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### Program Description

The Associate in Arts Degree in Liberal Studies is designed to broaden their knowledge, abilities, and skills to create a foundation in the liberal arts. Students gain a broad background in the social and behavioral sciences, humanities, communication, fine and performing arts, mathematics, and the physical and biological sciences. The students are able to complete lower division major preparation and general education for transfer while simultaneously completing the Liberal Studies Associate Degree. This major provides opportunities for students who are exploring degree options and are not yet certain about their specific degree goals at the four-year level.

### Associate in Arts Degree

The Associate in Arts Degree can be obtained by completing the 23-25-unit major, Option B or C general education requirements, and electives. All courses for this major must be completed with a minimum grade of C or a P if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

### Program Outcomes:

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

1. Apply an understanding of how diverse cultural beliefs and social, political and/or historical context impact forms of human expression.
2. Demonstrate quantitative reasoning skills through problem solving.
3. Students will successfully communicate ideas through various forms of expression.

### REQUIRED COURSES ..... Units

COMM 001 Introduction to Public Speaking..... 3

ENGL 001 College Composition ..... 4

ENGL 002 Critical Thinking and Writing

About Literature ..... 4

or

ENGL 004 Critical Thinking and Composition:

Language in Context..... 4

MATH 011 Elementary Statistics ..... 4

or

MATH 012 Mathematical Ideas ..... 3

One course from List A: Social Sciences ..... 3

One course from List B: Health and Science ..... 3-4

One course from List C: Arts and Humanities ..... 3

**Required Major Total Units ..... 23-25**

### List A: Social Sciences (select one course) ..... Units

ANTH 002 Cultural Anthropology ..... 3

GEOG 002 Cultural Geography ..... 3

PLSC 001 Introduction to American Government

and Politics ..... 3

PSYC 001 Introduction to Psychology ..... 3

PSYC 012 Gender ..... 3

SOC 001 Introduction to Sociology ..... 3

SOC 002 Social Issues and Problems ..... 3

SOC 040 Sociology of the Family ..... 3

SOC 075 Introduction to Sociology of Sport ..... 3

### List B: Health and Science (select one course) ..... Units

ASTR 010 General Astronomy ..... 3

BIO 015 Introduction to Biology ..... 4

BIO 016 Introduction to Human Biology ..... 3

KINE 020A Introduction to Kinesiology ..... 3

GEOG 001 Physical Geography ..... 3

GEOL 001 Physical Geology ..... 3

GEOL 005 Geology of California ..... 3

### List C: Arts and Humanities (select one course) ..... Units

ART 001 Art History ..... 3

ART 002 Art History ..... 3

ART 010 Art Appreciation ..... 3

ART 012 Inside/Outside: The Cultures and Identities of

Diverse Visual Artists in the U.S. .... 3

CINA 011 American Cultures in Film ..... 3

HIST 017 History of the United States to 1877 ..... 3

HIST 018 History of the United States from 1865 ..... 3

HIST 028 African American History to 1877 ..... 3

HIST 029 African American History Since 1865 ..... 3

MUSC 008 Music Appreciation ..... 3

MUSC 013 Multicultural Music in America ..... 3

PHIL 003 Introduction to Philosophy ..... 3

PHIL 004 Introduction to Moral Philosophy ..... 3

### CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern units .... 37-39

### Transferable Electives (as needed to reach 60 units) 14-18

**Total Degree Units CSU GE or IGETC ..... 60**

*\*18 units may be double counted toward both the major area of emphasis and CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern. Consult with a counselor for more information on completing this degree.*