

UNIVERSITY STUDIES: COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE ARTS



The Associate Degree in University Studies with an Area of Emphasis is intended to accommodate the differing requirements of a wide variety of transfer institutions and major options. Because admission and major preparation requirements vary at each four-year transfer institution, courses used to complete this degree should be selected with the assistance of a counselor. The completion of the University Studies Degree does not guarantee acceptance into either a baccalaureate major or a four-year institution.

Requirements

I. California State University (CSU) General Education Breadth

1. Complete CSU General Education Breadth (see Degree Requirements and Transfer Information section).
2. Earn a grade of "C" or better in 30 of the required 39 semester units of general education to include all courses in Area A and the Mathematical/Quantitative Reasoning courses in Area B.
3. Credit earned through external examinations, i.e., AP, will be applied towards general education in accordance with Cuyamaca College policies. Please note: This may be different than how the external exam is used on a CSU certification.
4. Complete a minimum of 18 units in an Area of Emphasis (listed below).
5. Complete a minimum of 60 degree applicable CSU transferable semester units.
6. Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all college course work completed.
7. Meet Cuyamaca College residence requirements for graduation (see Admission Information).

or

II. Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) for CSU or UC

1. Complete IGETC Certification (see Degree Requirements and Transfer Information section).
2. Earn a grade of "C" or better in all IGETC courses.
3. Credit earned through external examinations, i.e., AP, will be applied in accordance with Cuyamaca College policies. Please note: This may be different than how the external exam is used on an IGETC certification.
4. Complete a minimum of 18 units in an Area of Emphasis (listed below).
5. Complete a minimum of 60 degree applicable UC transferable semester units for UC University Studies.
6. Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all college course work completed.

7. Meet Cuyamaca College residence requirements for graduation (see Admission Information).

and

Choose a minimum of 18 units. Students must complete a minimum of three units in Communication and three units in Language Arts. The remaining twelve units may be taken from either category.

While 18 units are required in a specific area to meet the requirements of the degree, it is strongly recommended that as many lower division preparation for the major courses as possible be completed at the community college prior to transfer. Some baccalaureate majors and four-year institutions require a higher GPA than is necessary for the associate degree. Courses that are not UC-transferable will not be used in the UC University Studies Area of Emphasis Degrees. Completion of the University Studies degree does not guarantee admission to a four-year institution.

Courses for the Associate in Arts in University Studies with an Emphasis in Communication and Language Arts focus on the study of how language works to express human ideas and feelings. Students will explore and analyze written and verbal communication methods, as well as develop and advance their oral and written communication skills. Students completing this area may be interested in the following baccalaureate majors: communication, English, foreign language, literature, journalism, and linguistics. .

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate the ability to analyze information and write effectively.
- Organize thoughts and ideas in both oral and written format.
- Communicate effectively with diverse audiences.

Communication

Code	Title	Units
BUS-128	Business Communication ¹	3
COMM-110	Introduction to Mass Communication	3
COMM-120	Interpersonal Communication	3
COMM-122	Public Speaking	3
COMM-123	Advanced Public Speaking	3
COMM-124	Intercultural Communication	3
COMM-137	Critical Thinking in Group Communication	3
COMM-145	Argumentation	3

¹ Course not UC transferable.

Language Arts

Code	Title	Units
ARAM-120	Aramaic I	5
ARAM-121	Aramaic II	5
ARAM-220	Aramaic III	5
ARBC-120	Arabic I	5
ARBC-121	Arabic II	5
ARBC-122	Arabic for the Arabic Speaker I	5
ARBC-123	Arabic for the Arabic Speaker II	5

ARBC-220	Arabic III	5
ARBC-221	Arabic IV	5
ARBC-254	Conversational Iraqi Dialect	3
ARBC-256	Conversational Levantine Dialect ¹	3
ASL-120	American Sign Language I	4
ASL-121	American Sign Language II	4
ASL-220	American Sign Language III	4
ASL-221	American Sign Language IV	4
BUS-128	Business Communication ¹	3
ENGL-122	Introduction to Literature	3
ENGL-124	Advanced Composition: Critical Reasoning and Writing	3
ENGL-126	Creative Writing	3
ENGL-201	Women, Gender, and Sexuality in Literature	3
ENGL-202	Introduction to Film as Literature	3
ENGL-221	British Literature I	3
ENGL-222	British Literature II	3
ENGL-231	American Literature I	3
ENGL-232	American Literature II	3
ENGL-236	Chicana/o Literature	3
ENGL-238	Black Literature	3
ENGL-270	World Literature I	3
ENGL-271	World Literature II	3
ETHN-236	Chicana/o Literature	3
ETHN-238	Black Literature	3
KUMEY-120	Kumeyaay Language I	4
KUMEY-121	Kumeyaay Language II	4
KUMEY-220	Kumeyaay Language III	4
SPAN-120	Spanish I	5
SPAN-121	Spanish II	5
SPAN-220	Spanish III	5
SPAN-221	Spanish IV	5
SPAN-250	Conversational Spanish I	3
SPAN-251	Conversational Spanish II	3

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