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Degree Applicable, Credit Grading Option: OP

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

The Communication Studies program is designed to provide students with fundamental understanding of the principles of speech communication as well as experience in the application of these principles. Participation in these classes develops critical thinking, personal growth, research proficiency, presentation skills, and an understanding of diversity. Classes prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions and entry into careers in which effective communication skills are important, such as teaching, public relations, and law.

The Speech and Debate Team, otherwise known as “Forensics” or “The Talk Hawks” provides students with an intensive focus on enhancing research, writing, and performance skills. Forensics students compete on an intercollegiate basis at tournaments in the areas of Public Speaking, Oral Interpretation, and Debate. Besides traveling to competitions, students in the nationally and internationally renowned program also host a tournament and two Speech Performance nights per year. With this opportunity, students experience accelerated growth in their communication skills and self-esteem. More information can be found at: <http://laspositascollege.edu/CMST/forensics.php>

Programs of Study

Degrees:

- AA-T – Communication Studies

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About the Degree

The Las Positas College Communication Studies program offers courses that lead to an Associate in Communication Studies for Transfer degree. The major requirements for this degree align with the Intersegmental Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) for Communication Studies. Students will have guaranteed admission to a California State University (CSU) campus upon successful completion of the program requirements. Students should talk with a counselor to determine whether or not this degree is the best option for their transfer goals. General education requirements should be selected carefully based on the intended transfer institution. The course work required for the AA-T in Communication Studies provides students with fundamental understanding of the principles of speech communication as well as experience in the

application of these principles. Participation in Communication Studies classes develops critical thinking, personal growth, research abilities, presentation skills, and an understanding of the theories, perspectives, principles, and concepts behind human communication.

Completion Requirements:

1. Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or CA State University General Education – Breadth Requirements.
 - b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT's) also require that students must earn a "C" (or "P") or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

Career Opportunities

The Associate in Communication Studies for Transfer is intended to provide an option for students who plan on completing a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Communication Studies classes enrich students and prepare them for careers where strong communication skills are essential, such as teaching, law, public relations, sales, speech writing, and performance. A degree in Communication Studies can lay an amazingly effective foundation for a wide variety of innovative and communication-oriented careers.

Program Outcomes

- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, students are able to describe the Communication discipline and its central questions.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, students are able to employ communication theories, perspectives, principles, and concepts.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, the students are able to engage in communication inquiry.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, students are able to create and deliver messages appropriate to the audience, purpose, and context.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, students are able to critically analyze messages.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, students are able to apply ethical communication principles and practices.
- Upon completion of the AA-T in Communication Studies, students are able to utilize communication to embrace difference.

Required Core: (3 Units)

CMST 1 (Fundamentals of Public Speaking)3