The Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer (AA-T) degree meets the lower division course requirements necessary for the California State University (CSU) system. The Journalism program includes courses focused on the subject matter knowledge and competence needed to initiate study of Journalism, Mass Communication, Business, Advertising and Marketing, Sociology, Political Science, Visual Media, and English. Students majoring in Journalism develop critical thinking, problem solving, written, visual, and verbal communication skills, as well as an understanding of legal and ethical issues as they relate to the media.

As Journalism majors, students have opportunities to explore careers in many areas such as digital media, social media, public relations, public information/affairs, photojournalism, book publications, marketing, advertising, communications, technical writing, copywriting, graphic design, newspapers, magazines, radio, and television.

Program Learning Outcomes

• Describe the roles of the various mass media, including their operation and current issues.
• Practice news gathering strategies through interviews with live sources, database searches, review of other printed materials and exploration of Internet web sites
• Recognize the legal and ethical issues and responsibilities of the mass media
• Practice time and resource management

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Select one of the following: 3

- JOURN 023 Intermediate Newswriting and Reporting
- JOURN 032B Media Production 2
- JOURN 150 Introduction to Public Relations
- JOURN 160 Introduction to Photojournalism

Select two of the following: 6

- PHOTO 022 Beginning Darkroom Photography
- MATH 063 Elementary Statistics
- COMS 018 Introduction to Communication Studies
- ECON 010A Principles of Macroeconomic Theory
  or ECON 010B Introduction to Microeconomic Theory
- POLSC 001 Politics and Government In America
- POLSC 002 Comparative Politics
- ENGL 001C Critical Thinking/Composition
- PHIL 060 Logic and Critical Thinking
- COMS 040 Introduction to Argumentation

Major Requirements Total Units 18

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