

SPANISH (SPA)

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Associate in Arts in Spanish 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) 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.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Students will demonstrate comprehension by responding appropriately to written and spoken expressions of the target language according to the level of study.
- Students will speak and convey information with accuracy and pronunciation acceptable to native-speakers of the language.
- Students will express ideas clearly and accurately in writing according to the level of study.
- Students will develop and demonstrate ability to value diverse cultural aspects and global awareness.
- Students will customize the mode of communication appropriate to the specific audience.

Career/Transfer Opportunities:

Spanish is the language of the majority of Western hemisphere countries and is also the fastest growing language in California. 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).

Core Curriculum Courses Required:		Units
SPA 001	First Semester Spanish (Elementary Spanish)	5.0
SPA 002	Second Semester Spanish (Elementary Level)	5.0
SPA 003	Third Semester Spanish OR	5.0
SPA 049A	Spanish for Heritage or Native Speakers	3.0
SPA 004	Fourth Semester Spanish	5.0

Select one (1) courses from the following:		Units
SPA 050A	Basic Conversational Spanish and Culture	3.0
SPA 050B	Basic Conversational Spanish and Culture	3.0
HUM 016A	Hispanic Roots & Culture	3.0

Required Units for the Major: 19.0-23.0

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

Total Required Units: 60.0

Note: Completing courses that satisfy CSU's U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals requirement prior to transfer is highly recommended.

