

# Liberal Studies

## Degrees

Associate in Arts Degree: Liberal Studies:  
Emphasis in Education

Associate in Arts Degree (AA-T):  
Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer

## Emphasis in Education Program Description

The Liberal Studies: Emphasis in Education Degree prepares students to transfer to a Liberal Studies—Teacher Education bachelor’s degree program. The degree is intended to provide students with options to select appropriate coursework to meet lower-division requirements of the Liberal Studies program of the four-year institution they are planning to attend. Articulation agreements for most Liberal Studies—Teacher Education programs offered at the University of California and the California State University systems are available on the ASSIST website at [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org).

Liberal Studies—Teaching Education programs are different at each four-year institution. Therefore, students must select their courses for the Associate Degree in consultation with an SBCC academic counselor to ensure they satisfy the lower-division preparation for the Liberal Studies program of the four-year institution to which they are planning to transfer.

The Liberal Studies: Emphasis in Education Degree at Santa Barbara City College is an interdisciplinary program that provides students with a foundation of knowledge in the areas of English composition, critical thinking, oral communication, physical and life sciences, arts and humanities, and social sciences. Through this program, students acquire a breadth of knowledge across multiple disciplines, explore how knowledge across disciplines can be connected, analyze and evaluate ideas using the tools of critical thinking, and demonstrate effective communication skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking. Since Liberal Studies is a “college-wide” interdisciplinary Associate Degree program, it does **not** have departmental affiliation. Inquiries regarding the Liberal Studies program should be directed to an academic counselor or the Dean, Educational Programs—Student Development and Counseling.

## Elementary Teacher Education Program Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree

The college also offers an AA-T Degree in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer. This degree also

provides the foundational knowledge to students who want to earn a Baccalaureate Degree in Liberal Studies and a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential to prepare them for elementary school teaching (K-6). This degree is in compliance with the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Senate Bill 1440, now codified in *California Education Code* Sections 66746-66749) and guarantees admission to a California State University (CSU) campus for any community college student who completes an “associate degree for transfer,” a newly established variation of the associate degrees traditionally offered at a California community college. Upon completion of the transfer associate degree, the student is eligible for transfer with junior standing into the California State University (CSU) system. Students will be given priority consideration when applying to a particular program that is similar to the student’s community college area of emphasis. For more information on transfer degrees, visit [www.sb1440.org](http://www.sb1440.org).

## Department Offices

*Division:* Educational Programs Support  
Ben Partee, *Dean* (SS-260, ext. 2202)

## Advisers/Counselors

Counseling Center Counselors (SS-120, ext. 2285)

## AA Degree: Liberal Studies: Emphasis in Education

The Associate Degree will be awarded upon completion of Department and Associate Degree Graduation Requirements.

## Department Requirements (31-38 units)

### Core Requirements:

*Introduction to Teaching: Complete the following course:*

ED 101 — Introduction to Teaching and Learning  
In K-12 Contemporary Classrooms.....3

### Oral Communication:

*Complete one of the following courses:*

COMM 121 — Interpersonal Communication **or**.....3  
 COMM 121H — Interpersonal Communication,  
 Honors **or** .....3  
 COMM 131 — Fundamentals of  
 Public Speaking **or** .....3  
 COMM 131H — Fundamentals of  
 Public Speaking, Honors **or**.....3

COMM 141 — Small Group Communication.....	3
COMM 161 — Business and Professional Communication <b>or</b> .....	3
COMM 235* — Argumentation and Debate .....	3

*English Composition: Complete one of the following courses:*

ENG 110 — Composition and Reading <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 110H — Composition and Reading, Honors .....	3

*Critical Thinking:*

*Complete one of the following courses:*

ENG 111 — Critical Thinking and Composition Through Literature <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 111H — Critical Thinking and Composition Through Literature, Honors <b>or</b> .....	3
PHIL 111 — Critical Thinking and Writing in Philosophy <b>or</b> .....	3
PHIL 205 — Introduction to Logic <b>or</b> .....	3
COMM 235* — Argumentation and Debate .....	3

*\*Note: COMM 235 can only satisfy one core requirement (oral communication or critical thinking), not both.*

**Controlled Electives:** Complete two courses from each of the following sections 1, 2 and 3:

*Section 1. Biological and Physical Sciences: Select two courses from the following—at least one of the courses must have a lab (7-10 units):*

**BIOL** 100, 140, 140 and 141, **BMS** 107, 108,  
**ERTH** 101 or 101H, 101 and 102 or 101H and 102,  
111 or 111H, 111 and 111L or 111H and 111L, 112,  
112 and 112L, 151, 151 and 151L, **PHSC** 103,  
**PHYS** 101, 101 and 101L, 102

*Section 2. Social Sciences: Select two courses from the following (6-8 units):*

**ANTH** 103, **BLST** 101, **ECE** 102, 120, **ERTH** 142/  
**GEOG** 105, 102, **HIST** 101+, 102+ or 102H+, 107+,  
108+, **POLS** 101, **PSY** 100 or 100H, 140, 145,  
**SOC** 101 or 101H, 104

*Section 3: Arts and Humanities: Select two courses from the following (6-8 units):*

**ART** 101, 103, 104 or 104H, **CHST** 115, 131,  
**ECE** 115, **ENG** 221, 222 or 222H, 225, 226 or 226H,  
231, 232, **HIST** 101+, 102+ or 102H+, 107+, 108+,  
**MUS** 110 or 110H, 118, **PE** 250, **PHIL** 100 or 100H,  
101 or 101H, 102 or 102H, 200, 201, **TA** 103, 111,  
**Foreign Language**

+ **HIST** 101, 102 or 102H, 107, 108 can only satisfy one section (section 2 or section 3), not both.

*Recommended Courses:*

**ANTH** 104, **COMP** 101, **ECON** 101 or 102, **ED** 291,  
295, **HE** 101 or 102, **MATH** 108, **SPAN** 101

### Associate Degree Graduation Requirements

(1) Complete all department requirements with a “C” or better or “P” in each course (at least 20% of the department requirements must be completed through SBCC); (2) Complete one of the following three General Education options: **OPTION 1:** SBCC General Education Requirements (Areas A-D) and Institutional Requirements (Area E) and Information Competency Requirement (Area F) **OR** **OPTION 2:** IGETC Pattern **OR** **OPTION 3:** CSU GE Breadth Pattern; (3) Complete a total of 60 degree-applicable units (SBCC courses numbered 100 and higher); (4) Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in all units attempted at SBCC; (5) Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in all college units attempted; and (6) Complete 15 units through SBCC.

### Requirements for AA-T Degree—

#### Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer

The field of teacher education covers a wide range of topics. The major is designed to give students exposure to basic information in the discipline and provide the opportunity to focus on the areas that best suit their individual needs. Students should consult with a departmental adviser and/or counselor when choosing both controlled and general electives in order to develop a program of study that is best suited to their specific needs. For example, requirements for the baccalaureate degree in Liberal Studies vary from one institution to another. It is, therefore, essential to become familiar with the requirements of the institution a student plans to attend.

The Associate in Arts Degree in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer will provide the foundational knowledge to students who want to earn a Baccalaureate Degree in Liberal Studies and a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential to prepare them for elementary school teaching (K-6).

**Degree Requirements**

Complete 60 CSU-transferable units including General Education, major requirements and CSU-transferable electives as follows:

**I. General Education**

Complete one of the following patterns:

- Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum "IGETC" for CSU (38 semester units)
- California State University General Education Breadth pattern (40 semester units)

**II. Major**

Complete 51-59 units as outlined below with a "C" or better in each course. Pass/No Pass grading is not permitted in a course within a student's major area of study. The courses completed for the major may also be used to fulfill General Education areas on the IGETC or the CSU GE Breadth.

**Required Core (45-52 units)**

BIOL 100* — Concepts of Biology <b>or</b> .....	4
BIOL 140* and 141*— Principles of Biology and Biology Laboratory .....	4
COMM 131*— Fundamentals of Public Speaking <b>or</b> ...	3
COMM 131H*— Fundamentals of Public Speaking, Honors.....	3
ECE 120* — Child Growth and Development for Educators .....	3
ED 101 — Intro to Teach and Learning in K-12 Contemp Classroom .....	3
ED 291 — Practicum in Teaching.....	2
ENG 110* — Composition and Reading <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 110H* — Composition and Reading, Honors ..	3
ENG 221* — Survey of British Literature <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 222* — Survey of British Literature <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 225* — American Literature <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 226* — American Literature <b>or</b> .....	3

ENG 226H* — American Literature, Honors <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 231* — World Literature <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 232* — World Literature .....	3
ERTH 111* — Dynamic Earth-Physical Geol <b>and</b> ....	3
ERTH 111L* — Dynamic Earth-Physical Geol Lab <b>or</b> .....	1
ERTH 111H* — Dynamic Earth-Phys Geol, Honors <b>and</b> .....	4
ERTH 111L* — Dynamic Earth-Physical Geol Lab <b>or</b> .....	1
ERTH 112* — History of the Earth <b>and</b> .....	3
ERTH 112L* — Historical Geology Lab .....	1
GEOG 104* — World Regional Geography .....	3
HIST 101* — History of the U.S. to 1865 .....	3
HIST 107* — World Civilization, Beginning-1550 .....	3
MATH 108* — Math for Elementary Teachers .....	4
PHSC 103* — Conceptual Physics and Concepts Physics Lab <b>or</b> .....	4
CHEM 101* — Introductory Chemistry <b>and</b> .....	4
PHYS 101* — Conceptual Physics <b>or</b> .....	3
PHYS 102* — Introductory Physics for Science Majors <b>or</b> .....	4
PHYS 105* — General Physics.....	4
POLS 101* — American Government and Politics .....	3

*List A. Select one course from the following (3 units)*

COMM 235* — Argumentation and Debate <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 111* — Critical Thinking and Comp. Through Lit <b>or</b> .....	3
ENG 111H* — Crit. Thinking and Comp. Thru Lit, Honors <b>or</b> .....	3
PHIL 111* — Critical Thinking and Writing in Philosophy <b>or</b> .....	3
PHIL 205* — Introduction to Logic.....	3

*List B. Select one course from the following (3-4 units)*

ART 101* — Visual Literacy <b>or</b> .....	3
MUS 110* — Music Appreciation <b>or</b> .....	3
MUS 110H* — Music Appreciation, Honors <b>or</b> .....	4

PE 250\* — Survey and Appreciation of  
Dance History *or* ..... 3  
TA 103\* — Theatre Appreciation..... 3

List C. Up to 9 additional units selected from the following:

Any courses not selected above and/or

**ASL** 102\*, 103\*, 104\*; **ANTH** 102\*, 103\*, 113\*;  
**ARBC** 102\*; **ART** 103\*, 104\* or 104H, 106\*, 108\*,  
120\*, 130\* or 131 or 132\*, 140, 141, 150, 170, 190,  
215\*; **BMS** 107\*, 108\*; **BLST** 101\*, 103\*; **CHEM** 104\*;  
**CHST** 103\*, 115\*, 131\*; **CHIN** 102\*, 103\*; **CIS** 101;  
**ECE** 102\*, 115\*; **ERTH** 101\* or 101H\*, 141\*, 141L\*,  
151\* & 151L\*, 152\*; **ENG** 270; **FR** 102\*, 103\*, 104\*;  
**GER** 102\*, 103\*; **GEOG** 101\*, 101L\*, 102\*, 104\*, 152\*;  
**HE** 101\*; **HEBR** 102\*; **HIST** 100\*, 102\* or 102H\*, 103\*,  
108\*, 109\*; **ITAL** 102\*; **JAPN** 102\*, 103\*, 104\*;  
**KOR** 102\*; **LATN** 102\*; **MATH** 114\*, 130\*, 138\*, 150\*,  
117\* or 117H\*; **MUS** 100, 102A\*, 118\*, 146, 148, 160;  
**PHIL** 100\* or 101\* or 101H\*, 102\* or 102H\*, 200\*,  
201\*; **PE** 217; **POLS** 131\*; **PSY** 100\* or 100H\*, 140\*,  
145\*, 150\*; **SOC** 101\*, 104\*; **SPAN** 102\*, 103\*, 104\*;  
**TA** 107\*, 108\*, 111\*, 116

\*These courses fulfill an IGETC and/or a CSU GE Breadth pattern requirement. Visit [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) or <http://articulation.sbcc.edu> for a complete list of IGETC and CSU GE Breadth requirements.

### III. CSU Transferable Electives

Complete as many units as needed to reach a total of 60 CSU-transferable units (for a list of SBCC-transferable courses to CSU, visit [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org)).

#### Additional Graduation Requirements for AA-T in Elementary Teacher Education:

- Maintain a cumulative CSU-transferable GPA of 2.0.
- Residency Requirements: Candidates for an Associate Degree are expected to complete 15 semester units in residence at SBCC. Candidates for an Associate Degree are also expected to complete at least 20% of the department major requirements in residence at SBCC.