

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

ENGLISH ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)

About the Program

The Associate in Arts in English for Transfer (AA-T) provides major preparation in English through an introduction to English composition, critical thinking, literature, and creative writing. Like the Associate in Arts in English (AA), the coursework will prepare students for the critical reading and writing necessary in a variety of fields. However, the intent of the Associate in Arts in English for Transfer (AA-T) is to assist students in transferring into the California State University System. Students completing the Associate in Arts in English for Transfer (AA-T) degree receive a guarantee of admission with junior status into the California State University System. CSU is required to grant priority admission for a student with this associate degree to their [CSU] campus and to a program or major that is similar to their community college major or area of emphasis, as determined by the [CSU] campus to which the student is admitted." As such, the courses required for the Associate in Arts in English for Transfer (AA-T) are more narrowly focused on English courses and preparation for the English Baccalaureate degree whereas the courses allowed for the Associate in Arts in English (AA) cover a broader, interdisciplinary range and provide more general preparation in reading, writing, critical thinking, humanities, and creative expression.

Program Goals and Objectives

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Career Opportunities

Students who achieve competence in these areas will be valuable additions to California's workforce, consistent with the mission of the California Community Colleges. English majors go into a variety of fields, including law, education, publishing, business, government, information architecture, writing, nonprofit, development and fundraising, and many more.

Program Outcomes

- Upon completion of the AA-T in English, students are able to analyze an author's use of literary techniques to develop a theme.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in English, students are able to identify and evaluate implied arguments in college-level literary texts.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in English, students are able to recognize, appreciate, and compare the similarities and differences between authors, characters and self that stem from historical era and cultural tradition.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in English, students are able to use grammar, vocabulary, and style appropriate for academic essays.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in English, students are able to write a research paper using credible sources and correct documentation.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in English, students are able to write an academic essay synthesizing multiple texts and using logic to support a thesis.

Completion Requirements:

1. Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or CA State University General Education – Breadth Requirements.
 - b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT's) also require that students must earn a "C " (or "P") or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

Required Core: (6 Units)

ENG 4 Critical Thinking and Writing about Literature.....	3
ENG 7 Critical Thinking and Writing Across Disciplines.....	3

List A: (6 Units)

ENG 35 Modern American Literature.....	3
ENG 41 Modern World Literature.....	3

List B: Select One (3 Units)

ENG 11 Introduction to Creative Writing.....	3
ENG 20 Studies in Shakespeare.....	3
ENG 32 U.S. Women's Literature.....	3
ENG 42 Literature of the African Diaspora in America.....	3
ENG 44 Literature of the American West.....	3
ENG 45 Studies in Fiction.....	3

List C: Select One (3 Units)

ENG 12A Craft of Writing Fiction.....	3
ENG 12B Craft of Writing Fiction: Intermediate.....	3
ENG 12C Craft of Writing Fiction: Advanced.....	3
ENG 13A The Craft of Writing Poetry: Beginning.....	3
ENG 13B The Craft of Writing Poetry: Intermediate.....	3
ENG 19A Journal of Arts, Literature, and Academic Writing A or	3
JAMS 19A Journal of Arts, Literature, and Academic Writing A.....	3
ENG 19B Journal of Arts, Literature, and Academic Writing B or	3
JAMS 19B Journal of Arts, Literature, and Academic Writing B.....	3

Total Units for the Major	18
Additional General Education and Electives	42