San José City College
Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree
2018-2019

AA-T COMMUNICATION STUDIES

San Jose City College offers an Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) degree and a Certificate of Achievement in Communication Studies. Communication Studies is the study of human communication. It includes public speaking, argumentation and persuasion, and interpersonal, intercultural, and small group communication. The importance of communication awareness, training, and skills are essential for successful and fulfilling personal, professional, and academic relationships and activities. Communication skills, theory, and practice are useful in any career including: education, business management, communication management, journalism, law enforcement, mass media and media arts, political science, public policy and administration, social work, public relations, advertising, broadcasting, technology, and finance.

Upon completion of program students will be able to:

- Express and convey message clearly for effective oral communication
- Demonstrate effective listening skills to comprehend spoken messages, analyze information critically, and consider multiple perspectives
- Participate in the civic life of their communities through public address and civic engagement, and advocate for positive change
- Articulate the importance of diversity, differing belief and value systems, as well as individual opinions
- Apply interpersonal skills to create and maintain successful and beneficial social and civic relationships
- Describe communication technology and its impact on human communication practices

To be awarded the Associate in Arts in Communication Studies for Transfer degree, students must:

1. Complete 60 semester units or 90 quarter units which are eligible for transfer to the California State University (CSU) system, including both of the following:
   (A) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education – Breadth Requirements.
   (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. Obtain a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEE A COUNSELOR, VISIT THE CAREER/TRANSFER CENTER, OR CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:

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Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADTs) also require that students must earn a “C” or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis. A ‘P’ (Pass) grade is acceptable grade for courses in the major if the course is taken on a “pass/no pass” basis.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (CORE, List A, List B and List C):

REQUIRED CORE – 3 units
COMS 020 Oral Communication 3

LIST A * – Select 2 courses (6 units):
COMS 010 Interpersonal Communication 3
COMS 040 Introduction to Argumentation 3
COMS 045 Small Group Communication 3

LIST B * – Select 2 courses from LIST A not already taken - or - (minimum 6 units):
COMS 018 Introduction to Communication Studies 3
COMS 035 Intercultural Communication 3
JOURN 021 Mass Media and Society 3

LIST C * – Select 1 course from LIST A or B not already taken - or - (minimum 3 units)
ANTH 063 Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology 3
ENGL 001C Critical Thinking/Composition 3
JOURN 022 News Writing and Reporting for the Media 3
PSYCH 010 General Psychology 3
SOC 010 Introduction to Sociology 3

Total Units for CORE, List A, List B and List C 18

* Consult with a counselor to determine which courses are applicable within the major at the CSU you are planning to transfer to.

AA-T DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS 18
CSU GE OR IGETC PATTERN 37 or 39
TRANSFERABLE ELECTIVES 6 - 18
TOTAL REQUIRED UNITS 60