

COMMUNICATION STUDIES 2.0 (AA-T DEGREE A0976)

Humanities and Social Sciences Division

Degree A0976

Communication Studies is a broad-based discipline with foundational coursework in oral communication theory and skills development, augmented with course options that add dimension and depth to the student's understanding of the discipline – such as interpersonal, group, organizational, and intercultural communication, argumentation, journalism, forensics, communication research methods.

The Associate in Arts in Communication Studies 2.0 for Transfer degree program requires students to critically analyze information and arguments, select and research an appropriate topic and thesis, and logically organize the supporting material into a well-crafted presentation. Students will employ appropriate verbal and nonverbal delivery skills and visual aids to present a message to an audience in a conversational and confident manner; and formulate communication solutions to problems in a range of contexts. Students will create messages appropriate for diverse audiences and listeners and develop an improved understanding of themselves as communicators.

To earn an Associate in Arts in Communication Studies for Transfer a student must complete 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to the CSU that consist of Cal-GETC and a major of at least 18 units. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework to receive an associate degree for transfer and all courses in the major must be completed with a C or better. A "P" (Pass) grade is also an acceptable grade for courses in the major if the course is taken on a Pass or No Pass basis. Students earning an associate degree for transfer will not be required to complete any other local graduation requirements.

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
Core Courses		6-7
COMM C1000 or COMM C100	Introduction to Public Speaking Introduction to Public Speaking - Honors	
COMM 26 or COMM 26H	Interpersonal Communication Interpersonal Communication - Honors	
List A		9-10
Choose three courses from the following:		
BUSO 25	Business Communications	
COMM 4	Performance of Literature	
COMM 6	Group Communication	
COMM 7 or COMM 7H	Intercultural Communication Intercultural Communication - Honors	
COMM 9	Introduction to Persuasion	
COMM 15	Forensics: Fundamentals of Contest Speech and Debate *	
COMM 20 or COMM 20H	Argumentation and Debate Argumentation and Debate - Honors	
COMM 30 or COMM 30H	Introduction to Communication Theory Introduction to Communication Theory - Honors	
JOUR 100	Introduction to Mass Communications	
PHOT 10	Basic Digital and Film Photography	
POLS C1000 or POLS C100	American Government and Politics American Government and Politics - Honors	

List B

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Choose one course from the following or any course not already used from List A:

ANTH 5 or ANTH 5H	Cultural Anthropology Cultural Anthropology - Honors
COMM 2	Survey of Communication Studies
COMM 3	Voice and Diction
COMM 8 or COMM 8H	Professional and Organizational Speaking Professional and Organizational Speaking - Honors
COMM 16	Forensics: Individual Event Team
COMM 17	Forensics: Debate Team
COMM 18	Forensics: Reader's Theater Team
ENGL C1001 or ENGL C100	Critical Thinking and Writing Academic Reading and Writing - Honors
ENGL 1B or ENGL 1BH	English - Introduction to Literary Types English - Introduction to Literary Types - Honors
JOUR 101	Beginning Writing and Reporting for the Mass Media
PSYC C1000 or PSYC C1000H	Introduction to Psychology Introduction to Psychology - Honors
SOC 1 or SOC 1H	Introduction to Sociology Introduction to Sociology - Honors

Total Units for Major **19-21**

General Education (Cal-GETC) Units ¹ **34**

Total Units **60**

¹ Courses may be double-counted for the major and Cal-GETC. However, courses may not be double-counted to satisfy more than one area of Cal-GETC.

* COMM 15 is a 2 unit repeatable course. This course must be taken twice to be used in List A or List B. Students must still select two additional courses in List A if COMM 15 is taken. COMM 15 can be used in List A or List B but will not double count to meet the course requirements for LIST A and LIST B.