Sociology* →	4	SOC 100: Introduction to Sociology

One foundation course must match the discipline in the selected cognate, as listed in item 5. below. Qualified students may substitute Economics 251H (EC 251H) for Economics 201 (EC 201).

4. All of the following courses (9 credits):

Lansing Community College Equivalency	Credits	Michigan State University
There are currently no LCC courses that fulfill the MSU SSC requirements since the courses are specifically designed for the IDS major at this university.	3	SSC 299: Integration of Social Science Perspectives
	3	SSC 495: Interdisciplinary Research Methods
	3	SSC 499: Capstone in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science (W)

Important Notes

- The arrows are used as an example indicating the directional transfer between courses from LCC to MSU.
- Lansing Community College's ECON 201 transfers 4 course credits over to MSU: EC 201 (3 credits) and EC GCU (1 credit).
- Lansing Community College's GEOG 200 transfers 4 course credits over to MSU: GEO 204 (3 credits) and GEO GCU (1 credit).
- PSYC 200 to PSY 101 equivalency is effective through Fall 2027.
- ANTH 270 to ANP 201, ECON 201 to EC 201, GEOG 200 to GEO 204, POLS 201 to PLS 200, SOCL 120 to SOC 100: This course may apply toward the Integrative Studies in Social Sciences if completed prior to matriculation at MSU. If completed after matriculation, the course will transfer as stated, however, will not be used to meet the Integrative Studies requirement.

5a. Disciplinary Cognate

Complete a minimum of 12 credits in one of the following cognates: anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, sociology, or liberal studies.

Lansing Community College Equivalency	Credits	Michigan State University
<u>Anthropology:</u> ANTH 276: Introduction to Archaeology ANTH 275: Physical Anthropology*	3 3	In addition to the ANP 201 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following: <i>a. One of the following courses:</i> ANP 203: Introduction to Archaeology ANP 206: Introduction to Physical Anthropology <i>b. Three Anthropology courses at the 300-400 level (9 credits)</i>
<u>Economics:</u> ECON 202: Principles of Economics-Macro*	3	In addition to the EC 201 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following: <i>a. The following course:</i> EC 202: Introduction to Macroeconomics <i>b. Three courses in Economics at the 300-400 level (9 credits)</i>
<u>Geography:</u> NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY GEOG 121: Physical Geography GSCI 100: Introduction to Geospatial Tech	3 3 3 3	In addition to the GEO 204 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following: <i>a. One of the following courses:</i> GEO 113: Introduction to Economic Geography GEO 151: Introduction to Human Geography GEO 206: Physical Geography <i>b. The following course:</i> GEO 221: Introduction to Geographic Information <i>c. Two Geography courses at the 300-400 level (6 credits)</i>
<u>History:</u> HIST 210: Historical Methods and Skills*	3	In addition to the HST 110 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following: <i>a. The following course:</i> HST 201: Historical Methods and Skills <i>b. Three History courses at the 300-400 level, only two of which may be on the United States (9 credits)</i>

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- Lansing Community College's ANTH 275 transfers 4 course credits over to MSU; ANP 206 (3 credits) and ANP GCU (1 credit).
- Lansing Community College's ECON 202 transfers 4 course credits over to MSU; EC 202 (3 credits) and EC GCU (1 credit).
- Lansing Community College's GEOG 121 and GEOG 221 each transfers 4 course credits over to MSU; GEO 206 (3 credits), GEO 206L (1 credit), and GEO GCU.
- Lansing Community College's HIST 210 transfers 4 course credits over to MSU; HST 201 (3 credits) and HST GCU (1 credit).
- ECON 202 to EC 202: This equivalency is effective through Summer 2024.
- ECON 202 to EC 202, GEOG 121 to GEO 206: This course may apply toward the Integrative Studies in Social Sciences if completed prior to matriculation at MSU. If completed after matriculation, the course will transfer as stated, however, will not be used to meet the Integrative Studies requirement.

5b. Disciplinary Cognate

Complete a minimum of 12 credits in one of the following cognates: anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, sociology, or liberal studies.

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<p><u>Political Science</u></p> <p>NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY</p>	4	<p>In addition to the PLS 200 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following:</p> <p><i>a. The following course:</i> PLS 201: Introduction to Methods of Political Analysis</p> <p><i>b. Three Political Science courses at the 300-400 level (9 credits)</i></p>
<p><u>Psychology:</u></p> <p>NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY</p> <p>PSYC 209: Cognitive Psychology PSYC 210: Brain and Behavior* PSYC 203: Social Psychology PSYC 202: Psychology of Personality* PSYC 221: Child Psychology*</p> <p>NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY</p>	<p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p> <p>3</p>	<p>In addition to the PSY 101 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following:</p> <p><i>a. The following course:</i> PSY 295: Data Analysis in Psychological Research*</p> <p><i>b. Two of the following courses:</i> PSY 200: Cognitive Psychology PSY 209: Brain and Behavior PSY 235: Social Psychology PSY 236: Personality PSY 244: Developmental Psychology: Infancy Through Childhood PSY 255: Industrial and Organizational Psychology PSY 270: Community Psychology PSY 280: Abnormal Psychology</p> <p><i>c. One Psychology course at the 300-400 level (3 credits)</i></p>
<p><u>Sociology:</u></p> <p>NO CURRENT EQUIVALENCY</p>	4	<p>In addition to the SOC 100 foundation course listed in item 3. above, complete the following:</p> <p><i>a. The following course:</i> SOC 281: Social Research Methods</p> <p><i>b. Three Sociology courses at the 300-400 level (9 credits)</i></p>

Important Notes

- PSY 295: Students who have completed Statistics and Probability 315 should consult an academic advisor before completing this course.
- PSYC 210 to PSY 209 equivalency is effective through Fall 2027.
- PSYC 202 to PSY 236, PSYC 221 to PSY 244: This course may apply toward the Integrative Studies in Social Sciences if completed prior to matriculation at MSU. If completed after matriculation, the course will transfer as stated, however, will not be used to meet the Integrative Studies requirement. This equivalency is effective through Summer 2024.



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MSU 300-400 Level Course Equivalency Recommendations

Lansing Community College Equivalency	Credits	Michigan State University
<u>Anthropology:</u> ANTH 271: Medical Anthropology ANTH 280: Forensic Anthropology*	3 3	ANP 370: Culture, Health, and Illness ANP 441: Osteology and Forensic Anthropology
<u>Economics:</u> NO EQUIVALENCY	N/A	NO EQUIVALENCY
<u>Geography:</u> GEOG 202: World Regional Geography* GSCI 240: Cartography in GIS GSCI 241: Remote Sens/AirPhoto Interpret	3 3 3	GEO 330: Geography of the United States and Canada GEO 326: Cartographic Design and Production GEO 324: Remote Sensing of the Environment
<u>History:</u> HIST 220: Michigan History*	3	HST 320: History of Michigan
<u>Political Science:</u> POLS 121: State and Local Government* POLS 240: Introduction to Public Policy	3 3	PLS 301: American State Government PLS 313: American Public Policy
<u>Psychology:</u> NO EQUIVALENCY	N/A	NO EQUIVALENCY
<u>Sociology:</u> NO EQUIVALENCY	N/A	NO EQUIVALENCY

Important Notes

- ANTH 280 to ANP 441 equivalency is effective through Spring 2025.
- Lansing Community College's HIST 220 transfers 4 course credits over to MSU; HST 320 (3 credits) and HST GCU (1 credit).
- POLS 121 to PLS 301 equivalency is effective through Fall 2025.
- GEOG 202 to GEO 330, HIST 271 to HST 326: This course may apply toward the Integrative Studies in Social Sciences if completed prior to matriculation at MSU. If completed after matriculation, the course will transfer as stated, however, will not be used to meet the Integrative Studies requirement.
- **There may be additional course equivalencies with a completed associates degree; meet with an academic advisor for more specific details regarding course credit transfers.**



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5c. Disciplinary Cognate

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Liberal Studies Cognate

Students interested in completing a Liberal Studies cognate must complete 12 credits of course work in the College of Social Science. Liberal Studies students may only count College of Social Science courses toward their cognate requirements, but are strongly encouraged to select appropriate objectives, or minors to accomplish the student's academic goals. To pursue this cognate, a student must develop a proposal coordination with an Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science advisor that includes the following:

- a) A proposed outline for the course work to be taken with a rationale for each course.
- b) A statement of purpose for the proposed course work.
- c) A set of learning outcomes that will be achieved through the course work that is not available in other majors at the University, or the College.

The proposed course of study must be approved by an Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science advisor, two faculty members in the College of Social Science, and the Center for Integrative Studies director.

MICHIGAN TRANSFER AGREEMENT (MTA)

Michigan State University is an active participant in the Michigan Transfer Agreement. For those students transferring to MSU who have received the MTA designation of "MTA Satisfied" on their incoming Community College transcript, the general education requirements* at Michigan State University will be satisfied.

*Waiving a University Requirement may not waive a course as a prerequisite.

The MTA requires a minimum of 30 semester hours of college-level credit which will fulfill most, if not all, of the lower-division general education requirements at participating four-year colleges or universities. These 30 semester hours must include:

- One course in English Composition
- A second course in English Composition or one course in Communications
- Two courses in Social Sciences (*from two different academic disciplines*)
- Two courses in Natural Sciences including one with laboratory experience (*from two different academic disciplines*)
- Two courses in Humanities or Fine Arts (*from two different academic disciplines; studio and performance classes are not eligible*)
- One course in College Algebra, Statistics or Quantitative Reasoning
- Each course used to complete MTA requirements must be completed with a grade of 2.0 or higher.

For further information, please visit the MACRAO website at <https://www.macrao.org/michigan-transfer-agreement>.

Important Notes

- **Important:** Effective Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021 and Summer 2021 semesters - Transfer equivalency policy - Students wanting to transfer a course from another institution into MSU that did not offer S/NS grading or its equivalence during the Spring 2020, Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 terms may be allowed to transfer that course if they received a 1.0 or higher as a satisfactory (S) grade.



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