

# DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, AND TRANSFER PREPARATION INFORMATION

## SPANISH

The Associate in Arts in Spanish for Transfer (AA-T) prepares students to interact with the Spanish-speaking world by providing them with a foundation in the language, history, arts, culture, and literatures of the different countries that comprise it. As students complete this program, they acquire knowledge and skills that are applicable to diverse areas of study in the liberal arts, as well as preparation for various professions that provide services or products for Spanish-speakers.

Upon completion of the Associate in Arts in Spanish for Transfer (AA-T), students will have a strong academic foundation in the field and be prepared for upper division baccalaureate study. Completion of the degree indicates that the student will have satisfied the lower division requirements for transfer into Spanish or similar majors for many campuses in the California State University system.

### Programs Offered

- Transfer Preparation

### Degree

- Spanish Associate Degree for Transfer
- See also Modern Languages

### Associate Degree in Spanish for Transfer to the CSU

The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) is designed to facilitate transfer admission to a CSU in a similar major. If you are considering transfer to a UC, private, or out-of-state school, consult a counselor regarding the transfer requirements of that institution.

Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements:

- completion of at least 60 CSU-transferable semester including:
  - completion of the Area of Emphasis with a grade of C or higher in each course or with a P if the course was taken on a Pass/No Pass basis, and the P is equal to a C or higher (Title 5 §55063)
  - completion of either CSU GE or IGETC; students transferring to CSU using IGETC must complete Area 1C (see [www.smc.edu/articulation](http://www.smc.edu/articulation) or visit the General Counseling and Transfer Services Center)
  - a minimum of 12 degree applicable semester units completed at SMC
  - a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable units

**Note:** while a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for admission to a CSU, some majors/campuses may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for details.

### Catalog Rights

A student may satisfy the requirements of a degree that were in effect at any time of the student's **continuous** enrollment. Continuous enrollment means attendance in at least one semester (Fall or Spring) in each academic year.

### Transfer Preparation

Many colleges/universities offer baccalaureate degrees in this field. Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete the lower-division major requirements and the general education pattern for the specific transfer institution. SMC has articulation agreements with the many UC and CSU campuses, as well as several private and out-of-state institutions.

Exact major requirements for UC and CSU campuses can be found online at [assist.org](http://assist.org).

A listing of private, nonprofit California colleges and universities can be found online at [aiccu.edu](http://aiccu.edu). For articulation agreements between SMC and some of these institutions see [smc.edu/articulation](http://smc.edu/articulation).

Students completing this degree are eligible for priority transfer admission consideration in the majors at many California State University campuses. In addition, students will be required to complete no more than 60 semester/90 quarter CSU units of coursework after transfer to complete the baccalaureate degree.

**NOTE:** Students considering transfer to a UC, private, or out-of-state school should consult a counselor BEFORE applying to transfer, as the transfer requirements may be different from those required for the Spanish AA-T.

The most current list of CSU campuses accepting this Associate Degree for Transfer is available online at [calstate.calstate.edu/transfer/ad-search/search.shtml](http://calstate.calstate.edu/transfer/ad-search/search.shtml)

## Spanish, Associate Degree for Transfer

**Program Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of the program, students will demonstrate the ability to speak, understand, read, and write the Spanish language. As evidenced by written and oral communication, students will demonstrate a general understanding of the diverse cultures of Spanish-speaking countries, as well as Spanish and Latin American civilizations from ancient times to the modern era. In addition, students will demonstrate critical thinking abilities by examining issues that pertain to the diverse manifestations of Spanish language and culture throughout the world.

SPAN 2, Elementary Spanish II (5)

**or**

SPAN 11, Spanish for Heritage Speakers I (5)

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SPAN 3, Intermediate Spanish (5)

**or**

SPAN 12, Spanish for Native Speakers 2 (5)

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SPAN 4, Intermediate Spanish II (5)

If student “places out” of any of the above levels of Spanish, the following courses may be substituted: (up to 10 units)

Spanish Literature and Culture Advanced Placement (AP) Exam score of 3 or higher, (5)

ANTHRO 2, Cultural Anthropology (3)

ANTHRO 7, Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology (3)

ANTHRO 14, Sex, Gender, and Culture (3)

ANTHRO 21, Peoples and Power in Latin America (3)

COM ST 35, Interpersonal Communication (3)

COM ST 37, Intercultural Communication (3)

ENGL 2, Critical Analysis and Intermediate Composition (3)

ENGL 31, Advanced Composition (3)

ENGL 53, Latino Literature in the United States (3)

ENGL 57, Latin-American Literature (3)

ENGL 58, Literature of Mexico (3)

FRENCH 1, Elementary French I (5)

FRENCH 2, Elementary French II (5)  
 FRENCH 3, Intermediate French I (5)  
 FRENCH 4, Intermediate French II (5)  
 GEOG 2, Introduction to Human Geography (3)  
 HIST 5, History of Latin America 1 (3)  
 HIST 6, History of Latin America 2 (3)  
 HIST 19, History of Mexico (3)  
 HIST 42, The Latina/o Experience in the United States (3)  
 HIST 43, Mexican-American History (3)  
 HIST 47, The Practice of History (3)  
 ITAL 1, Elementary Italian I (5)  
 ITAL 2, Elementary Italian II (5)  
 ITAL 3, Intermediate Italian I (5)  
 MEDIA 46, Television Production (3)  
 PORTGS 1, Elementary Portuguese 1 (5)  
 SOCIOL 1, Introduction to Sociology (3)  
 SOCIOL 1s, Introduction to Sociology – Service Learning (3)  
 SOCIOL 31, Latinas/os in Contemporary Society (3)  
 SOCIOL 33, Sociology of Sex and Gender (3)  
 SOCIOL 34, Racial and Ethnic Relations in American Society (3)  
 SPAN 8, Conversational Spanish (2)  
 SPAN 9, The Civilization of Spain (3)  
 SPAN 20, Latin American Civilization (3)

**Restricted Electives: Select 1 of the following courses if not used above: (3 units minimum)**

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