

# ELEMENTARY TEACHER EDUCATION - ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

The Associate in Arts in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer (AA-T) degree meets the lower division course requirements necessary for the California State University (CSU) system. The Elementary Teacher Education program includes courses focused on the subject matter knowledge and competence needed to teach in the classroom. In pursuing the AA-T in Elementary Teacher Education, students acquire skills through early field work experience in community-based elementary schools. Students majoring in elementary teacher education develop critical thinking, problem solving, and written and verbal communication skills. As elementary teacher education majors, students have learning opportunities that are relevant to many types of careers working with children and parents including special education, elementary education, and social work.

**To be awarded the Associate in Arts in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer degree, students must:**

- Complete 60 semester units or 90 quarter units which are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
  - The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the CSU General Education – Breadth Requirements.
  - A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
- 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.*

Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADTs) also require that students must earn a "C" or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis. A 'P' (Pass) grade is acceptable grade for courses in the major if the course is taken on a "pass/no pass" basis.

## Program Learning Outcomes

- Analyze the role and responsibilities of elementary school teachers.
- Describe the structure and functions of the American and California education systems.
- Conduct field-based observations in elementary classrooms using established protocols.
- Compare several pedagogical approaches used in elementary school classrooms.
- Utilize subject matter knowledge to analyze classroom-based elementary school lesson plans.

## Major Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
COMS 020	Oral Communication	3
EDUC 010	Introduction to Education in a Multicultural Society	3
ENGL 001A	English Composition	3
ENGL 001B	English Composition	3

FCS 070	Child Development	3
GEOG 012	World Regions in Global Context	3
GEOL 015 & 015L	Earth Science and Earth Science Laboratory	4
HIST 011A	World History to 1500	3
HIST 017A	History of the United States	3
MATH 052	Mathematics for Elementary Education	3
POLSC 001	Politics and Government In America	3
PHYS 002A	Algebra/Trigonometry-Based Physics I	4
Select one of the following:		4
BIOL 020	Human Biology <sup>1</sup>	
BIOL 021	General Biology <sup>1</sup>	
Select one of the following:		4
CHEM 032A	Intro to General, Organic, & Biological Chemistry <sup>1</sup>	
CHEM 015	Fundamentals of Chemistry <sup>1</sup>	
Select one of the following:		3
COMS 040	Introduction to Argumentation	
ENGL 001C	Critical Thinking/Composition	
PHIL 060	Logic and Critical Thinking	
Select one of the following:		3
ART 090	Art Appreciation	
MUSIC 091	Music Appreciation: Western Civilization	
THEAT 020	Introduction to Theatre	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>52</b>

<sup>1</sup> Consult with a counselor to determine which courses are applicable within the major at the CSU you are planning to transfer to.

## AA-T Degree Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		52
CSU GE Pattern		39
Transferable Electives		2-5
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>60</b>