



JOURNALISM FOR TRANSFER (AA-T)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) degree in Journalism prepares students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities, and for eventual careers in mass media. Students learn the major theories and processes within the areas of writing, photography and publication design. Course offerings include journalism practice and theory, English, photography, communication studies, and computer skills.

The program is suited to the needs of students who will complete their education at Chaffey College with an associate degree, as well as those students who will complete their Chaffey associate degree and then transfer to a four-year institution to complete their bachelor's degree. Successful completion of the Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer guarantees the student acceptance to a California State University (but does not guarantee acceptance to a particular campus or major) to pursue a baccalaureate degree.

HOW DO I KNOW THIS MAJOR IS FOR ME?

- You enjoy investigating
- You enjoy analyzing and interpreting news and information
- You like to write
- You enjoy reviewing and correcting errors in content, grammar, and punctuation
- You like to follow instructions and formatting guidelines
- You enjoy gathering information about events through research, interviews, experiences
- You like to attend political, news, sports, artistic, social, or other functions
- You enjoy establishing and maintaining relationships with individuals who are credible sources of information

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS ASSOCIATE DEGREE?

- Social Media Assistant
- Information Clerk
- Blogger
- Freelance Writer
- Photojournalist
- Receptionist
- Public Address Announcer
- Media Worker
- Recreation Leader

WHERE CAN I WORK?

This pathway provides you with a choice of various work environments including:

- Newspapers
- Radio/Television Broadcasting
- Film and Video Industries
- Social Media
- Book Publishers
- Online News
- Fashion and Sports Agencies
- Schools and Colleges
- Movie Sets
- Publication Offices
- Local Government
- Small Businesses
- County Offices
- Entertainment Companies

WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL WAGE OUTLOOK?

The Associate Degree may lead to a position as an Information Clerk, which according to O*NetOnline the median wage in California was \$43,310 annually. The job and wage outlook will vary based on the position selected within this major. To review current salary information and job outlook for other occupational titles, visit www.onetonline.org.

WHAT CAN I DO IN THE FUTURE WITH MORE EDUCATION?

The positions below require at least a bachelor's degree in Journalism. According to O*NetOnline, the median salary in 2016 for a Broadcast News Analyst in California was \$53,970 annually.

- Broadcast News Analysts
- Editors
- Reporters
- Correspondents
- Writers
- Anchor
- Content Director
- News Director
- Radio News Anchor
- Radio Talk Show Host

For additional information about career pathways and to find out if this major is a good fit for you visit the Career Center located in MACC 203. Career information was collected from www.onetonline.org and www.bls.gov.



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MAJOR AND COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

To obtain the Journalism AA-T Degree, students must:

- Complete all major requirements listed below with grades of C or better in each course.
- Maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework.
- Complete 60 semester CSU-transferable units using the California State Univ.-G.E. (CSU-GE) **OR** the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern.

LEGEND: G=Grade IP=In Progress N=Need **Bold: Prerequisites** Plain Text: No Prerequisites

<i>Major Requirements for the Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree:</i>		GRADE	IP	NEED	UNITS
COMSTD 12	Mass Communication and Society				3
JOUR 10	Newswriting				3
JOUR 30	Student Media Practicum I				3

<i>List A: Plus one course from the following:</i>		GRADE	IP	NEED	UNITS
JOUR 11	Multimedia Reporting				3
JOUR 31	Student Media Practicum II				3

<i>List B: Plus two courses from the following:</i>		GRADE	IP	NEED	UNITS
COMSTD 8	Fundamentals of Speech Communication				3
COMSTD 72	Logic and Argumentation				3
ECON 2	Principles of Macroeconomics (or ECON-4, Principles of Microeconomics)				3
ENGL 1B	Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking				3
PHIL 75	Symbolic Logic				3
PHOTO 10	Beginning Photography				4
PS 1	American Politics				3
PS 10	Comparative Politics				3
STAT 10	Elementary Statistics (or SCSCI-10, Statistics for Social Science)				4

Units for the Major: 18-20 units

	IGETC	CSU
General Education	37	39
Total units that may be double counted	9	9
<u>Elective (CSU transferable) units</u>	<u>12-14</u>	<u>10-12</u>
	60	60

Student Name: _____

ID #: _____

Date: _____

Counselor: _____

COUNSELOR NOTES:

\$46 per unit for CA residents