

Moorpark College

Associate in Arts in Law, Public Policy and Society (AA-T)

Program Goals and Objectives

The Associate in Arts in Law, Public Policy, and Society for Transfer Degree (AA-T) will provide a clear pathway and assist students in effortlessly transferring to a California State University (CSU). Completion of the AA-T will ensure transfer students will complete the lower division general education requirements as well as the lower division major requirements for a bachelor's degree in Law, Public Policy, and Society, or a major deemed similar by the CSU, prior to transferring.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

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

- describe the American legal system including its development, structure, and history.
- articulate their views on legal and political issues.
- evaluate diverse viewpoints.
- demonstrate a working knowledge of research methods and identify research questions, hypothesize and analyze, critique, and integrate source materials.

Catalog Description

The Associate in Science in Law, Public Policy, and Society for Transfer (AA-T) is intended for students who plan to transfer and complete a bachelor's degree in American Studies, Communications, Criminal Justice, Criminology, Global Intelligence and National Security, International Relations, Philosophy, Political Science, Social and Behavior Sciences (Political Economy Concentration), or a "similar" major at a CSU campus. Each CSU campus determines which of the degrees it offers are "similar" and can be completed with the preparation included The AS-T in the AA-T in Law, Public Policy and Society within 60 units once a student transfers, so which majors are "similar" varies from CSU. For a current list of what majors (and what options or areas of emphasis within that major) have been designated as "similar" to this degree at each CSU campus, please refer to the [CSU's Associate Degree for Transfer Major and Campus Search](#) webpage and seek guidance from a Moorpark College counselor. Students completing the AA-T in Law, Public Policy and Society degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not necessarily to a particular CSU campus or major.

To earn an AA-T in Law, Public Policy, and Society, students must:

1. Complete a minimum of 60 semester or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) requirements.
 - b. The required coursework for the AA-T in Law, Public Policy, and Society as listed in the Moorpark College catalog.
2. Complete all courses in the major and the Cal-GETC with a grade of “C” or better or “Pass/Credit” if the course is taken on a “pass-no-pass” basis. Even though a “Pass/Credit” grade is allowed, it is highly recommended that students complete their major courses with a letter grade (A, B, or C). **Note:** the UC system allows a maximum of 14 semester (21 quarter) units of courses graded “Pass/Credit” toward the 60 transferable semester units required for transfer admission.
3. Obtain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for admission, some transfer institutions and majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.
4. Complete a minimum of 12 semester units within the Ventura County Community College District.

Students transferring to a CSU campus that accepts the AA-T in Law, Public Policy, and Society will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor’s degree (unless the major is a designated “high-unit” major at a particular campus). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor to obtain more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
REQUIRED CORE: Select and Complete the following		25-26
Understanding the Law: One course		
CJ M01	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
or CJ M01H	Honors: Introduction to Criminal Justice	
CJ M02	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
CJ M05	Principles and Procedures of the Justice System	3
BUS M33	Business Law	3
Ethics: One course		
PHIL M02	Introduction to Ethics	3

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or PHIL M02H	Honors: Introduction to Ethics	
Oral Communication: One course		
COMM C1000	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
or COMM C1000H	Introduction to Public Speaking - Honors	
Written Communication: One course		
ENGL C1000	Academic Reading and Writing	4
or ENGL C1000H	Academic Reading and Writing - Honors	
Critical Thinking: One course		
ENGL C1001	Critical Thinking and Writing	3
or ENGL C1001H	Critical Thinking and Writing - Honors	
COMM M02	Introduction to Persuasion	3
COMM M107	Argumentation and Debate	3
PHIL M07	Introduction to Logic	3
Quantitative Reasoning: One course		
STAT C1000	Introduction to Statistics	4
or STAT C1000H	Introduction to Statistics - Honors	
or PSY M125	Statistics for the Behavioral and Social Sciences	
or SOC M125	Statistics for the Behavioral and Social Sciences	
U.S. History: One course		
HIST M130	United States History Through Reconstruction	3
HIST M140	United States History 1865 to the Present	3
American Government and Politics: One course		
POLS C1000	American Government and Politics	3
or POLS C1000H	American Government and Politics - Honors	
Units from LIST A		6
Total Units for Major		32

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LIST A: Select two courses (6 units) from two of the Areas listed below. NOTE: courses must not have been used above		
Area 1: Administration of Justice/Criminal Justice/Criminology		
CJ M01	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
or CJ M01H	Honors: Introduction to Criminal Justice	
CJ M02	Concepts of Criminal Law	3
CJ M03	Community Relations	3
CJ M04	Legal Aspects of Evidence	3
CJ M05	Principles and Procedures of the Justice System	3
CJ M14	Juvenile Procedures	3
CJ M41	Introduction to Probation, Parole and Corrections	3
SOC M160	Introduction to Criminology	3
Area 2: Business		
BUS M33	Business Law	3
Area 3: Economics		
ECON M201	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON M202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
or ECON M202H	Honors: Principles of Macroeconomics	
Area 4: Political Science		
POLS M01	Introduction to Politics	3
POLS M02	Comparative Politics	3
POLS M04	International Relations	3
POLS M06	Introduction to Political Theory	3
POLS M09	Introduction to Political Science Research Methods	3
Area 5: Public Policy		
JOUR M14	Digital Public Relations	3
SJS M110	Introduction to Social Justice Studies	3
SOC M115	Social Problems	3

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
Area 6: Diversity		
ANTH M02	Cultural Anthropology	3
COMM M12	Intercultural Communications	3
GEOG M02	Cultural Geography	3
SOC M140	Introduction to Gender	3
SOC M150	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	3
Underrepresented Groups approved for CSU GE Area D or E		
ANTH M06	Introduction to Native American Studies	3
ANTH M09	Sex, Gender, and Culture	3
ANTH M13	The Chumash and Their Neighbors: Indians of California	3
CD M05	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3
ETHS M01	Introduction to Chicana/o Studies	3
ETHS M10	Introduction to African American Studies	3
ETHS M40	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
FTMA M108	Women in Cinema	3
HIST M131	African American History to 1877	3
HIST M133	History of Mexican Americans	3
HIST M133	History of Mexican Americans	3
HIST M135	Native American History and Culture	3
HIST M137	History of American Women	3
or HIST M137H	Honors: History of American Women	
HIST M141	African American History Since 1877	3
HIST M145	Race and Ethnicity in American History	3
HIST M152	History of Asia from Prehistory to 1600	3
HIST M162	History of Asia From 1600 To The Present	3
HIST M164	History of Latin America	3
PSY M14	Cross-Cultural Psychology	3

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
Area 7 College Success: One course		
COUN M02	Career and Life Planning	3
COUN M05/COL M01	College Strategies	3
LS M03	Personal Development and Study Strategies	3
Internship/Fieldwork		
CJ M80	Internship in Criminal Justice	3
Total Units for Major		32
General Education Pattern (Cal-GETC)		34
Double-Counted Units		21-27
Elective Units		15-21
Total Units for the AA-T Degree		60