

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES FOR TRANSFER DEGREE 2018-2019

Communication Studies is the study of human communication. It includes public speaking, argumentation and persuasion, and interpersonal, intercultural, and small group communication. The importance of communication awareness, training, and skills are essential for successful and fulfilling personal, professional, and academic relationships and activities. Communication skills, theory, and practice are useful in any career including: education, business management, communication management, journalism, law enforcement, mass media and media arts, political science, public policy and administration, social work, public relations, advertising, broadcasting, technology, and finance.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Express and convey message clearly for effective oral communication
- Demonstrate effective listening skills to comprehend spoken messages, analyze information critically, and consider multiple perspectives
- Participate in the civic life of their communities through public address and civic engagement, and advocate for positive change
- Articulate the importance of diversity, differing belief and value systems, as well as individual opinions
- Apply interpersonal skills to create and maintain successful and beneficial social and civic relationships
- Describe communication technology and its impact on human communication practices

Required Core:

COMS 020 Oral Communication 3.0

LIST A: Select two courses 6.0

COMS 010 Interpersonal Communication

COMS 040 Introduction to Argumentation

COMS 045 Small Group Communication

LIST B: Select two courses 6.0

Any course from LIST A not already taken

COMS 035 Intercultural Communication

COMS 018 Introduction to Communication

JOURN 010 Mass Media Communication

LIST C: Select one course 3.0

Any course from LIST A or B not already taken

ANTH 063 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

ENGL 001B English Composition

ENGL 001C Critical Thinking/Composition

JOURN 014 Newswriting and Reporting

PSYCH 001 General Psychology

SOC 010 Introduction to Sociology

Major Requirements 18.0

Completion of CSU GE-Breadth or IGETC for CSU 37.0-39.0

Total units required for the degree 60.0

Students who complete the AA-T in Communication Studies must have the following:

- Completion of 60 CSU transferrable units
- A minimum of at least 2.0 GPA in CSU transferrable courses (*note that a higher GPA may be required in some institutions*)
- Completion of at least 18 units in the major with a grade of "C" or better
- Certified completion of the CSU General Education-Breadth (CSU GE-Breadth) requirements, or completion of the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) requirements

Please Note: No more than 60 units are required for this degree and no additional requirements will be imposed by Evergreen Valley College. *Some GE courses may be double-counted within the major and will reduce the number of units. General electives may be needed to reach 60 units. Please consult with a counselor to determine which courses are applicable.*