

GEOLOGY

PROGRAM

- **Associate in Science for Transfer (A.S.-T)**



**HARTNELL
COLLEGE**

DESCRIPTION

The Associate in Science degree in Geology for Transfer provides a clearly articulated curricular track for students who wish to transfer to baccalaureate geology degree programs at a California State University (CSU) campus. This degree provides the lower division geology major courses required at many CSUs while exposing students to the core principles and practices of the geology field. Students completing the Geology degree will have an introductory foundation through the study of the scientific method, Earth materials, Earth processes, and Earth history. They will acquire skills, knowledge, and abilities that enable students to use a scientific approach incorporating basic chemistry, physics, and mathematics to the study of the Earth; identify common minerals, rocks, and geomorphic features of Earth; describe the materials and elucidate the processes that comprise the dynamic Earth system; describe the evidence for and occurrence of major events in Earth History. Most common career opportunities with a baccalaureate degree include: entry-level field technician/geologist in industry (mining, oil, environmental consulting) and governmental agencies (Department of Natural Resources, Geological Surveys, National Parks). This Associate in Science in Geology for Transfer (AS-T) Degree is intended to meet the lower division requirements for geology for all CSU campuses. For detailed requirements for individual four-year institutions, students should contact the transfer institution and meet with a counselor for specific transfer course requirements in their major.

LEADS TO CAREER OPPORTUNITIES SUCH AS:

- Aerial/Scientific Photographer
- Agricultural Engineer
- Architect
- Computer Analyst
- Economic Geologist
- Environmental Lawyer
- Forest Ranger
- Geochemist
- Geologist
- Hydrologist
- Laboratory Technician
- Landscape Manager
- Marine Advisor
- Mathematician
- Soil Scientist
- Surveyor
- Pollution Control Specialist

TRANSFER PREPARATION

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

TRANSFER RESOURCES

www.ASSIST.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Major Search Engine

CSU System Information - <http://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 Hartnell College offers a full array of financial aid programs, federal loan programs, and fee waivers.

<https://www.hartnell.edu/students/fa/net-price-calculator.html>

GEOLOGY (AST.GEL)

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER

Program Outcomes: Upon successful completion of this program a student will be able to:

- apply the scientific method to knowledge acquisition and transfer of information.
- demonstrate proficiency in the areas of graphical presentation, oral communication, and scientific writing.
- examine the various earth system components and their complex interaction through inquiry-based interdisciplinary curricula in the physical sciences.
- use observing systems, geospatial technology, computers, information processing and data analysis.
- explain the significance of geological resources and their economic and sustainable value for long-term habitation of the planet by humans.

Required Major Courses (26 units)

<input type="checkbox"/>	GEL-1 – Physical Geology	4.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEL-6 – History of the Earth	4.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHM-1A – General Chemistry I	5.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	CHM-1B – General Chemistry II	5.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	MAT-3A – Analytic Geometry and Calculus I	4.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	MAT-3B – Analytic Geometry and Calculus II	4.0

SUBTOTAL: 26 UNITS

General Education – Required Courses

Students must complete one of the following General Education Plans:

CSU-GE (see page 72) **39 units**

IGETC (see page 74) **37 units**

Students can double-count required courses and courses for General Education

■ Electives (Courses Numbered 1-99) required when degree units plus GE units total fewer than 60.

TOTAL: 60 UNITS



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*Associate Degree
for Transfer*

In order to earn this degree, students must complete the Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements:

1. Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University GE – Breadth Requirements (CSU GE-Breadth).
 - b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0

ADTs include (AA-T) and (AS-T) degrees. The law authorizing these degrees also requires that students must earn a “C” or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis. A “P” (Pass) grade is also an acceptable grade for courses in the major if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.