GEOGRAPHY ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)

PROGRAM CODE: 1A32028 Financial Aid Eligible

The Geography Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer (AA-T in Geography) is designed to provide an opportunity for the Geography major to achieve an Associate in Arts Degree in Geography for Transfer (AA-T in Geography) which completes the first and second year requirements for transfer to a four-year public California institution. This program is designed to prepare the student with a fundamental understanding and acquisition of knowledge in the Geography discipline. The curriculum includes courses in Human Geography, Physical Geography/Earth Science, and Earth Technologies, such as Geographic Information Systems, and Global Positioning Sytems. While at least a baccalaureate degree is recommended preparation for those considering professional careers, completion of this curriculum will demonstrate commitment to the field and provide comprehensive preparation for further academic study through upper-division course work. This curriculum specifically prepares the prospective transfer student for upper division coursework in Geography or a similar major at a California State University (CSU) campus. Students should consult a counselor, the Transfer Center and the catalog of the transfer college or university to plan a specific program of study to meet the college or university's requirements. Note: Courses that fulfill major requirements for an Associate Degree for Transfer at Cypress College might not be the same as those required for completing the major at all transfer institutions offering a Baccalaureate Degree. The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Senate Bill 1440, now codified in California Education Code sections 66746-66749) guarantees admission to a California State University (CSU) campus for any community college student who completes an "associate degree for transfer", a newly established variation of the associate degrees traditionally offered at a California community college. The AA-T is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing these degrees (AA-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. Students transferring to a CSU campus that does accept the AA-T will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree (unless the major is designated "high-unit" major). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete the degree for more information on university admission and transfer requirements. The completion of this curriculum will demonstrate commitment to the Geography field and provide comprehensive preparation for upper-division work. To earn an AA-T in Geography students must meet the following requirements: (1) a minimum of 19-20 semester units or 28.5-30 quarter units in the Geography major with a minimum grade of "C"; . A P(Pass) grade is an acceptable grade for a course in the major only if the P is defined to be equivalent to a C or better (2) California State University General Education Breadth requirements (CSU GE Breadth) or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (CSU IGETC); (3) completion of 60 semester or 90 quarter units of CSU transferable coursework; and (4) have an overall GPA of 2.0.

Code	Title	Units
Required Core Courses (7 units):		
GEOG 102 C	Physical Geography	3
GEOG 102LC	Physical Geography - Lab	1
GEOG 160 C	Cultural Geography	3
List A - Select 6-7 un optional if offered):	its from the following; GEOG 202 C is	6-7
GEOG 100 C	World Geography	
or GEOG 100HC	Honors World Geography	
GEOG 130 C	California Geography	
GEOG 230 C	Introduction to GIS	
GEOG 140 C	Weather and Climate	
GEOG 202 C	Field Geography - Physical ¹	1
List B - Select 6 units selected from List A)	from the following of any courses not	6
ANTH 102 C	Cultural Anthropology	3
or ANTH 102HC	Honors Cultural Anthropology	
POSC 230 C	International Relations	3
Total Units		19-20

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