

Berkeley City College

Communication Studies

Overview

College	BCC - Liberal Arts and Social Sciences
Originator	Cora Leighton
Award Type	AA-T Degree

Codes and Dates

State Approval Date	4/01/2013
Curriculum Committee Approval Date	4/18/2013
Board of Trustees Date	5/14/2013
Program Control Number	32530
Top Code	1506.00 - Speech Communication
CIP Code	23.1000: Speech and Rhetorical Studies.

Description

The Associate in Arts in Communication for Transfer Degree is designed to prepare students to complete the baccalaureate degree in communication upon transferring into the CSU system. Communication skills are essential to forming and maintaining personal relationships, acquiring and excelling in a job, and relating to the world around us. Through the study and practice of interpersonal, professional, and intercultural communication skills, students will learn how their perceptions and self-esteem affect their interactions with others. Beyond this, students will improve their abilities to speak, write, and present information effectively, whether in face-to-face interactions or in public or mass-media settings. Students who successfully complete the AA-T in Communication Studies earn specific guarantees for transfer to the CSU system: admission to a CSU with junior status and priority admission to their local CSU campus and to a program or major in communication studies or a similar major. Students transferring to a CSU campus will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree. Students are required to complete 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to a California State University, including both of the following: (1) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education – Breadth Requirements and (2) 18-19 semester units with a grade of C or P or better in the major and an overall minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework. See page XX for a more detailed description of Associate Degrees for Transfer. Students are advised to consult with a Berkeley City College counselor for additional information and to verify transfer requirements.

Career Opportunities

N/A

Program Learning Outcomes

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

1. Use speaking and listening skills to resolve conflict and get their messages across as intended in interpersonal, small group, and organizational dynamics.
 2. Deliver presentations that are clear in content, structure, and delivery.
 3. Research and analyze the influence and impact of mass media and culture on society.
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Degree Requirements:

Complete the following core requirement courses:		Credit Hours: (0 Required)
COMM 005	Persuasion and Critical Thinking	3
COMM 020	Interpersonal Communication Skills	3
COMM 045	Public Speaking	3

List A--Select two of the following courses:

COMM 003	Introduction to Human Communication	3
COMM 004	The Dynamics of Group Discussion	3
COMM 006	Intercultural Communication	3
COMM 019	Survey of Mass Media	3

Credit Hours: (0 Required)**List B--Select one of the following courses:**

ANTHR 003	Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology	3
COMM 010	Gender and Communication	3
ENGL 001B	Composition and Reading	4
ENGL 005	Critical Thinking in Reading and Writing	3
PSYCH 001A	Introduction to General Psychology	3
SOC 001	Introduction to Sociology	3

Credit Hours: (0 Required)**Unit Calculation:**

Total Units Required for the Major	18 - 19
Total units that may be double-counted	9 - 15
General Education (CSU GE or IGETC) Units	37 - 39
Elective (CSU Transferable) Units	11 - 20
Total Degree Units	60

Credit Hours: (60 Required)**TWO-YEAR COURSE SEQUENCE BEGINNING IN THE FALL SEMESTER****Credit Hours:****1st Semester/Fall****Credit Hours:** (0 Required)

COMM 020	Interpersonal Communication Skills	3
General Education and Electives		12
Total Units 1st Semester/Fall		15

2nd Semester/Spring**Credit Hours:** (0 Required)

COMM 006	Intercultural Communication	3
COMM 045	Public Speaking	3
General Education and Electives		9
Total Units 2nd Semester/Spring		15

3rd Semester/Fall**Credit Hours:** (0 Required)

COMM 003	Introduction to Human Communication	3
PSYCH 001A	Introduction to General Psychology	3
General Education and Electives		9
Total Units 3rd Semester/Fall		15

4th Semester/Spring**Credit Hours:** (0 Required)

COMM 005	Persuasion & Critical Thinking	3
General Education and Electives		12
Total Units 4th Semester/Spring		15

Total: 60

