

Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer Degree:

Program Description

The Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in Journalism or a related major in the California State University (CSU) system. It is accepted by some but not all CSU campuses. Students who complete this degree and transfer to a participating CSU campus will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree. It may not be appropriate preparation for students transferring to a CSU campus that does not accept the degree. Students who plan to complete this degree should consult a counselor for additional information about participating CSU campuses as well as university admission, degree and transfer requirements.

It is strongly recommended that students consult with a counselor to determine which general education option is most appropriate for their individual educational goals.

Award Notes

NOTE: Students intending to transfer into this major at a CSU should consult a counselor and visit www.assist.org for guidance on appropriate coursework.

Additional Notes:

* This course also fulfills general education requirements for the CSU GE or IGETC pattern.

General Education: In addition to the courses listed above, students must complete one of the following general education options:

- The IGETC pattern is accepted by all CSU campuses and most UC campuses and majors. It is also accepted by some private/independent or out-of-state universities.
- The CSU GE pattern is accepted by all CSU campuses and some private/independent or out-of-state universities. It is not accepted by the UC system.

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education option is most appropriate for their individual educational goals.

Electives as needed to meet minimum of 60 CSU-transferable units required for the degree.

The following is required for all AA-T or AS-T degrees:

Completion of 60 CSU-transferable semester units. No more than 60 units are required.

Minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some CSU campuses and majors may require a higher GPA. Please see a counselor for more information.

Completion of a minimum of 18 semester units in "AA-T" or "AS-T" major (see list below). All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Certified completion of the California State University-General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU-GE; see catalog for more information); Or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum pattern (IGETC; see catalog for more information).

Program Goals

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Career Options

Careers related to this field typically require education beyond the associate degree level and some may require a graduate degree.

Courses Required for the Major:		Units
DJRN 100	Mass Media in the Digital Age	3
DJRN 200	Newswriting for Multimedia	3
DJRN 210	News Reporting and Editing for Publication	3

3 units (one course) from the following:

DJRN 205	Community Journalism for Multimedia	3
DJRN 211	Online News Concepts for Publication	3
DJRN 215	Photo Journalism and Documentary Photography	3

6 units (two courses) from the following:

AMSL 115	American Sign Language Level I	4
AMSL 116	American Sign Language Level II	4
ARTF 150B	Beginning Graphic Design	3
COMS 103	Oral Communication	3
COMS 135	Interpersonal Communication	3
COMS 160	Argumentation	3
COMS 170	Small Group Communication	3
ECON 120	Principles of Macroeconomics or	
ECON 121	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ENGL 205	Critical Thinking and Intermediate Composition	3
MATH 119	Elementary Statistics or	
PSYC 258	Behavioral Science Statistics	3
PHOT 100	Intro to Black & White Photography or	
PHOT 105	Introduction to Photography	3
PHOT 102	Directed Photo Lab Studies	1
PHIL 100	Logic and Critical Thinking or	
PHIL 101	Symbolic Logic	3
PHIL 205	Critical Thinking and Writing in Philosophy	3
POLI 101	Introduction to Political Science	3
POLI 102	The American Political System	3
POLI 103	Comparative Politics	3
RTVF 100	Introduction to Electronic Media	3
RTVF 110	Introduction to Scriptwriting	3
RTVF 140	Radio and TV Newswriting	3
RTVF 160	Introduction to Cinema	3

Total Units = 18-20