

International Studies, BA

University of Central Missouri

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Program Description

The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degree/requirements/associate-arts/>) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students who transfer to UCM with an Associate of Arts degree are considered to have met all 42 hours of UCM's General Education requirements, with the exception of Major/Minor-Required General Education courses and the Constitution Requirement. Visit the UCM General Education Program guide (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fnextcatalog.jccc.edu%2Ftransfer-guides%2Fcentral-missouri%2Fcentral-missouri-general-education%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cskhalif2%40jccc.edu%7C3bbbe8fc84564328cf7008de1320415e%7C15244239dcf245e7aefd127b69fc5438%7C1%7C0%7C638969226426500133%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiilwLjAuMDAwMCIslIAiOiJXaW4zMilskFOljoiTWFpbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2fEwF%2FitGtEBAX4dsIJ2vihW0Lf5GJaDs7z4GtDDwc8%3D&reserved=0>) for details. The elective hours within the A.A. allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors/minors. Students who transfer to UCM without a degree (or a degree other than an AA) will have all coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis. JCCC students not completing the AA degree should visit the UCM General Education Program guide (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fnextcatalog.jccc.edu%2Ftransfer-guides%2Fcentral-missouri%2Fcentral-missouri-general-education%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cskhalif2%40jccc.edu%7C3bbbe8fc84564328cf7008de1320415e%7C15244239dcf245e7aefd127b69fc5438%7C1%7C0%7C638969226426500133%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiilwLjAuMDAwMCIslIAiOiJXaW4zMilskFOljoiTWFpbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2fEwF%2FitGtEBAX4dsIJ2vihW0Lf5GJaDs7z4GtDDwc8%3D&reserved=0>) for course equivalents and also the UCM catalog for any specific or additional General Education requirements for their UCM program of study.

NOTE: Courses taken to fulfill General Education requirements may not be taken on the pass/fail basis.

Students should be cognizant of UCM's Upper-Level Course Requirement and Residence Requirement, especially if enrolling in more than 60 hours at JCCC. Visit the UCM General Education Program guide (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fnextcatalog.jccc.edu%2Ftransfer-guides%2Fcentral-missouri%2Fcentral-missouri-general-education%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cskhalif2%40jccc.edu%7C3bbbe8fc84564328cf7008de1320415e%7C15244239dcf245e7aefd127b69fc5438%7C1%7C0%7C638969226426500133%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiilwLjAuMDAwMCIslIAiOiJXaW4zMilskFOljoiTWFpbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2fEwF%2FitGtEBAX4dsIJ2vihW0Lf5GJaDs7z4GtDDwc8%3D&reserved=0>) for details.

The International Studies, BA degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours.

All international studies majors must satisfy one of the following: a) Participate in a study abroad program approved by UCM; b) Participate in an international internship approved by the International Studies Director and sponsored by a school at UCM; c) Participate in an international service learning program approved by the International Studies Director.

It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate information about the program, you must meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.

Program Requirements

UCM General Education Requirements

All students must complete a minimum of 42 credit hours in general education. The following general education courses are required by this major.

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code Hours	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Select one of the following:					
FL 220	Intermediate German I*	3	GER 2301	Intermediate German	3
FL 230	Intermediate Spanish I*	3	SPAN 2601	Intermediate Spanish I	3
FL 240	Intermediate French I*	3	FREN 2201	Intermediate French I	3
Select one of the following:					
POLS 132	Introduction to Comparative Government	3	POLS 2520	Political Cultures of the Wrlld	3
POLS 135	International Relations +	3	POLS 2530	World Politics	3

International Studies Major Requirements (33 hours)

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code Hours	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Content Specialization – Global Society & Culture[^]					
GEOS 145	World Regional Geography	3	GEOG 2212	World Geography	3
Select one of the following:					
HIST 126	Western Civilization: Scientific Revolution to the Modern Age	3	HIST 1402	History of the Modern World	3
HIST 152	World History: Modern World	3	HIST 1402	History of the Modern World	3
POLS 135	International Relations +	3	POLS 2530	World Politics	3
SOC 180	Inequality and Diversity in The United States	3	SOC 2845	Soc. Inequality Soc. Justice	3
Content Specialization – Human Rights, Peace & Justice[^]					
CJ 223	International Criminal Justice Systems	3	CJ 3020	Comparative Justice Systems	3
Content Specialization –International Development, Trade and Diplomacy[^]					
ECON 231	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON 1011	Principles of Microeconomics	3
POLS 132	Introduction to Comparative Government +	3	POLS 2520	Political Cultures of the Wrlld	3
POLS 200	Model United Nations	3	POLS 2535	Model United Nations	3
POLS 220	Introduction to Public Policy	3	POLS 4511	Public Policy	3

Modern Language Requirement (9 hours)

The modern language requirement is fulfilled by successfully completing nine semester hours of one modern language or completing six hours of one modern language and three hours of modern literature in translation (ENGL 2220 or ML 2000) or completing three hours of an upper-level (or level three) modern language course.



Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code Hours	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
ENGL 251	World Literature to 1620*	3	ENGL 2220	Intro to World Literature	3

Select one of the following:

FL 221	Intermediate German II*	3	GER 2302	Intermediate German II	3
FL 231	Intermediate Spanish II*	3	SPAN 2602	Intermediate Spanish II	3
FL 241	Intermediate French II*	3	FREN 2202	Intermediate French II	3

- * JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.
- ^ At least six (6) hours must be at the 3000 or 4000 level.
- + May not count as both a core and content course.

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