

Liberal Arts and Sciences Emphasis in Communication AA Major - Active

Department: General Education

Approval: December 2015

Effective Semester: Fall 2016

The Liberal Arts and Sciences degree is designed for students who wish to have a broad knowledge of arts and sciences plus additional knowledge in an "Area of Emphasis." This degree can be a good option for students planning to transfer to a university as it provides the flexibility for students to satisfy both general education and lower division major requirements for specific universities while meeting associate degree requirements at the same time. For more detailed information on transfer requirements, students should speak with a counselor and refer to www.ASSIST.org.

The courses in the Communication emphasis cover the content of communication as well as the form and should provide an understanding of the psychological basis and social significance of communication.

Learning Outcomes

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

- Use the principles and application of language toward logical thought.
- Demonstrate clear and precise expression.
- Critically evaluate communications in whatever symbol system the student uses.

Each course used to meet this "area of emphasis" requirement must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher (or "Credit" or "Pass" if the course was taken on a "credit/no credit" or "pass/no pass" basis). Where appropriate, courses in the "area of emphasis" may also be counted for a General Education area.

Assuming students start this AA with transfer-level math and English eligibility, the minimum time for completion is 4 semesters. Completion time will vary based on student preparation and number of units completed per semester.

Courses Required for the Major in Liberal Arts and Sciences Emphasis in Communication AA

Course	Units
Complete 18 units from the following courses:	
CMST 1A - Elements of Public Speaking	3.00
CMST 2 - Introduction to Rhetorical Criticism	3.00
CMST 3 - Argumentation and Debate	3.00
CMST 4 - Group Communication	3.00
CMST 6 - Workplace Communication	3.00
CMST 11 - Basic Public Speaking	3.00
CMST 12 - Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3.00
CMST 20 - Interpersonal Communication	3.00
ENGL 1A - University-Parallel Reading and Composition	4.00
ENGL 1B - Reading, Writing, and Critical Thinking about Literature	3.00
ENGL 1C - Advanced Composition	3.00
ESL 79 - Advanced Speaking and Pronunciation	3.00
PHIL 2 - Morality and Politics	3.00
PHIL 4 - Knowledge and Its Limits	3.00
PHIL 40 - Introduction to Logic: Critical Thinking	3.00
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