

CERRITOS COLLEGE

Communication Studies 2.0 (AA-T)

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES FOR TRANSFER

Communication Studies majors will learn the dynamics of communication between and among individuals, groups, cultures, and organizations. Communication Studies integrates courses in interpersonal, intercultural, organizational, and rhetorical communication to foster creativity, critical thinking, and communication confidence in diverse environments. Communication Studies majors pursue a variety of careers depending on their interests. Public relations and advertising firms, healthcare organizations, government and educational institutions, entertainment companies, social service groups, and media-based firms are just some examples of organizations having a need for people with highly developed interpersonal and technical communication skills. Some of the current career titles include social media relations, diversity trainer, public information officer, public relations specialist, political consultant, press secretary, labor relations specialist, public opinion researcher, news producer, speechwriter, advertising account executive, media manager, human resources manager, mediator, and special events coordinator. Because of the focus on interpersonal, professional, and intercultural communication skills, this major may also lead to many other careers and advanced degree pursuits such as law and counseling. While meeting the Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Communication Studies requirements, students can satisfy up to four different general education transfer requirements (Oral Communication, Social Science, Humanities, and Critical Thinking) as well as earn a Certificate of Completion (12 units). This degree is for seamless transfer to CSU system.

REQUIRED CORE: (6 units)

		UNITS
COMM 120	Interpersonal Communication	3
COMM 130	Public Speaking	3

LIST A - Select Three (9 units)

COMM 100	Introduction to Communication Studies	3
COMM 103	Argumentation, Persuasion, and Critical Thinking	3
COMM 110	Intercultural Communication	3
COMM 115	Gender Communication and the Digital Revolution	3
<i>or</i> WGS 115	Gender Communication and the Digital Revolution	(3)
COMM 125	Organizational Communication	3
COMM 132	Small Group Communication	3
COMM 140	Oral Interpretation of Literature	3
*COMM 231	Forensics Activity 1(Competitive Speech and Debate)	1
*COMM 232	Forensics Activity 2 (Competitive Speech and Debate)	2
*COMM 233	Forensics Activity 3 (Competitive Speech and Debate)	3

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LIST B - Select One (3 units)

Any List A course not already used

COMM 145	Storytelling	3
COMM 200	Contemporary Topics	3
JOUR 100	Mass Communication and Society	3
ANTH 100	Cultural Anthropology	3
PSYC 101	General Introductory Psychology	3
SOC 101	Introductory Sociology Principles	3
ENGL 102	Introduction to Literature	3
JOUR 101	Introduction to Reporting and Newswriting	3

** Up to 3 forensics units may be used toward the Associate in Arts Degree in Communication Studies for Transfer (AA-T)*

Total Units for the Major 18

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE IN COMMUNICATION STUDIES FOR TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS:

1. Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of degree-applicable courses,
2. Minimum overall grade point average of 2.0,
3. Minimum grade of “C” (or “P”) for each course in the major, and
4. Completion of IGETC and/or CSU-GE-Breadth.

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