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Associate Degree for Transfer

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The California State University

clear and economical degree pathways

60 + 60
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Transfer Model Curriculum

similar baccalaureate
Streamlined California Community Colleges and California State University Transfer Program Confers Nearly 12,000 Associate’s Degrees in 2013-14

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The number of community college students who earned an associate degree through the California Community Colleges and California State University "2+2 Degree with a Guarantee" transfer program more than doubled to 11,673 in 2013-14, the two college systems announced today. Students who earn an Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) are guaranteed admission to the California State University. Of the 11,673 students who earned an associate’s degree for transfer, 6,905 went on to transfer to a CSU campus.

For comparison, in the 2012-13 academic year, the first full year transfer degrees were available, 5,367 associate degrees for transfer were awarded to California community college students. These included 1,742 AA-T degrees and 3,625 AA-T degrees.

"As these numbers indicate, an increasingly large number of students are opting to take advantage of the tremendous benefits offered through this program," said California Community College Chancellor Brice Harris. "The reasons for this are compelling. Students can earn a second credential to enhance their resumes and bolster their workforce competitiveness and much of the uncertainty surrounding the transfer process is eliminated. Our community college faculty and the faculty of the California State University are to be congratulated for the tremendous amount of work and cooperation necessary to bring this Degree with a Guarantee to life."

Students who receive an AA-T or AS-T at a community college are guaranteed admission to a CSU in a similar major with junior standing and need only earn 60 more semester units (90, if quarter units) to obtain a bachelor's degree. Though program students are guaranteed admission to a CSU campus, it may not necessarily be a campus or major of their choice.

"The thousands of students who are earning an Associate Degree for Transfer are choosing the best academic preparation for completing the corresponding baccalaureate programs at CSU campuses," said CSU Chancellor Timothy P. White. "With the university's mission uniquely focused on serving transfer students, we continue to work with our community college partners to ensure that current community college students and high school seniors are aware of this fantastic opportunity."
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accounting for the missing ADT transfers:
- applicants don’t always self-identify
- degree conferral lags admission deadlines
- students may delay applying
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enrollments relative to other transfers

number of students enrolled (headcount)


CCC transfers without ADT
ADT transfers (above 70 units)
ADT transfers (up to 70 units)
growth efforts: outreach, counselor conferences, on-line search, areas of emphasis, high-unit majors
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explore your options

associate degrees for transfer (AA-T or AS-T) programs may vary at each of the California community colleges. To locate a community college that offers the AA-T or AS-T in a major of interest to you, begin your search by first selecting the major (discipline) you are interested in pursuing in the search tool below. Then select the community colleges closest to you, or choose “select all CCCs” to view programs offered statewide.

then, use the search by CSU campus menu to view which CSU campuses have a program that has been deemed similar to the AA-T or AS-T program you have completed.

search by major of interest
communication studies

search by CCC college

- Hartnell College
- Imperial Valley College
- Irvine Valley College
- Lake Tahoe Community College
- Laney College
- Las Positas College
- Lassen Community College
- Long Beach City College

search by CSU campus

- Santa Barbara
- San Diego
- San Francisco
- San Jose
- San Luis Obispo
- San Marcos
- Sonoma
- Stanislaus