

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, AND TRANSFER PREPARATION INFORMATION

SOCIOLOGY

The Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer (AA-T) involves the scientific study of society, social institutions and social relationships. The course of study provides students the opportunity to acquire skills in research, information gathering, analytical and critical thinking, problem solving, and written and verbal communication.

Upon completion of the Associate in Arts in Sociology 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 a Sociology program for many campuses in the California State University system.

For additional career possibilities, visit the Career Services Center on the main campus to utilize computerized career information systems and other valuable career resources.

Programs Offered

- Transfer Preparation
- See also Liberal Arts – Social and Behavioral Science

Degrees

- Sociology Associate Degree for Transfer

Associate Degree Requirements

An Associate degree is granted upon successful completion of a program of study with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (C) in degree applicable coursework and a minimum of **60 degree applicable semester units**, 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;
- Completion of one of the following general education patterns: SMC GE, CSU GE, or IGETC;
- Completion of the SMC Global Citizenship graduation requirement.

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.

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

The **University of California system has a transfer pathway** for any UC campus that offers Sociology. For more information, visit pathwaysguide.universityofcalifornia.edu.

SMC offers the **Sociology Associate Degree for Transfer**. Students completing this degree are eligible for priority transfer admission consideration in the majors at the **California State University** campuses listed below. In addition, you will be required to complete no more than 60 semester/90 quarter CSU units of coursework after transfer to complete your baccalaureate degree.

NOTE: If you are considering transfer to a UC, private, or out-of-state school, please consult a counselor before applying to transfer, as the transfer requirements may be different from those required for the Sociology AA-T.

For the most current list of CSU campuses accepting this Transfer degree visit calstate.edu/transfer/ad-search/search.shtml.

Sociology, Associate Degree for Transfer

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

Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements:

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

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.

Program Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of the program, students will demonstrate, through written and oral academic work, critical examination of the influence of social forces on groups and individuals as well as the impact of groups and individuals on society. Students will be able to identify, apply and critique the use of the scientific method as it relates to the study of society.

Area of Emphasis: (18 units)

Required Introduction Courses: (3 units)

SOCIOL 1, Introduction to Sociology (3)

or

SOCIOL 1s, Introduction to Sociology – Service Learning (3)

Required Core Courses: Select 2 courses from the following : (6 units)

MATH 54, Elementary Statistics (4)

SOCIOL 2, Social Problems (3)

or

SOCIOL 2s, Social Problems – Service Learning (3)

SOCIOL 4, Sociological Analysis (3)

List A Electives: Select 2 courses from the following : (6 units)

Any course not used above

PSYCH 13, Social Psychology (3)

SOCIOL 12, Sociology of the Family (3)

SOCIOL 33, Sociology of Sex and Gender (3)

SOCIOL 34, Racial and Ethnic Relations in American Society (3)

List B Electives: Select 1 course from the following: (3 units)

Any course not used above

Any course which satisfies CSU GE Area D

BUS 5, Business Law and the Legal Environment (3)

BUS 6, Advanced Business Law (3)

ENGL 2, Critical Analysis and Intermediate Composition (3)

HIST 47, The Practice of History (3)

PHILOS 7, Logic and Critical Thinking ()

PHILOS 9, Symbolic Logic (3)

SOCIOL 30, African Americans in Contemporary Society (3)

SOCIOL 31, Latinas/os in Contemporary Society (3)

SOCIOL 32, Asian Americans in Contemporary Society (3)