

LIBERAL ARTS: COMMUNICATION IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND CRITICAL THINKING

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Liberal Arts: Communication in the English Language and Critical Thinking: Associate in Arts (AA)

The Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts with an emphasis in Communication in the English Language and Critical Thinking provides students the opportunity to develop knowledge and understanding of the form, content, context, and effectiveness of communication. Students will develop proficiency in oral and written communication in English, examining communication from the rhetorical perspective and practicing reasoning and advocacy, organization, and accuracy. Critical thinking skills and self-understanding through these courses provide a framework for lifelong learning in written and oral communication and offers students a breadth of knowledge that could be focused into single discipline degrees as well as applied to an interdisciplinary degree.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Analyze written and oral information effectively.
- Use language as a tool for logical thought, clear and precise expression, and critical evaluation of communication.

Career/Transfer Opportunities:

The program is intended for students who are considering transfer, but have not decided on a major; students who are required to complete a degree for job promotion; or students who may wish to further their education and are considering a major that is interdisciplinary in focus.

To earn this degree, students must meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of 60 degree applicable units with an overall GPA of 2.0.
2. Completion of a minimum of 18 semester units in the major with a grade of C (or P) or better.
3. Completion of the AA/AS Graduation Requirements, CSU GE-B or IGETC.

Core Requirements (18 units):

Complete a minimum of eighteen units from the following

All courses approved for California State University General Education Certification and Certificate of Achievement Requirements (CSU GE-B) Area A.

Must include courses from at least two different disciplines.

Completion of General Education Requirements and electives as needed to reach 60 units.

Total Required Units:

60.0