



Sociology AA-T FAQs

What is the program?

The Associate Art Degree in Sociology for Transfer (AA-T):

- Guarantees junior status admission to the Sociology major *or a similar major* at a C.S.U. with priority admission to the student's local C.S.U. campus. Student must also complete IGETC or CSU- GE requirements and maintain a 2.0 GPA in major coursework
- Provides foundational coursework in Sociology for students planning to transfer to the University of California

What courses do students need to take in this program?

- SOC. 01: Introduction to Sociology
- Two of the following: MATH 13: Introduction to Statistics, SOC 2: Social Problems, SOC 120: Introduction to Research Methods
- Two of the following: SOC 7: Sociology of Gender, SOC. 5: Minority Groups, SOC. 08: Crime and Deviance, SOC. 13: Sociology of the Family
- One of the following: ANTHR 3: Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology, POSCI 1: Government and Politics in the United States, PSYCH 1A: Introduction to General Psychology, SOC. 18: Sociology of Death and Dying, SOC. 06: Comparative Social Movements Since the 1960s
- The IGETC or CSU-GE general education pattern, plus electives

What are the benefits of this program?

In addition to the CSU transfer guarantees and major preparation students completing the Sociology AA-T will:

- Learn both qualitative and quantitative research methods allowing them to recognize trends and patterns and produce social statistics. These skills have numerous job market applications such as market research, opinion polling, and survey design and implementation
- Learn how to convey ideas skillfully and effectively in writing and presentations
- Practice critical thinking and build analytic skills
- Gain a global perspective by studying the interactions of groups and societies through a global and historical perspective
- Have access to faculty mentors committed to helping students meet their educational and career goals





What educational or career paths exist for students completing this program?

- Transfer to a four year public or private university to complete a BA in sociology
- Students completing a BA in sociology find paid work in the social services professions, organizational administration, management, marketing, non-profit organization advocacy and outreach, research, and public relations among other careers
- Students completing a BA in sociology are also prepared for graduate study in sociology in addition to a wide range of fields including law, business, counseling, education, social work, public health, public welfare and public administration

What other things do students need to know before they start?

- English 1A is strongly recommended as preparation for completing sociology major coursework

Who might be attracted to this program?

- Students who wish to transfer as a Sociology major or into a similar major to a California State University
- Students who wish to transfer into a social sciences major at a University of California
- Students who wish to complete an Associate of Arts degree that focuses on the study of social institutions and social relationships

Whom do students contact for more information about this program?

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