

# A GUIDE TO CSM AA/AS-T DEGREES & REQUIREMENTS

ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER MAJOR	AVAILABLE AT CSM BEGINNING
Administration of Justice – AS-T	2012-2013
Anthropology – AA-T	2016-2017
Art History – AA-T	2015-2016
Art, Studio – AA-T	2012-2013
Biology – AS-T	2016-2017
Business Administration – AS-T	2012-2013
Communication Studies – AA-T	2011-2012
Economics – AA-T	2015-2016
English – AA-T	2013-2014
Film, Television and Electronic Media-AA-T	2016-2017
Geology – AS-T	2012-2013
History – AA-T	2012-2013
Kinesiology – AA-T	2012-2013
Mathematics – AS-T	2011-2012
Music – AA-T	2015-2016
Nutrition and Dietetics – AS-T	2016-2017
Philosophy – AA-T	2017-2018 <i>new</i>
Physics – AS-T	2012-2013
Political Science – AA – T	2017-2018 <i>new</i>
Psychology – AA-T	2012-2013
Sociology – AA-T	2011-2012

Always use the College Catalog as your resource to confirm degree major course requirements. Associate Degrees for Transfer receive approval from the State throughout the year so check with Transfer Services for updates.

# SB 1440 – ASSOCIATE DEGREES FOR TRANSFER (AA/AS-T)

(Resources: [www.sb1440.org](http://www.sb1440.org) and [www.adegreewithaguarantee.com/](http://www.adegreewithaguarantee.com/) and [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu) )

**SB 1440 – The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act** signed into legislation on September 29, 2010, enables the California Community Colleges and California State University to collaborate on the creation of ASSOCIATES DEGREES FOR TRANSFER (AA/AS-Ts). These unique associate degrees allow students to prepare for transfer and complete an associate degree via this transfer preparation. Although the ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER does not guarantee a student admission to ALL California State University campuses and ALL majors it does secure priority admission consideration. The unique aspects of an associate degree for transfer are

1. The student completes the AA/AS – T major requirements and completes either the CSU GE or IGETC for CSU certification to achieve the associate degree and receive transfer priority benefits.
2. The student DOES NOT need to complete any other “local” associate degree requirements. Or, said a different way, the student doesn’t follow the “regular” associate degree general education requirements.
3. Courses that are applied to the major may also be applied, if applicable, to the CSU GE requirements. “Double dipping” GE and major courses is encouraged.
4. A student must complete only 60 CSU transferable units. This includes the CSU GE or IGETC and major requirements and any transferable electives needed to meet the 60 unit requirement.
5. When accepted into a similar major at a CSU (“similar” is defined by the CSU campus), the student need only complete an additional selected 60 units of coursework at the CSU to complete the bachelor’s degree! 60 + 60 = BA or BS degree! The CSU refers to this pathway and degree progress as STAR DEGREES.

**An AA/AS – T works especially well for the following students who:**

- WANT TO EARN AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND PREPARE FOR TRANSFER WITHOUT EXTRA COURSEWORK!
- ARE APPLYING TO A CSU WITH A “SIMILAR” MAJOR
- ARE APPLYING TO AN IMPACTED CSU CAMPUS OR IMPACTED MAJOR
- ARE APPLYING TO A NON-LOCAL CSU
- ARE APPLYING TO A CSU WHICH HAS NO OR LIMITED ARTICULATION WITH YOUR COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **C-ID COURSES**

Courses with C-ID course designations articulate with any other California community college course with the same C-ID designation.

**The University of California system**, as of a June 14, 2012 system memo, amended SR 476.C to include completion of an approved Associate Degree for Transfer (in a relevant major) from a California Community College as an additional pathway for transfer admissions to UC. Students with an AA/AS-T are guaranteed a comprehensive admissions review.

***Special Note – To enhance a student’s competitiveness and success as a CSU applicant, in addition to completing the requirements for the associate degree for transfer, it is strongly recommended that students utilize [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) to see if there are additional courses suggested or required for a particular major at a specific campus. Some CSU campuses and majors are impacted and highly selective.***

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