

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Communication Studies is, generally speaking, the study of human communication. The Associate in Arts in Communication Studies for Transfer degree (AA-T in Communication Studies) program assists students in improving their communication skills and is designed to prepare students for a major in Communication Studies. The course of study promotes understanding, analysis, and effective application of theories related to communication in interpersonal, group, public, organizational, multicultural, and/or mediated contexts. The program prepares students to transfer into the CSU system to pursue a baccalaureate degree in Communication Studies or related major. Students must complete the Associate Degree for Transfer requirements to earn the AA-T degree.

Learning Outcomes: Upon successful completion of the program, students will be able to:

- Critically examine and comprehend human nature and behavior, social traditions, and institutions.
- Analyze and evaluate complex issues or problems, draw reasoned conclusions and/or generate solutions, and effectively communicate their results.

Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree

Associate Degree Major Requirements	Units
REQUIRED CORE:	9
SPCH 1 Public Speaking (3)	
SPCH 2 Small Group Communication (3)	
SPCH 3 Interpersonal Communication (3)	
LIST A: Select two courses from the following:	6
COMM 5 Mass Media Methods (3)	
SPCH 4 Intercultural Communication (3)	
SPCH 5 Oral Interpretation of Literature (3)	
SPCH 10 Introduction to Communication Theory (3)	
LIST B: Select one course from the following or any course from LIST A not already selected:	3
ENGL 2 Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking (3)	
PSYC 1 General Psychology (3)	
SOCI 1 Introduction to Sociology (3)	
TOTAL MAJOR UNITS	18
Associate Degree Requirements (as described above)	18
<i>Complete CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern for a total of 60 transferable units (see pages 72-75 in the 2017-18 MPC Catalog).</i>	
TOTAL DEGREE UNITS	60