

ADT IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The Associate in Arts in Communication Studies for Transfer degree (AA-T) focuses on the areas of public communication, small group communication, oral interpretation, and interpersonal communication. It is designed to increase skills in verbal communication and public speaking, analysis and listening, interpersonal relationships, teamwork and leadership, motivation and initiative, and dealing with diversity.

The Associate in Arts in Communication Studies for Transfer degree provides lower division preparation for students planning to transfer into Speech Communication and Communication Studies programs. Students should take courses in both Speech Communication and Media Arts. Students who complete this degree will be guaranteed admission with junior status to the California State University system, and will be given priority admission to our local CSU campus.

Learning Outcomes

A.A.-Transfer Degree Level Student Learning Outcomes

Students completing the Communication Studies A.A.-Transfer Degree will:

1. Interpret and critically assess a variety of media messages, including those that reflect multicultural perspectives in order to make connections, critically compare and contrast ideas, and produce written, oral, and visual messages.
2. Research, organize, compose, and deliver public presentations on socially significant and intellectually challenging topics in order to demonstrate college-level public speaking skills and critical thinking.
3. Effectively listen to and critically evaluate others' messages in order to appreciate audience needs.

Requirements

Students receiving this transfer degree must meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) (<http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-transfer-csu-uc-igetc-option-iii/>) or the California State University General Education - Breadth Requirements (<http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/programs-study/graduation-requirements-associate-degree/general-education-requirements-transfer-csu-csuge-option-ii/>).
 - b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

ADTs also require that students must earn a "C" (or "P") or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

Code	Title	Units
Required courses:		
SPCH 101 or SPCH 101H	Public Address Public Address - Honors	3
Select two (2) of the following courses:		
SPCH 100	Interpersonal Communication	3
SPCH 103	Argumentation and Debate	3
SPCH 106	Small Group Communication	3
Select two (2) of the following courses:		
COMM 100	Mass Media and Society	3
COMM 101	Reporting and Writing News	3
COMM 104	Public Relations	3
PHTO 101	Basic Photography	3
SPCH 150	Intercultural Communication	3
Select one (1) of the following courses: ¹		
COMM 101	Reporting and Writing News	3
COMM 104	Public Relations	3
COMM 136	Cultural History of American Films	3
COMM 200	Visual Communications	3
COMM 230	Design for Media	3
COMM 240A	Student Media: Beginning Staff	3
ENGL 104	Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking	3
Total Units		18

¹ A course may be used only once to fulfill degree requirements.

Curriculum Map

2-Year Curriculum Map Example

This map represents one possible pathway through the program and is only for reference.

*It is highly recommended that you make an appointment (<https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrvcounsel/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx>) to create a customized education plan that fits your needs.

Note: Co-requisite MATH course (2 units) and/or substitute ENGL 101E (5 units) may be needed based on placement.

Course	Title	Units
Fall Term 1		
SPCH 101 or SPCH 101H	Public Address or Public Address - Honors	3
ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H	Reading and Composition or Reading and Composition - Honors	4
MATH 165 or MATH 165H	Introductory Statistics or Introductory Statistics - Honors	4
COUN 160 or KIN 170 or KIN 171 or KIN 171H or KIN 173	Strategies for College Success or Fitness for Life or Health and Wellness in Society or Health and Wellness - Honors or Introduction to Nutrition	3
Units		14

Course	Title	Units
Winter Term 1		
ART 108 or ART 110 or ART 199 or ART 199H or MUSE 113 or THEA 101 or THEA 101H	History of Photography or Introduction to the Visual Arts or Motion Picture Appreciation or Motion Picture Appreciation - Honors or History of Rock and Roll or Introduction to Theatre Arts or Introduction to Theatre Arts - Honors	3
Units		3
Spring Term 1		
COMM 101	Reporting and Writing News	3
COMM 240A	Student Media: Beginning Staff	3
SPCH 100 or SPCH 100H	Interpersonal Communication or Interpersonal Communication - Honors	3
ENGL 103 or ENGL 103H or ENGL 104 or ENGL 104H	Composition and Critical Thinking or Composition and Critical Thinking - Honors or Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking or Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking - Honors	3
Units		12
Summer Term 1		
POLI 103 or POLI 103H	American Government and Politics or American Government and Politics - Honors	3
ART 108 or ART 110 or ART 199 or ART 199H or COMM 111 or ENGL 290	History of Photography or Introduction to the Visual Arts or Motion Picture Appreciation or Motion Picture Appreciation - Honors or Introduction to Popular Culture or Ethnic Voices in Film	3
Units		6
Fall Term 2		
COMM 100	Mass Media and Society	3
SPCH 103 or SPCH 106	Argumentation and Debate or Small Group Communication	3
COMM 104 or COMM 200 or COMM 250	Public Relations or Visual Communications or Multimedia Reporting	3
ASTR 115 or ASTR 115H or ASTR 117 or ESCI 130 or FOR 102 or GEOG 118 or GEOG 130	Planetary Astronomy or Planetary Astronomy - Honors or Life In The Universe or Physical Oceanography or Introduction to Forest Ecology or Physical Geography or Introduction to Weather and Climate	3
Units		12
Winter Term 2		
HIST 107 or HIST 107H or HIST 108 or HIST 108H or HIST 111 or HIST 112 or HIST 160	History of the United States before 1877 or History of the United States before 1877 - Honors or History of the United States since 1877 or History of the United States since 1877 - Honors or History of the African-Americans to 1876 or History of the African-Americans since 1876 or History of Women in the United States	3
Units		3
Spring Term 2		
ANTH 212	Introduction to Physical Anthropology	3
ANTH 212L	Introduction to Physical Anthropology Lab	1
COMM 150 or SPCH 150	Communication Theory or Intercultural Communication	3
COMM 230 or PHTO 101 or PHTO 202	Design for Media or Basic Photography or Photojournalism	3
ETHN 101 or ETHN 116	Introduction to Ethnic Studies or Introduction to Chicano/Latino Studies	3
Units		13
Total Units		63

Career Information

Career Opportunities

There are a variety of careers you can do with this major.

To explore more about this major, schedule an appointment (<https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrvc/ctcenter/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx>) with a career counselor.