

SOCIAL JUSTICE - AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES – ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

About Program

The Associate in Arts for Social Justice: African American Studies for Transfer (AA-T) meets the lower division course requirements necessary for the California State University (CSU) system. Social Justice: African American Studies analyzes equitable access to resources such as wealth, health and well-being, opportunity, privilege and rights in African American communities. Social Justice: African American Studies utilizes a variety of practical, research and theoretical perspectives to analyze and explain accessibility and inaccessibility to resources.

Social Justice: African American Studies students will analyze and examine a wide variety of key concepts related to systems of human social interactions, race, class, gender, historical trends, justice, mobility, access, equity and inclusion in African American communities. Program courses will enable students to analyze and examine the connections between our social world, their individual lives, their community and social structure. The study of Social Justice: African American Studies can lead to professional fields such as law, social work, public policy, government, journalism, non-profit organizations, research and teaching.

The Associate of Arts in Social Justice Studies Transfer Degree will be awarded upon completion of coursework totaling 60 California State University (CSU) transferable units including the major requirements and Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or California State University General Education (CSUGE) requirements with a minimum grade point average of 2.0. All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

To be awarded the Associate of Arts in Social Justice Studies for Transfer Degree, students must:

(1) Complete 60 semester units or 90 quarter units which are eligible for transfer to the California State University (CSU) system, including both of the following:

(A) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California 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) Obtain a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.

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

- Evaluate and apply Social Justice Studies' theories to discern interlocking social structures and key concepts such as power, privilege, and oppression in African American communities.
- Compare and contrast historical and current struggles for social justice across African American, ethnic, and intersecting identities.

- Identify specific forms of institutional and interpersonal violence including racism, sexism, classism, and ableism amongst African Americans individually and collectively.
- Critically examine the impact of Social Justice when analyzing economic, political, and civil/social rights in society as they pertain to African Americans.
- Apply social justice strategies including accountability, advocacy, grassroots community organizing and collaboration to foster individual and community transformation within African American communities.

A.A.-T Major Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Required Core		
ETH 027	Introduction to Race & Ethnicity in American History	3
ETH 028	Introduction to Critical Race & Social Justice	3
ETH 029	Women of Color in the United States	3
List A: Select three courses from at least two of the following areas. Note: Only one course from Area 4 may be used. Additionally, a course can only be used once to meet an area.		
Area 1		
HIST 021	African American History	3
Area 2		
ETH 020	African American Culture	3
ENGL 081	Introduction to African American Literature	3
Area 3		
HIST 021	African American History	3
ETH 020	African American Culture	3
ENGL 081	Introduction to African American Literature	3
Area 4		
MATH 063 or PSYCH 022	Elementary Statistics Research Methods in Psychology	3
Area 5		
SOC 010	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 011	Social Problems	3

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Course	Title	Credits
CSU GE		39
IGETC		37
TOTAL UNITS		60
Transferable Elective Units		12-20