JOURNALISM, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)

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Financial Aid Eligible

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Senate Bill 1440, now codified in California Education Code sections 66746-66749) guarantees admission to a California State University (CSU) campus for any community college student who completes an "associate degree for transfer," a newly established variation of the associate degrees traditionally offered at a California community college. The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing these degrees (AA-T or AS-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a [articular campus or major. In order to earn one of these degrees, students must complete a minimum of 60 required semester units of CSU-transferable coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Students transferring to a CSU campus that does not accept the AA-T or AS-T will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree (unless the major is a designated "high unit" major). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete the degree for more information on university admissions and transfer requirements

Program Outcomes

1. Analyze a complete news product and understand why stories were chosen for inclusion.
2. Find and pitch both news and feature stories.
3. Conduct numerous interviews to obtain factual information.
4. Write a complete story using proper structure, style and grammar, and have the story published.
5. Assess their own strengths, weaknesses, and omissions in writing news and feature stories or taking photographs for publication and be able to adjust future performance in light of their self-assessments.
6. Collaborate in developing, designing, and completing a multi-media project and post it to the web.

Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements

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

1. Minimum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units.
2. Minimum GPA of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework. While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some majors require a higher GPA. Consult with a counselor for more information.
3. Completion of a minimum of 18-semester units in the major as detailed in the Degree and Certificate section of this catalog. All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of C (or "P") or better.
4. Certified completion of the Cal-GETC/Breadth.
5. A minimum of 12 units in residence within the Coast Colleges (Orange Coast College, Golden West College and/or Coastline College).

Course	Title	Units
Required Courses		
CMST A180	Introduction to Mass Communications	3
JOUR A110	News Writing and Reporting	3
JOUR A115	Student Newspaper I	4
List A - Select one course from the following:		**3**
JOUR A116	Multi-Media Reporting and Producing	
JOUR/ENGL A117	Feature Writing	
JOUR A185	Photojournalism	
CMST/BUS A185	Public Relations	
List B - Select two of the following or not taken from List A:		*6-8*
STAT C1000	Introduction to Statistics	
or PSYC A160	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	
CMST A220	Essentials of Argumentation	
ECON A170/A170H	Microeconomics	
or ECON A175/A175H	Macroeconomics	
ENGL A102/A102H	Critical Thinking and Writing	
or ENGL A109	Critical Reasoning and Writing for Science and Technology	
ETHS A100	Contemporary Ethnic America	
HIST A170/A170H	History of the United States to 1876	
HIST A175/A175H	History of the United States Since 1876	
PHIL A155	Introduction to Logic	
or PHIL/MATH A220	Introduction to Symbolic Logic	
PHOT A110	Photography with a Smartphone: Theory and Practice	
PHOT A123	Introduction to Digital Photography	
POLS A180/A180H	American Government and Politics	
PSCI A185	Comparative Politics	
Total Major Units		*19-21*
California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) [1]		*up to 34*
Transferable electives as needed to satisfy unit requirement		*Varies*
Total Degree Units		**60**

[1] Some program major units may also meet GE requirements.

Program Sequence - Cal-GETC

These sequences at Orange Coast College are general course curriculum maps for students to finish all major and general education requirements for two-year completion of degrees, and/or fulfillment of transfer requirements. The course sequence may include course prerequisites and other placement requirements. **Students are advised to meet with an Orange Coast College Counselor to review course selections**

and sequences to ensure that completion of this program will meet a student's transfer and career goals.

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
Semester 1		
JOUR A110	News Writing and Reporting	3
JOUR A115	Student Newspaper I	4
Cal-GETC GE AREA 1A- CHOOSE ONE		3
Cal-GETC GE AREA 2- CHOOSE ONE		3-4
	Units	**13-14**
Semester 2		
CMST A180	Introduction to Mass Communications	3
POLS C1000 or POLS C1000H	American Government and Politics [1] or American Government and Politics Honors	3
ADT LIST A COURSE - CHOOSE ONE (See Requirements) [2]		3
Cal-GETC GE AREA 1B- CHOOSE ONE		3-4
ELECTIVE (UC/CSU TRANSFERABLE) [3]		3
	Units	**15-16**
Summer		
ELECTIVE (UC/CSU TRANSFERABLE) [3]		3
	Units	**3**
Year 2		
Semester 1		
HIST A170 or HIST A170H or HIST A175 or HIST A175H	History of the United States to 1876 [1] or History of the United States to 1876 Honors or History of the United States Since 1876 or History of the United States Since 1876 Honors	3
Cal-GETC GE AREA 1C- CHOOSE ONE		3
Cal-GETC GE AREA 3A- CHOOSE ONE		3
Cal-GETC GE AREA 5A (no lab)- CHOOSE ONE [4]		3
	Units	**12**
Semester 2		
ADT LIST B COURSE- CHOOSE TWO (See Requirements) [5]		6-8
Cal-GETC GE AREA 5B (with lab)- CHOOSE ONE [4]		4
Cal-GETC GE AREA 6- CHOOSE ONE		3
ELECTIVE (UC/CSU TRANSFERABLE) [3]		4
	Units	**17-19**
	Total Units	**60-64**

[1] American Institutions Requirement - CSU Graduation Requirement; or choose one course from Cal-GETC Area 4. This recommended selection also fulfills one of two List B selections.

[2] ADT List A courses are only CSU transferable. If planning on transferring to UC, 60 transferable total units are required.

[3] VARIES TO REACH MINIMUM 60 TRANSFERABLE UNITS. Not all courses are UC transferable. Please check with your counselor to ensure you have enough transferable units for your transfer goal.

[4] Lab can be taken with 5A or 5B.

[5] If List B Requirements have been met by Cal-GETC GE Area selections, take elective units to meet minimum 60 transferable units.