

CERRITOS COLLEGE JOURNALISM (AA-T)

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE IN JOURNALISM FOR TRANSFER

The goals and objectives of the Cerritos College Journalism Program are to prepare majors for an Associate of Arts Degree in Journalism for Transfer and for college work in upper division Journalism or Mass Communications courses at the four-year institution. The Cerritos College Journalism Program also seeks to provide courses that will fulfill part of the general education requirements for other majors. Students who learn the skill sets offered in the Journalism courses will be able to transfer these skills to a variety of career situations that require the ability to gather information, and report findings to other audiences. They will also gain an understanding and appreciation for the rights and responsibilities associated with free speech and expression. The Associate of Arts Degree in Journalism for Transfer will prepare students for seamless transfer to the California State University in the sequences of journalism, mass communications, public relations, or advertising.

REQUIRED CORE (9 Units):			UNITS
JOUR	100	Mass Communications and Society	3
JOUR	101	Beginning Newswriting and Reporting	3
JOUR	107A	News Media Production	3

LIST A: (SELECT ONE) 3 UNITS

JOUR	121	Multimedia Reporting	3
JOUR	157	Principles of Public Relations	3
	or BA 157	Principles of Public Relations	(3)
JOUR	130	Photo Journalism	3
	or PHOT 130	Photo Journalism	(3)
JOUR	107B	Intermediate News Media Production	3

LIST B: (SELECT TWO) 6 UNITS

PHOT	100	Introductory Photography	3
ART	188	Design for Desktop Publishing	3
MATH	112	Elementary Statistics	4
POL	101	American Political Institutions	3
POL	220	Comparative Government	3
ENGL	103	Critical Thinking and Argumentative Writing	3
PHIL	106	Introduction to Logic	3
Any CSU Breadth courses from two different Areas with A-D			

Total Units for the Major 18

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Complete the following (1) 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU-transferable units (2) The California State University-General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth); or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern (3) A minimum of 18 semester or 27 quarter units in the major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district (4) Obtainment of a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (5) Earn a grade of “C” or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

NOTE: Students should avoid accumulating additional journalism units as they complete their AA-T degree (which requires 60 unit). Additional units will create graduation problems at the upper division. Many programs require 80 units outside of journalism for the degree and each CSU may require up to 28 upper division units in the major.