

## REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER (A.A.-T.) OR ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER (A.S.-T.)



California Community Colleges offer Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) to the CSU. These include Associate in Arts (AA-T) or Associate in Science (AS-T) degrees. These are designed to provide a clear pathway to a CSU major and baccalaureate degree. California Community College Students who are awarded an AA-T or AS-T degree are guaranteed priority admission with junior standing to a CSU campus in a program that is deemed "similar" to their community college major. The student is not guaranteed admission to a particular campus or major. Students who have been awarded an AA-T or AS-T are able to complete their remaining requirements for a 120-unit baccalaureate degree at a CSU campus within 60 semester or 90 quarter units.

Santa Ana College offers numerous AA-T and AS-T degrees. To find out which CSU campuses accept each degree, please meet with a SAC counselor or visit [www.icangotocollege.com](http://www.icangotocollege.com). **An AA-T or AS-T degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus, or to a university that is not part of the CSU system.** Current and prospective community college students are encouraged to meet with a counselor to review their options for transfer and to develop an educational plan that best meets their goals and needs.

Other four-year universities participating in the ADT program include Historically Black Colleges and Universities, fully online and out-of-state universities and independent colleges and universities in California. A complete list can be found here: <https://www.cccco.edu/Students/Transfer/participating-ca-independent-non-profit-universities> Consult with a SAC counselor and review each campus website for their participation details.



### Requirements

Student completion requirements for the associate degree for transfer:

1. 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU transferable units. At least 12 of the units must be earned at Santa Ana College.
2. The California State University General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE Breadth); OR the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern.  
Note: The ADT can be awarded to students completing the UC version of IGETC, but completion of this pattern will not satisfy CSU admission requirements.  
Students pursuing an ADT in Chemistry or Biology, must complete CSU GE for STEM or IGETC for STEM as specified in the SAC catalog.
3. A minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district (see Instructional Programs portion of the catalog).
4. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0. (Some majors may require a higher GPA)
5. Earn a grade of C or better (C minus is not acceptable) or Pass in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

### Santa Ana College currently offers the following Associate in Arts and Associate in Science for Transfer degrees:

- Administration of Justice
- Anthropology
- Art History
- Biology
- Business Administration 2.0
- Chemistry
- Communication Studies
- Computer Science
- Early Childhood Education
- Economics
- Elementary Teacher Education
- English
- Film, Television and Electronic Media
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Hospitality Management
- Journalism
- Kinesiology
- Law, Public Policy, and Society
- Mathematics
- Music
- Nutrition
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Health Science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Studio Arts
- Theatre Arts

### Course Substitutions and Reciprocity, Policy and Procedures

Students who have completed courses at another California community college, a regionally accredited institution and/or completed an external exam such as AP, CLEP, or IB may apply the coursework or exam results toward AA-T/AS-T major requirements as follows:

1. A course with a C-ID designation which is completed at another California community college will be substituted for a SAC course that meets an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) major requirement designated with the same C-ID number. SAC departmental approval is not required.
2. A course without a C-ID designation which is completed at a regionally accredited institution, other than a California community college, will be reviewed by SAC discipline faculty. Course-to-course substitution will be granted based on discipline faculty determination of comparability to a SAC course with the approved C-ID designation for the given ADT. Course-to-course substitution will be granted in accordance with the state-wide C-ID descriptor when the SAC course does not have an approved C-ID designation, but a statewide C-ID descriptor exists. When no such descriptor exists, course substitution will be based on discipline faculty determination of comparability to a SAC course included on the ADT.
3. Students who have completed an external examination such as AP, CLEP, and IB are granted course credit toward ADT major requirements as listed in the SAC catalog. (Students should be aware that AP credit may be awarded/counted differently by the transfer institution.)
4. A course completed at another California community college that is approved as part of an associate degree for transfer will be applied to the corresponding Santa Ana College Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) in the corresponding SAC ADT area. Courses completed at other California community colleges must be part of the ADT at the time the student completed the course. Courses completed at other CCCs prior to ADT approval will be "grandfathered".
5. A course with a C-ID designation which is completed at another California Community College, but does not meet an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) major requirement at the college where completed or match a SAC C-ID number, can be applied to the ADT if the C-ID number is included in the statewide Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) template. The course will be applied to the degree based on the location of the C-ID number on the TMC. SAC departmental approval is not required.



**Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer 2022-2023**

The Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer prepares students to move into the CSU system leading to a baccalaureate degree in Journalism, and then into careers in daily reporting, media editing, writing, Web-based multimedia reporting, visual reporting, photography, print and digital design, public relations, advertising, radio, digital media, and television writing and production. Completion of the degree also provides guaranteed admission with junior status to the CSU system, although not to a particular campus or major. Upon completion of the AA-T in Journalism, students will be able to define and execute newsgathering strategies; write articles under deadline; edit their own and others' articles for proper spelling, grammar and AP Style; define relevant news content; gather news information weekly; and assess legal and ethical media issues at the final level of a traditional lower division Journalism sequence.

**Learning Outcome(s):**

1. Students will apply the basic principles of journalism such as accuracy, fairness, and public service.
2. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the history and role of professionals and institutions in shaping communications and be able to discuss the legal and ethical underpinnings of USMass Media.
3. Students will conduct research for news stories using a variety of sources and evaluate the accuracy of information sources.

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Units</b>
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<b>Required Core: (10 units)</b>	
Communications & Media Studies 105, Mass Media and Society — OR — Communications & Media Studies 105H, Honors Mass Media and Society	<b>3</b>
Communications & Media Studies 121, Introduction to Reporting and Newswriting	<b>3</b>
Communications & Media Studies 123A, News Media Production	<b>4</b>

<b>List A: Select one course from the following: (3-4 units)</b>	<b>3-4</b>
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Communications & Media Studies 103, Introduction to Visual Communications (3)	
Communications & Media Studies 123B, Intermediate News Media Production (4)	
Communications & Media Studies 160, Introduction to Photojournalism (3)	
Communications & Media Studies 210, Intermediate Reporting and Newswriting (3)	

<b>List B: Select two courses from the following: (6-8 units)</b>	<b>6-8</b>
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Communications & Media Studies 111, Media, Race and Gender (3)	
Communications & Media Studies 298A, Designing for Print and Digital Media (3)	
Counseling 144, Reasoning and Problem Solving (3) —OR —	
Reading 150, Critical Reading (3) —OR —	
Philosophy 110, Critical Thinking (4) —OR —	
Philosophy 110H, Honors Critical Thinking (4)	
Economics 120, Principles/Macro (3) —OR —	
Economics 121, Principles/Micro (3)	
English 102, Literature and Composition (4) —OR —	
English 102H, Honors Literature and Composition (4) —OR —	
English 103, Critical Thinking and Writing (4) —OR —	
English 103H, Honors Critical Thinking and Writing (4)	
Mathematics 219, Statistics and Probability (4) —OR —	
Mathematics 219H, Honors Statistics and Probability (4)	
Philosophy 111, Introductory Logic (4)	
Photography 180, Beginning Photography (3)	
Political Science 101, Introduction to American Governments (3) —OR —	
Political Science 101H, Honors Introduction to American Governments (3)	
Political Science 201, Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)	

**Total Units 19-22**