

Academic Senate – Liberal Arts Degree – 1st Reading – 11/05/09

The Associate degree in Liberal Arts is designed for students who wish to have a broad knowledge of liberal arts and sciences plus additional coursework in an “Area of Emphasis”. The Associates in Arts, Liberal Arts Degree would be an ideal choice for those students planning on transferring to the California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) as students can satisfy general education requirements, plus focus on transferable course work that relates to majors at CSU or UC. Please consult with a counselor for information regarding your intended major at the specific college or university of your choice.

- Choose either Option I or II or III for the General Education pattern related to your educational goal.
- Complete 18 units in one “**Area of Emphasis**” from those outlined below. (Note: Where appropriate, courses in the “Area of Emphasis” may also apply towards the IGETC/CSU GE patterns).
- For **All Options**: Complete necessary Victor Valley College Graduation and Proficiency requirements (refer to catalog or counselor for a list of applicable courses).
- All classes listed below transfer to the CSU system and courses in **BOLD** also transfer to the UC system. Please refer to www.assist.org for articulation agreements and transfer details for each course.

I.	ASSOCIATES IN ARTS DEGREE	GE UNITS
	General Education, Graduation and Proficiency Requirements	18
II.	CSU/GE	
	Minimum units necessary to meet CSU/GE Certification Requirements.	39
III.	IGETC	
	Minimum units necessary to meet IGETC Certification requirements.	34

AREA OF EMPHASIS **18**

Complete 18 units in one “Area of Emphasis”. For depth of study, 2 or more courses in one discipline are required. (**Note:** Where appropriate, courses in the “Area of Emphasis” may also apply towards the CSU/IGETC General Education areas).

ELECTIVE UNITS **3-24**

Elective units may be necessary to total 60 overall units required for the Associate Degree. **However,** these units must be transferable to the CSU and/or UC for appropriate transfer credit.

TOTAL UNITS 60

AREAS OF EMPHASIS

1. MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE: 4902.00

These courses emphasize the natural sciences which examine the physical universe, its life forms and its natural phenomena. Courses in Math emphasize the development of mathematical and quantitative reasoning skills beyond the level of intermediate algebra. Students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of the methodologies of science as investigative tools. Students will also examine the influence that the acquisition of scientific knowledge has on the development of the world's civilization.

Note: Students must complete a course in Mathematics and a course in Science.

ANTH 101 + 101L

ASTR 101

BIOL 100, 104, 107, 109, 114, 118, 121, 201, 202, 203, 211, 212, 221, 231, 232

CHEM 100, H100, 114, 201, 202, 206, 207, H207, 255, 281, 282

GEOG 101 + 101L

GEOL 101,102, 103, 110

MATH 104, 105, H105, 119, 120, H120, 132, 226, 227, 228, 231, 270

OCEA 101

PHYS 100,201,202,203, H204, 221, 222

PSCI 101, 114,115

2. ARTS & HUMMANITIES: 4903.00

These courses emphasize the study of cultural, literary, humanistic activities and artistic expression of human beings. Students will evaluate and interpret the ways in which people through the ages in different cultures have responded to themselves and the world around them in artistic and cultural creation. Students will also learn to value aesthetic understanding and incorporate these concepts when constructing value judgments.

ANTH 106

ART 101, 102,103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 112, 113, 114, 120, 122, 125, 150

CMST 105

ENGL 102, H102, 116* 162, 210, 211, 220, 225, 230,231, 232, 235, 240, 241, 245, 246, 247

Foreign Language: **CMST (ASL) 122, 123, 124, 125; FREN 101, 102, 103, 104; GERM 101, 102, 103, 104:**

LATN 101, 102; SPAN 101, 102, 103, 104

HIST 103, 104, 115, 117, H117, 118, H118, 119, 120, 121, 124, 125,127, 130, 131, 135, 150, 153, 155, 157

MUSC 100, 101, 102, 103, 115, 116, 117, 118, 131,202, 204

PE 103

PHIL 101, 108,117,120, 121

RLST 101, 105, 106, 110, 111, 115, 117

TA 101, 102, 104, 107, 110, 116,* 117

***Cross-listed course ENGL 116 is the same as TA 116.**

3. SOCIAL & BEHAVIORIAL SCIENCES: 4903.30

These courses emphasize the perspective, concepts, theories and methodologies of the disciplines typically found in the vast variety of disciplines that comprise study in the Social and Behavioral Sciences. Students will study about themselves and others as members of a larger society. Topics and discussion to stimulate critical thinking about ways people have acted in response to their societies will allow students to evaluate how societies and social subgroups operate.

AJ 101

ANTH 101, 102,103, 105, 106

CHDV 106, 146

CMST 105 (Intercultural)

ECON 101, 102

GEOG 101, 102, 103

HIST 103, 104,115, 117, H117, 118, H118, 119,120, 121,124, 125,127, 130, 131, 135, 150, 153, 155, 157

POLS 101, 102, H102, 103, 110, H110, 111, 112, 113,

PSYC 101, H101,103, 110, H110,111,116,121, 130,204, 213

RLST 105, 106, 110, 113, 115

SOC 101, 102, 103, 107