DESCRIPTION

The Associate in Arts degree in Law, Public Policy and Society prepares students for law school upon completion of a bachelor’s degree. The interdisciplinary approach emphasizes the development of communication skills, introduces students to the legal field, and prepares students for further study in a variety of majors. Students who opt to pursue this course of study are encouraged to engage in further exploration of one or more specific majors as they select electives for degree completion.

The Associate in Arts degree in Law, Public Policy and Society for Transfer provides a clearly articulated curricular track for students who wish to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs at a California State University (CSU) campus in a variety of areas. For detailed requirements for individual four-year institutions, students should contact the transfer institution and meet with a counselor for specific transfer course requirements for their major.

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

LEADS TO CAREER OPPORTUNITIES SUCH AS:

- Banking
- Corporate Legal Departments
- Law Offices
- Government
- Finance
- Insurance
- Other Legal Service Providers
- Politics
- Real Estate
ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

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

- recognize the relationship among race, racism, imperialism, white supremacy, colonialism, and the U.S. legal system.
- evaluate the relationship between the U.S. Constitution and the institution of slavery.
- examine the role the legal system has played in the construction of race.
- illustrate how economics, philosophy, logic, education, ethnology, anthropology, politics, sociology, history, and culture molds U.S. law and legal reasoning.
- apply analytic and conceptual tools to critically assess numerous practice areas of law, including, but not limited to the following: civil rights, criminal defense, immigration, education, and human rights. Furthermore, students will be able to demonstrate how these particular areas have historically informed and shaped their local communities.
- demonstrate a systematic understanding of the racial and legal history of people of color in the United States, including, but not limited to analyzing the following issues: naturalization and citizenship, cultural stereotypes and hate speech, history of slavery in America, the workplace and farm labor, land grants, treaty and policy making, and the hyper-masculinity and criminalization of Black and Brown males.

Required Major Courses (22-23 units)

- PHL-10 – Introduction to Ethics 3.0
- COM-1 – Introduction to Public Speaking 3.0
- OR
- COM-2 – Argumentation or Debate 3.0
- ENG-1A – College Composition and Reading 3.0
- OR
- ENG-1AX – Intensive College Composition and Reading 4.0
- ENG-2 – Critical Thinking and Writing 3.0
- MAT-13 – Introduction to Statistics 4.0
- HIS-17A – United States History A 3.0
- OR
- HIS-17B – United States History B 3.0
- POL-1 – American Political Institutions 3.0

Major Electives (Complete 2 courses from 2 of the areas listed below – 6 units)

- Administration of Justice
  - ADJ-3 – Concepts of Criminal Law 3.0
  - OR
  - ADJ-4 – Criminal Evidence 3.0
  - OR
  - ADJ-5 – Criminal Court Process 3.0

- Business
  - BUS-18 – Legal Environment of Business 3.0

- Economics
  - ECO-1 – Principles of Microeconomics 3.0
  - OR
  - ECO-5 – Principles of Macroeconomics 3.0

- Public Policy
  - SJS-20 – Introduction to Social Justice 3.0
  - SOC-30 – Sociology of Latina/Latino in the US 3.0

- College Success
  - COU-1 – Student Success Seminar 3.0

- Public Policy
  - LAW-42 – Law and Public Service 3.0

SUBTOTAL: 28-29 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

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.