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Program Description

The Associate in Arts Degree in University Studies is designed for students who wish a broad knowledge of arts and sciences plus additional coursework in an area of academic interest. With proper planning, students will complete lower division major preparation and general education for transfer while simultaneously completing the University Studies Associate Degree. This major is an ideal choice for students planning to transfer to the University of California (UC), the California State University (CSU), or any other baccalaureate-granting college or university.

Students are encouraged to develop a transfer plan in consultation with a counselor and to refer to www.as-sist.org for current articulation of Solano Community College and university courses.

- Choose either Solano Community College Option B or C for the General Education pattern related to your educational goal.
- For both options: complete a Cross Cultural Studies Graduation Requirement.
- Complete at least 18 units in on Area of Emphasis from those listed below.
- Choose electives if necessary to complete the 60 units required for the Associate Degree.
- All courses for this major must be completed with a grade of C or better or a P if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

General Education Units

I. Option B: IGETC Minimum 34 semester units

Complete units necessary to meet full IGETC certification requirements.

II. Option C: CSU/GE/Breadth Pattern Minimum 39 semester units

Complete units necessary to meet full CSU/GE-Breadth certification requirements.

Areas of Emphasis

- 18 units required from one Area of Emphasis: Arts and Humanities, Communication, Science and Quantitative Reasoning, Social Science or Liberal Studies for Education.
- Where appropriate, courses in the Area of Emphasis may also be counted for GE.
- Courses numbered 1-49 transfer to UC, CSU and most independent and out-of-state colleges and universities. Courses numbered 50-99 transfer to CSU and some independent and out-of-state colleges and universities. Courses numbered 100-199 are associate degree applicable but usually do not transfer to baccalaureate-granting institutions.

Program Outcomes:

Students completing the University Studies Associate Degree will be able to:

1. Develop a pattern of thinking and a knowledge base consistent with the scholarship required to pursue further study in a major at a university.
2. Discover the nature and common themes of the disciplines represented by an area of emphasis
3. Examine the relationship between personal perspective and evidence-based evaluation of information.

Arts and Humanities

These courses emphasize the study of cultural, literary and humanistic activities and the artistic expression of human beings. Students will evaluate and interpret the ways in which people through the ages in different cultures have responded to each other and the world around them through artistic and cultural creation.

Majors at a 4-year institution appropriate for this Area of Emphasis include but are not limited to: Classical Civilization, Design, Dramatic Arts, Film Studies, Literature, Music, and Philosophy.

REQUIRED COURSES

Minimum six units from ARTS

Minimum six units from HUMANITIES

*Maximum three units from studio/performance courses

Total units Minimum of 18

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ARTS (select at least 6 units)

ART 001, 002, 003, 010, 011, 012

ART Studio*: 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 014, 015, 016, 017, 021, 022, 023, 026, 027, 030B, 031, 032, 033, 034, 038, 039, 040, 041, 042, 043

CINA 010, 011

CINA Performance*: 015

MUSC 001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 007, 008, 013

MUSC Studio*: 027, 028, 029, 030, 041A, 041B

PHOT 035

THEA 006, 010, 011, 013, 048A

THEA Performance*: 001, 002, 003, 020

TV 050

HUMANITIES (select at least 6 units)

COMM 015

ENGL 002, 006, 007, 012, 013, 014, 016, 018, 021, 023, 024, 025, 030, 031, 033, 036, 038, 040, 041, 044, 046, 047

FREN 001, 002, 003, 004, 011, 012, 031, 032

GRMN 001, 002, 003, 004, 011, 012, 031, 032, 033, 034

HIST 002, 003, 004, 005, 010, 017, 018, 028, 029, 030, 031, 037

ITAL 031, 032

LATN 001, 002, 003

PHIL 003, 004

SPAN 001, 002, 003, 004, 011, 012, 025, 031, 032, 033, 034

COMMUNICATION

These courses emphasize the content, understanding and production of verbal and written communication. Students will learn to evaluate and assess communication as a process of human symbolic interaction while developing skills in such areas as reason-ing, organization, accuracy, reading and effective listening.

Majors at a 4-year institution appropriate for this Area of Emphasis include, but are not limited to: Advertising and Public Relations, English, Journalism, Linguistics, Mass Communication, Rhetoric, and Speech.

REQUIRED COURSES

Minimum three units from each of three different disciplines

Total Units Minimum of 18

BUS 092

COMM 001, 002, 006, 008, 010, 012, 015, 060

COUN 062

ENGL 002, 004, 006, 007, 046, 047, 058, 062

FREN 001, 002, 003, 004, 031, 032

GRMN 001, 002, 003, 004, 031, 032, 033, 034

HS 054

ITAL 031, 032

JOUR 001, 002, 011, 060

LATN 001, 002, 003

PHIL 005

SPAN 001, 002, 003, 004, 025, 031, 032, 033, 034

SOCS 030, 051

TV 050, 060, 061

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Liberal Studies with Emphasis on Education

This Area of Emphasis is intended for students who plan to complete a baccalaureate degree and a California Multiple subject Teaching Credential. Most students pursue this credential with the goal of becoming elementary school or special education teachers. This degree is designed to accommodate the differing requirements of the California State University and the University of California campuses that offer majors preparing students for the multiple subject credentials.

REQUIRED COURSES

Minimum three units from each of four different disciplines

Total Units **Minimum of 18 units**

ANTH 002, 007
ART 001, 002, 003, 006, 010, 011, 012, 014, 017, 023, 031, 039
ASTR 010
BIO 003, 004, 005, 012, 014, 015, 016, 019
CDFS 038, 039, 070, 071
CHEM 010
CINA 010, 011
ECON 001
ENGL 012, 016, 030, 031, 032, 033, 034, 035, 036, 037, 038, 040, 041
GEOG 002, 004
GEOL 001, 002
HED 002
HIST 002, 003, 004, 005, 010, 017, 018, 028, 029, 037
HUMN 003
MATH 002, 004, 011, 012
MUSC 005, 007, 008, 013
PHIL 001, 003, 004, 005
PHYS 010
PHSC 012
PLSC 001, 005
PSYC 001, 002, 005, 010, 024
SOC 001, 002, 023, 040
SOCS 022
THEA 001, 010, 011, 013

Science and Quantitative Reasoning

These courses emphasize the natural sciences which examine the physical universe, its life forms and its natural phenomena. Courses in math emphasize the development of mathematical and quantitative reasoning skills beyond the level of intermediate algebra. Students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of the methodologies of science as investigative tools. Students will also examine the influence that the acquisition of scientific knowledge has on the development of the world's civilizations.

Majors at a 4-year institution appropriate for this Area of Emphasis include but are not limited to: Animal Science, Biology, Computer Science, Engineering, Geology, Nursing, and Physics.

Program Outcomes:

Students completing the Associate Degree will:

1. Learn how to write a laboratory report or give an oral presentation
2. Demonstrate analytical and/or conceptual problem solving skills
3. Learn to carry out experiments and critically assess their data. Students will learn the roles of hypotheses, measurement, and analysis in the development of scientific theory as evidenced by laboratory reports.

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REQUIRED COURSES

Minimum six units from Science

Minimum six units from Quantitative Reasoning

*Chemistry courses may be used as either Science or Quantitative reasoning but not in both.

Total Units Minimum of 18

SCIENCE

ANTH 001

ASTR 010, 020, 030, 040

BIO 002, 003, 004, 005, 012, 012L, 014, 015, 016, 018, 019

CHEM* 001, 002, 003, 004, 010, 011, 051

ENGR 017, 030, 045

GEOG 001, 001L

GEOL 001, 002, 005

PHYS 002, 004, 006, 007, 008, 010

PHSC 012

PSYC 002

QUANTITATIVE REASONING

CIS 001, 015, 020, 022, 023, 035

CHEM* 001, 002, 010

DRFT 056

GEOG 010 (GEOL 010)

MATH 002, 004, 011, 012, 020, 021, 022, 023, 030, 031, 040, 051

PSYC 004

SOCIAL SCIENCE

These courses emphasize the perspective, concepts, theories and methodologies of the vast variety of disciplines that comprise study in the Social Sciences. This emphasis examines people and their interactions with each other, within their social and political institutions and as members of the larger society. Course work will explore behavior - sometimes the behavior of an individual, other times the behavior of a system, society, or culture. Topics and discussion will stimulate critical thinking about ways people have thought and acted in response to their upbringing, environment and society.

Majors at a 4-year institution appropriate for this Area of Emphasis include but are not limited to: Anthropology, Child Development, Government, History, Psychology, and Social Work.

REQUIRED COURSES

Minimum three units from each of three different disciplines

Total Units Minimum of 18

ANTH 002, 007

CDFS 038, 039, 040, 050, 052, 053, 070

COMM 012

COUN 055, 058, 062, 083

CJ 001, 002, 011

ECON 001, 002, 010

GEOG 002, 004

HIST 002, 003, 004, 005, 010, 017, 018, 028, 029, 030, 031, 037

HS 051, 054, 053

IR 001

JOUR 011

PLSC 001, 002, 004, 005, 016, 019

PSYC 001, 002, 004, 005, 010, 020, 024, 030, 034

SOC 001, 002, 023, 030, 040

SOCS 022, 023, 025, 027, 030, 051, 053

TV 050