

LIBERAL ARTS

ASSOCIATE DEGREE & CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

2023-2024 CATALOG

DESCRIPTION

The Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts Degree is designed for students who wish to obtain a broad knowledge of liberal arts and sciences plus additional coursework in an "Area of Emphasis."

Students must complete all of the required courses for one of General Education patterns. Choose either Option I, II, or III listed below for the General Education Pattern related to your educational goal. CSUGE and IGETC patterns are required for students who intend to transfer to four-year universities. Students should consult with a counselor to determine which General Education pattern is best for them.

Complete 18 credits in one "Area of Emphasis" from those outlined below. (Note: Where appropriate, courses in the "area of emphasis" may also be counted for a GE requirement) For ALL OPTIONS: complete necessary Cuesta College graduation and proficiency requirements. (Meet with a Cuesta College counselor) All classes listed below transfer to CSU and/or UC. Courses in BOLD are only transferable to CSU. Refer to www.ASSIST.org for transfer details.

OPTIONS:

I. Cuesta College General Education:

II. CSU GE: Students selecting this option must complete all of the required courses for CSU GE Certification.

III. IGETC: Students selecting this option must complete all of the required courses for IGETC Certification.

AREAS OF EMPHASIS:

For depth, include a minimum of two courses from a single discipline. For breadth, include at least three disciplines in your selection.

Complete Cuesta College graduation requirements

NOTE: Effective Fall 2009, a grade of a "C" or better is required for all courses taken in an area of emphasis, and a minimum overall GPA of 2.00 is required in general education coursework.

ELECTIVE CREDITS: Electives may be necessary to total 60 overall credits required for the degree and must be transferable if choosing the CSU GE or IGETC general education pattern.

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES & AWARDS

- Associate in Arts (A.A.)

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An Associate Degree, depending on the focus of study, is designed to prepare students for transfer into upper division course work in a bachelor's degree program, or, to prepare students to enter the workforce in a particular vocational field. To qualify for an Associate's Degree, a student must: (1) complete each major-specific course required for the degree with at least a "C" grade or better, (2) complete all Cuesta College general education, graduation and residency requirements, and (3) achieve an overall grade point average of 2.0 for all courses attempted (major, general education, elective).

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

Liberal Arts: Arts And Humanities — Associate in Arts

The AA in Liberal Arts with an Emphasis in Arts and Humanities is intended for students who are exploring majors or professions that require a broader understanding of the arts and humanities. Courses will be selected from arts and humanities disciplines that emphasize (a) the artistic expression or artistic technique of individuals and cultures, (b) philosophical investigations, (c) the historical contexts for art, literature, thought, and events, or (d) the study of languages.

The Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts Degree is designed for students who wish to obtain a broad knowledge of liberal arts and sciences plus additional coursework in an "Area of Emphasis."

Complete a minimum of 18 credits from the Area of Emphasis course work listed below.

For depth, complete at least two courses from one single discipline.

For breadth, complete courses from at least three different disciplines.

Courses taken for breadth or depth must carry at least 3 semester credits.

Complete one of the following General Education patterns: Cuesta College AA/AS GE; or CSU GE; or IGETC.

Complete Cuesta College graduation requirements. (Meet with a Cuesta College counselor for details.)

NOTES:

Courses listed below may double count towards GE when appropriate.

Additional courses may be required to total 60 credits, as required for the degree.

Effective Fall 2009 a grade of "C" or better is required for all courses taken in an Area of Emphasis.

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TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree may differ from those needed to prepare to transfer. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with a Cuesta College counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

TRANSFER RESOURCES:

CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine:
www.ASSIST.org

CSU System Information:
www2.calstate.edu

FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that Cuesta College offers a full array of financial aid programs—grants, work study, scholarships, federal loan programs, and fee waivers. These programs are available to both full-and part-time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information:
www.cuesta.edu/student/student-services/financial-aid

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ART 295	Art Gallery	3
ASL 201	American Sign Language I	5
ASL 202	American Sign Language II	5
DRA 200	Acting I	3
DRA 201	Acting II - Acting For The Camera	3
DRA 207	Introduction To Theatre	3
DRA 209	Introduction To Theatre Design	3
DRA 211	Stagecraft	3
DRA 236	Introduction To Theatrical Costume Construction	3
DRA 240	Technical Theatre Practicum	3
DRA 263	Rehearsal And Performance: Devised/New Works	3
ENGL 201B	Composition: Introduction To Literature/Critical Thinking	4
ENGL 201C	English Composition: Critical Thinking	4
ENGL 205	Introduction To Poetry	3
ENGL 206	Introduction To The Novel	3
ENGL 212A	Survey of American Literature I	3
ENGL 212B	Survey of American Literature 2	3
ENGL 213	Ethnic Literature Of The United States	3
ENGL 215	Shakespeare	3
ENGL 216	Literature And Film	3
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ENGL 245B	Survey Of World Literature 2	3
ENGL 246A	Survey Of British Literature 1	3
ENGL 246B	Survey Of British Literature 2	3
ETHN 213	Ethnic Literature Of The United States	3
ETHN 235	Race, Ethnicity, And Pop Culture	3
FR 201	French I	5
FR 202	French II	5
GER 201	German I	5
GER 202	German II	5
HIST 203A	History Of World Civilizations	3
HIST 203B	History Of World Civilizations	3
HIST 204A	History Of Western Civilization	3
HIST 204B	History Of Western Civilization	3
HIST 207A	History Of The United States	3
HIST 207B	History Of The United States	3
HIST 210	History Of California	3
HIST 212	History Of Mexican Americans	3
HIST 233	History Of African Americans	3
HIST 237	History Of American Women	3
MUS 201	Fundamentals Of Music (Music Theory I)	3
MUS 204A	Music Theory II	3
MUS 204B	Music Theory III	3
MUS 204C	Music Theory IV	3
MUS 205A	Musicianship II	1
MUS 205B	Musicianship III	1
MUS 205C	Musicianship IV	1
MUS 210	Songwriting I	3
MUS 211	Music Technology	2
MUS 212	Applied Music (Private Lessons)	2
MUS 220	Elementary Voice	2
MUS 222	Intermediate Voice	2
MUS 223	Vocal Jazz Ensemble	2 - 3
MUS 224A	Beginning Vocal Jazz Workshop	2
MUS 225	Wind Ensemble	2
MUS 227	Chamber Music Ensemble	1 - 3
MUS 228	Mixed Chorus	1 - 3
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MUS 233	Jazz Improvisation	2
MUS 234	Arranging, Scoring, And Orchestration	2
MUS 235	Music Appreciation: Classical Music	3
MUS 236	Music Appreciation: World Music	3
MUS 237	Music Appreciation: Rock And Roll	3
MUS 238	Music Appreciation: Jazz History	3
MUS 240	Recording Arts I: Fundamentals Of Audio Technology	3
MUS 241	Recording Arts II: Studio Workshop	3
MUS 245	Jazz Workshop	2
MUS 257	Elementary Piano For Musicians	2
MUS 258	Elementary Piano	2
MUS 259	Intermediate Piano	1 - 2
MUS 267	Opera/Musical Theater Workshop	2
MUS 270	Elementary Guitar	2
MUS 271	Intermediate Guitar	2
PHIL 205	Introduction To The Bible	3
PHIL 206	Introduction To Philosophy	3
PHIL 209	World Religions	3
PHIL 212	Philosophical Classics In Theory Of Reality And Of Knowledge	3
PHIL 213	Philosophical Classics In Ethics And Social Philosophy	3
SPAN 201	Spanish I	5
SPAN 202	Spanish II	5
SPAN 203	Spanish III	5
SPAN 204	Spanish IV	5
Total Credits:		18

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Liberal Arts - Science — Associate in Arts

The AA in Liberal Arts with Emphasis in Science is intended for students who are exploring majors or professions that require a broader understanding of the sciences. The degree requirements are fulfilled by completing courses from an approved list that examine the natural science of the physical universe and its life forms. The courses emphasize a) an understanding of the methods of acquisition and analysis of scientific data, b) quantitative reasoning skills (beyond intermediate algebra level), and c) the significance of scientific knowledge in our increasingly technological society.

A total of 60 credits is required including a minimum of 18 credits in the area of emphasis chosen from the courses approved for the CSU General Education Area B (Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning). The area of emphasis includes math, depth, and breadth requirements that are described below. Within the 60 credits, students will also satisfy either the Cuesta College, CSU or IGETC General Education requirements. All mathematics, physical and life science courses approved for this major and categorized below are part of the CSU GE (Areas B1, B2, B4) and IGETC (Areas 2A, 5A, 5B) patterns with the exception of Math 229 and Math 231, which are not UC transferable. Elective credits may be necessary to earn the 60 credits required for the degree.

Math Requirement:

One course will be selected from the Mathematics/ Quantitative Reasoning course list. Courses for this requirement have a minimum of 3 credits each.

Depth Requirement:

Two courses will be selected from EITHER Physical Science OR from Life Science. The two courses must be from the same department (i.e., BIO, CHEM, PHYS, or EOS [EOS = AGPS, GEOG, GEOL, OCEN, METE]). Courses for this requirement have a minimum of 3 credits each.

Breadth Requirement:

For the three courses required to meet the breadth requirement, one must be selected from Physical Science, one must be from Life Science, and one additional course will be selected from either Physical Science or Life Science. These courses are in addition to the math and depth requirement courses. Courses for this requirement have a minimum of 3 credits each.

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Physical Science

Astronomy (ASTR)

ASTR 210 Astronomy 3

Chemistry (CHEM)

CHEM 201A . . . General College Chemistry I 5

CHEM 201B . . . General College Chemistry II 5

CHEM 200 Introductory Chemistry 4

CHEM 211 Introductory Organic/Biochemistry 4

CHEM 212A . . . Organic Chemistry I 5

CHEM 212B . . . Organic Chemistry II 5

CHEM 231 Biochemistry 4

Earth & Ocean Science: Agriculture Plant Science (AGPS), Geography (GEOG), Geology (GEOL), Oceanography (OCEN), Meteorology (METE)

AGPS 241 Introduction To Soil Science 3

ENVS 200 Introduction To Environmental Science 3

GEOG 201 Physical Geography 3

GEOL 210 Physical Geology 4

GEOL 211 History of the Earth 4

GEOL 212 Environmental Geology 3

GEOL 220 Geology Of California 3

METE 212 Introduction To Meteorology 3

OCEN 210 Oceanography 3

PSCI 211 Earth Science For Future Educators 4

Physics (PHYS)

PHYS 205A . . . General Physics 4

PHYS 205B . . . General Physics 4

PHYS 208A . . . Principles Of Physics 1 5

PHYS 208B . . . Principles Of Physics 2 5

PSCI 210 Energy and Matter 4

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Life Science

AGPS 242	Introduction To Plant Science	3
ANTH 201	Physical Anthropology	3
BIO 201A	Biology	5
BIO 201B	Biology	5
BIO 202	General Botany	5
BIO 204	Microbiology	5
BIO 205	Human Anatomy	4
BIO 206	General Human Physiology	5
BIO 211	Life Science	3
BIO 212	Human Biology	3
BIO 213	Genetics In Society	3
BIO 216	Plants & People	4
BIO 220	Environmental Biology	3
BIO 221	Ecology	4
BIO 222	Marine Biology	3
BIO 224	Principles Of Natural History	3
PSYC 202	Introduction To Biological Psychology	3

Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning

MATH 229	Trigonometry	4
MATH 230	College Mathematics For The Humanities	3
MATH 231	Trigonometry With Geometric Foundations	5
MATH 232	College Algebra	4
MATH 242	Precalculus Algebra	5
MATH 247	Introduction To Statistics	4
MATH 255	Calculus For Business And Management	3
MATH 265A . . .	Calculus I	5
MATH 265B . . .	Calculus II	5
MATH 283	Calculus III: Multivariable Calculus	5
MATH 287	Ordinary Differential Equations And Linear Algebra	5

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM**Liberal Arts: Social And Behavioral Sciences** — Associate in Arts

The AA in Liberal Arts with an emphasis in Social and Behavioral Sciences is intended for students who are exploring majors or professions that require a broad understanding of human behavior. Courses in this degree will emphasize one or more of the following: (a) methodologies characteristic of the social or behavioral sciences; (b) the beginnings of human culture; (c) the psychology of human beings; (d) the interaction of human beings in societies and social subgroups; (e) the history of human civilizations or nations; (f) the economic, political, or legal structures of human societies.

Complete a minimum of 18 credits from the Area of Emphasis course work listed below.

For depth, complete at least two courses from one single discipline.

For breadth, complete courses from at least three different disciplines.

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AGB 201 can count for depth with ECON 201A.

AGB 201 Agriculture Economics	3
or ECON 201B Principles Of Microeconomics	(3)
ANTH 201 Physical Anthropology	3
ANTH 201L Physical Anthropology Laboratory	1
ANTH 202 Archaeology	3
ANTH 203 Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH 220 California Indians	3
ANTH 221 North American Indians	3
ANTH 225 Contemporary Cultures Of The World	3
ASHS 212. Human Development: Life Span	3
ASHS 214. Family, Relationships And Intimacy	3
ASHS 218. Human Sexuality: Experience & Expression	3
ASHS 278. Families And Addiction	3
BUS 218. Business Law	4
CDFS 201. Child Growth And Development	3
CDFS 202. Child, Family And Community	3
CDFS 217. The Study Of Parenting: Theory And Practice	3
CJ 202. Introduction To Criminal Justice	3
CJ 206. Concepts Of Criminal Law	3
CJ 224. Community, Diversity And The Justice System	3
COMM 230 Interpersonal Communication	3
COMM 280 Fundamentals Of Human Communication	3
ECON 200 Survey Of Economics	3
ECON 201A. Principles Of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 201B. Principles Of Microeconomics	3
or AGB 201 Agriculture Economics	(3)
EDUC 210 Ethnic Studies For Educators	3
ETHN 210 Ethnic Studies For Educators	3
ETHN 219 Introduction To Queer Studies	3
ETHN 230 Introduction to Social Justice and Ethnic Studies	3
ETHN 231 Social Movements Of The 21st Century	3
GEOG 201 Physical Geography	3
GEOG 202 Cultural Geography	3
GLST 210. Introduction To Global Studies	3
GLST 220. Global Problems And Issues	3
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HIST 237	History Of American Women	3
HIST 260	History Of The San Simeon Region	3
LGL 217	Introduction To Law	3
MATH 247	Introduction To Statistics	4
PHIL 208	Introduction To Logic	3
POLS 201	Introduction To Political Science	3
POLS 202	Government And Politics Of The United States	3
POLS 204	World Politics	3
POLS 205	Law And Politics	3
POLS 206	Comparative Government	3
POLS 209	Introduction To Political Theory	3
PSYC 200	Research Methods For The Behavioral And Social Sciences	3
PSYC 201	Introductory Psychology	3
PSYC 202	Introduction To Biological Psychology	3
PSYC 204	Introduction To Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 206	Introduction To Social Psychology	3
PSYC 233	Personality And Adjustment	3
SOC 201A	Introduction To Sociology	3
SOC 201B	Social Institutions	3
SOC 202	Social Problems	3
SOC 204	Introduction to Criminology	3
SOC 206	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	3
SOC 208	Introduction To Gender Studies	3
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