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Degrees: A.A. - English Communication and Literature
 A.A. - History of Creative Arts
 A.A. - The Individual and Society
 Certificates: CSU General Education
 Honors Transfer
 Intersegmental General Education Transfer (IGETC)

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

English Communication and Literature Degree

Major Code: 011159A01

This degree emphasizes verbal and written communication skills, and the study of literature. It offers a general background in communication skills which may be used in the work place. In addition to earning the degree, students who work closely with their counselor may also fulfill significant lower-division requirements of four-year colleges/universities in English Composition, Literature and Communication.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- apply the elements of style in writing.
- evaluate premises, both explicitly stated and implied.
- maximize communication effectiveness by planning and adapting to specific audiences.
- write analytically about literature.
- examine fiction as a reflection of the authors' cultures and values.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 3 units from the following: 3

- ENGWR 301 College Composition and Literature (3)
- or ENGWR 481 Honors College Composition and Literature (3)
- ENGWR 302 Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking (3)
- or ENGWR 482 Honors Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking (3)
- ENGWR 303 Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking Through Literature (4)
- SPEECH 301 Public Speaking (3)
- SPEECH 331 Group Discussion (3)
- SPEECH 361 The Communication Experience (3)

And a minimum of 12 units from the following: 12

- ENGLT 300 Introduction to Fiction (3)
- ENGLT 304 Introduction to Poetry (3)
- ENGLT 308 The Graphic Novel and Manga (3)
- ENGLT 310 English Literature I (3)
- ENGLT 311 English Literature II (3)
- ENGLT 320 American Literature (3)
- ENGLT 321 American Literature II (3)
- ENGLT 327 Literature of California (3)
- ENGLT 335 Latino, Mexican-American, and Chicano Literature (3)
- ENGLT 338 Native American Literature (3)
- ENGLT 340 World Literature I (3)
- ENGLT 341 World Literature II (3)
- ENGLT 345 Mythologies of the World (3)
- ENGLT 360 Women in Literature (3)
- ENGLT 365 Introduction to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Literature (3)
- ENGLT 370 Children and Literature (3)
- ENGLT 378 Young Adult Literature (3)
- ENGLT 380 Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
- ENGLT 382 Introduction to Dramatic Literature (3)
- ENGLT 392 Science Fiction and Fantasy (3)
- ENGLT 403 Film Adaptations (3)

- SPEECH 302 Persuasive Speech (3)
- SPEECH 311 Argumentation and Debate (3)
- SPEECH 321 Interpersonal Communication (3)

And a minimum of 3 units from the following: 3
 A minimum of 3 additional units chosen from either of the groups of courses listed above.

Associate Degree Requirements: The English Communication and Literature Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60-unit total. See ARC graduation requirements.

History of the Creative Arts Degree

Major Code: 011160A01

This degree provides an area of emphasis in the arts and humanities. It is intended for students who plan to transfer to a four-year college/university to earn a baccalaureate degree.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- recognize the role of the arts in society.
- analyze the influences of social, political and ethnic issues on the arts.
- compare and contrast styles of artistic expressions.
- assess the historical, artistic, social, and philosophical environments in an artistic genre.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 18 units from the following: 18

- ARTH 300 Introduction to Art (3)
- ARTH 302 Art: Stone Age Through the Middle Ages (3)
- ARTH 308 Renaissance Tradition in Art (3)
- ARTH 310 Modern Art (3)
- ARTH 322 Art History of the Non-Western World (3)
- ARTH 333 Introduction to Islamic Art (3)
- ARTH 334 International Contemporary Art (3)
- ARTNM 305 History of Graphic Design (3)
- FASHN 330 History of Western World Fashion (3)
- HUM 300 Classical Humanities (3)
- HUM 301 Introduction to the Humanities (3)
- HUM 302 Global Humanities: Atheism in Creativity, Thought, and Inspiration Traditions (3)
- HUM 310 Modern Humanities (3)
- HUM 320 Asian Humanities (3)
- HUM 324 Global Islam: Culture and Civilization (3)
- HUM 326 Middle Eastern Humanities (3)
- HUM 330 Humanities of the Americas (3)
- HUM 355 Introduction to World Religions (3)
- HUM 360 Introduction to the Old Testament (The Hebrew Bible) (3)
- HUM 365 Introduction to the New Testament (3)
- MUFHL 300 Introduction to Music (3)
- MUFHL 308 Introduction to Music: Rock & Roll (3)
- MUFHL 310 Survey of Music History and Literature (Greek Antiquity to 1750) (3)
- MUFHL 311 Survey of Music History and Literature (1750 to the present) (3)
- MUFHL 315 Jazz History (3)
- MUFHL 330 World Music (3)

TA 300	Introduction to the Theatre (3)
TA 302	History and Theory of the Theatre I (3)
TA 303	History and Theory of the Theatre II (3)
TA 306	Diversity in American Drama (1960 to Present) (3)
TAFILM 300	Introduction to Film (3)
TAFILM 302	History of Film (3)
TAFILM 303	History of Film: 1880's through 1950's (3)
TAFILM 304	History of Film: 1950's to Present (3)
TAFILM 307	Diversity in American Film (3)
TAFILM 320	Cinema Genres (3)

Associate Degree Requirements: The History of the Creative Arts Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60-unit total. See ARC graduation requirements.

The Individual and Society Degree

Major Code: 011161A01

This degree provides an area of emphasis in the effects of culture, religion, ethnicity, and gender on individuals living in a global society. It is designed for students wishing to work more effectively with others in the workplace. Students who work closely with their counselor can use this area of emphasis to prepare for majoring at a four-year college in Psychology, Sociology, Ethnic Studies, Women's Studies and Child Development.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- examine human diversity in relation to psychological theory.
- identify the consequences of ethnocentrism and gender bias on social interactions.
- analyze the influence of culture, family, society, and environment on an individual's development.
- analyze patterns of social problems which are based on ethnic and cultural differences in the United States.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 18 units from the following:.....18

ANTH 310	Cultural Anthropology (3)
ANTH 319	Visual Anthropology: Introduction to Ethnographic Film (3)
ANTH 320	Introduction to Archaeology and World Prehistory (3)
ANTH 330	Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion (3)
ANTH 333	American Indians of California (3)
ANTH 334	Native Peoples of North America (3)
ANTH 336	Anthropology of Sex, Sexuality and Gender (3)
ANTH 341	Introduction to Linguistics (3)
ANTH 480	Honors Physical Anthropology (3)
ANTH 481	Honors Cultural Anthropology (3)
ECE 314	The Child, the Family and the Community (3)
ECE 330	Infant and Toddler Development (3)
ECE 404	Children with Special Needs (3)
ECE 430	Culture and Diversity in Early Childhood Education (3)
ECE 432	Leadership in Diversity (3)
PSYC 300	General Principles (3)
PSYC 305	Psychology Applied to Modern Life (3)
PSYC 320	Social Psychology (3)
PSYC 340	Abnormal Behavior (3)
PSYC 342	Introduction to Applied Behavior Analysis (3)
PSYC 354	The Psychology of Family Life and Intimate Relationships in a Diverse Society (3)
PSYC 356	Human Sexuality (3)
PSYC 358	Principles of Interpersonal Relations (3)
PSYC 359	Stress Management and Health (3)
PSYC 361	Psychology of Women in a Multicultural Society (3)
PSYC 365	Issues of Diverse Populations (3)
or HSER 330	Issues of Diverse Populations (3)

PSYC 370	Human Development: A Life Span (3)
PSYC 372	Child Development (3)
or ECE 312	Child Development (3)
PSYC 373	Child Psychology (3)
PSYC 374	Psychology of Aging: Adult Development and Aging (3)
or GERON 302	Psychology of Aging: Adult Development and Aging (3)
PSYC 383	Introduction to Organizational Psychology (3)
PSYC 390	Psychology of Death and Dying (3)
PSYC 415	Studying in London: Psychological Elements of British Life and Culture (3)
PSYC 480	Honors General Principles (3)
PSYC 481	Honors Abnormal Behavior (3)
SOC 300	Introductory Sociology (3)
SOC 301	Social Problems (3)
SOC 309	Self and Society (3)
SOC 318	Introduction to Crime, Deviance, and Social Control (3)
SOC 320	Minorities in America (3)
SOC 325	Chicano Culture (3)
SOC 335	Sociology of Aging (3)
or GERON 300	Sociology of Aging (3)
SOC 342	Gender Relations in American Society (3)
SOC 350	Sociology of Popular Culture (3)
SOC 480	Introductory Sociology - Honors (3)

Associate Degree Requirements: The Individual and Society Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60-unit total. See ARC graduation requirements.

CSU General Education Certificate

Major Code: 011132C01

This certificate is designed for students planning to transfer to a California State University (CSU) campus. Completion of this certificate ensures that the student has met the lower division General Education requirements for all CSU campuses.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this certificate program, the student will be able to:

- explain the values of a culture as expressed through its art or language.
- demonstrate effective expository and persuasive writing skills.
- develop a reasoned solution to a problem.
- evaluate new and accepted ideas about the natural universe using testable methodology.
- evaluate the methods of inquiry and evidence used in the behavioral and social sciences.

Requirements for Certificate 39 Units

A minimum of 39 units from the following:.....39

Students must complete a minimum of 39 units used to satisfy the CSU General Education requirements. See the CSU General Education patterns listed in the American River College (ARC) catalog or consult with an ARC counselor.

Intersegmental General Education Transfer (IGETC) Certificate

Major Code, CSU: 011132C02
 Major Code, UC: 011132C03

This certificate is designed for students planning to transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) campus. It ensures that the student has met the lower division General Education/Breadth requirements for all CSU and UC campuses.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this certificate program, the student will be able to:

- explain the values of a culture as expressed through its art or language.
- demonstrate effective expository and persuasive writing skills.
- develop a reasoned solution to a problem.
- evaluate new and accepted ideas about the natural universe using testable methodology.
- evaluate the methods of inquiry and evidence used in the behavioral and social sciences.

Requirements for Certificate 34 - 37 Units

A minimum of 34-37 units from the following: 34-37

Students must complete a minimum of 34 - 37 units used to satisfy IGETC certification requirements. See the IGETC pattern in the American River College (ARC) catalog or consult with an ARC counselor.

Honors Transfer Certificate

Major Code: 011133C01

The American River College (ARC) Honors Program is a community of students and faculty who are dedicated to the pursuit of intellectual and personal enrichment in a diverse and challenging academic environment. Students may earn the Honors Transfer Certificate by completing 15 units of approved Honors coursework. A maximum of 6 units of Honors coursework may be transferred from other colleges. Some courses may need to be petitioned. A total of 12 units of degree-applicable coursework must be earned at ARC to meet residency requirements. Most courses in the certificate fulfill requirements for the ARC A.A., A.S., A.A.-T., A.S.-T. degrees, the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), and the CSU General Education Certification Pattern. Check with an ARC counselor for exceptions. Completion of the certificate with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or better offers enhanced prospects for transfer to elite four-year schools and enables students to participate in ARC's Transfer Alliance Partnership with UCLA. Honors students must meet with a counselor to ensure completion of ARC graduation and/or transfer requirements. In addition, Honors students should meet regularly with an Honors faculty advisor to ensure completion of the Honors certificate in a timely fashion.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this certificate program, the student will be able to:

- analyze the broad areas of human knowledge that contribute to purposeful and meaningful lives
- incorporate argumentative reasoning and logic involved in the process of advanced problem solving in an academic setting
- investigate advanced methods of inquiry and analysis employed in a variety of disciplines
- justify personal accomplishments as a highly motivated, self-directed individual in an advanced academic setting
- demonstrate cultural competence in a diverse academic setting

Requirements for Certificate 15 Units

A minimum of 15 units from the following: 15

ANTH 480	Honors Physical Anthropology (3)
ANTH 481	Honors Cultural Anthropology (3)
ASTR 481	Honors Astronomy: Stars, Galaxies, and Cosmology (4)
BIOL 482	Honors Marine Biology (4)
CISP 480	Honors Introduction to Structured Programming (5)
ENGWR 480	Honors College Composition (3)
ENGWR 481	Honors College Composition and Literature (3)
ENGWR 482	Honors Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking (3)
HIST 480	History of Western Civilization - Honors (3)
HIST 481	History of Western Civilization - Honors (3)
HIST 483	History of the United States - Honors (3)
HIST 484	History of the United States - Honors (3)
NUTRI 481	Honors - Cultural Foods of the World (3)
POLS 480	Introduction to International Relations - Honors (3)
POLS 481	Introduction to Government: United States - Honors (3)
PSYC 480	Honors General Principles (3)
PSYC 481	Honors Abnormal Behavior (3)
SOC 480	Introductory Sociology - Honors (3)