

SPANISH

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Spanish: Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T)

The Associate in Arts in Spanish for Transfer (AA-T in Spanish) is designed to provide a clear pathway to a CSU institution for students who plan to transfer and complete a CSU major or baccalaureate degree in Spanish. California Community College students who are awarded an Associate in Arts in Spanish for Transfer (AA-T in Spanish) with a completion of 60 semester units/ completion of IGETC and/or CSU GE Breadth are guaranteed admission with junior standing somewhere in the CSU system and given priority admission consideration to their local CSU institution or to a program that is deemed similar to their community college major. This priority does not guarantee admission to specific majors or institutions. The Spanish department offers courses that serve as a basis for broad liberal education, for advanced degrees and further study in languages, linguistics, English Literature, as preparation for a teaching credential, and as supplementary preparation for many professional fields including: emergency services, the legal and medical professions, social work, business, hospitality, information technology, foreign service, public relations, journalism, translation, and interpretation. Training in the Spanish language is widely considered essential preparation for teachers in California's public schools. Upon completing the program the student will acquire a level of competence in Spanish (reading, writing, listening, speaking) that will increase marketability or enhance job performance in professions where knowledge of the Spanish language is necessary or helpful. The student will also be prepared for upper division coursework in Spanish at a four-year university.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Compare and contrast cultural topics such as colonization, geography, nationality, ethnicity, politics, worldviews, and/or socioeconomic disparities within the Spanish-speaking world.
- Express ideas clearly and accurately in writing at the intermediate level of proficiency (at a minimum) consistent with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) guidelines on proficiency in a foreign language through written compositions and essays.
- Demonstrate speaking skills at the intermediate level of proficiency (at a minimum) consistent with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) guidelines on proficiency in a foreign language by completion of an oral interview.
- Demonstrate listening comprehension at the intermediate level of proficiency (at a minimum) consistent with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) guidelines on proficiency in a foreign language by responding appropriately to written and spoken expressions in Spanish.

Core Requirement Courses (16 Units):		Units
SPA 001	First Semester Spanish (Elementary Level)	5.0
SPA 002	Second Semester Spanish (Elementary Level)	5.0
SPA 003	Third Semester Spanish (Intermediate Level)	5.0
SPA 004	Fourth Semester Spanish (Intermediate Level)	5.0

List A. (3 units) Complete One (1) Course:		Units
ANT 003	Cultural Anthropology	3.0
ENG 013	Chicana/o-Latina/o Literature	3.0
HUM 016A	Hispanic Roots & Culture	3.0
SPA 050A	Basic Conversational Spanish and Culture	3.0
SPA 050B	Basic Conversational Spanish and Culture	3.0

Required Units for the Major: 23.0

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

Total Required Units: 60.0

- Demonstrate reading comprehension at the intermediate level of proficiency (at a minimum) consistent with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) guidelines on proficiency in a foreign language by responding appropriately to written questions based on reading passages in Spanish.

Career/Transfer Opportunities:

Spanish is the language of the majority of Western hemisphere countries and is also the fastest growing language in California. For students planning to work in the health industry, Foreign Service, hospitality, education, law or public service, information technology, agriculture, construction, knowledge of Spanish is an invaluable asset. A degree in Spanish is an excellent way to expand career opportunities.

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

1. Completion of the following major courses with grades of C or better.
2. Completion of a maximum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units with a grade point average of at least 2.0; and
3. Certified completion of either the California State University General Education Breadth pattern (CSUGE-B) or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC).