

AA/AS-T - Associate Degree for Transfer

Instructions for C-ID Course Approval and Local Degree Alignment to the TMC

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Note: The SJDC [Articulation Webpage](#) contains all links listed below and additional information regarding the implementation of SB 1440

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (SB 1440 – Padilla), signed into legislation on September 29, 2010, enables the California Community Colleges and California State University to collaborate on the creation of Associate in Arts Degree (AA) and Associate in Science (AS) Degree transfer programs. This new law requires community colleges to grant an associate degree for transfer to a student once a student has met specified general education and major requirements for the degree. Upon completion of the associate degree for transfer, the student is eligible for transfer with junior standing into the California State University (CSU) system

The Associate Degree for Transfer will consist of:

- 60 CSU transferable units
- Completion of the California State University-General Education Breadth requirements, or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum
- A minimum of 18 semester units on a major or area of emphasis
- Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0

Students are given guaranteed admission into the California State University (CSU) system, and further are given priority consideration when applying to a particular program that is similar to the student's community college major. The law prohibits the CSU from requiring a transferring student to repeat courses similar to those taken at the community college that counted toward their associate degree for transfer.

The Course Identification Numbering System (C-ID) is administered by the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges as a faculty-driven system for colleges and universities to facilitate the identification of comparable courses and increase articulation across all segments of higher education in the state. C-ID addresses the need for a "common course numbering system" to simplify student movement both within the California community colleges and intersegmentally. For additional background information on C-ID, please visit www.c-id.net. With the passage of SB 1440, C-ID became the basis of the new associate degrees for transfer and serve as the intersegmental agreement about course content and other details in the C-ID descriptors. Each Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) is comprised of courses, most of which already are or soon will be in the C-ID system. The core courses involved in the development of the AA/AS-T degrees will have C-ID numbers. Community colleges will be required to have local courses aligned with the C-ID descriptor and approved by C-ID faculty course reviewers. Course descriptors may be accessed at: <http://www.c-id.net/descriptors.html> Please be aware that it is the responsibility of discipline faculty to check often for new descriptors in their discipline.

Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) is developed by a Faculty Discipline Review Group (FDRG), composed of Intersegmental discipline faculty. The TMC is developed within the infrastructure of C-ID and is the statewide response to the mandate to develop community college "associate

degrees for transfer” in satisfaction of SB 1440. All TMC’s are vetted through the C-ID website allowing faculty from all systems to provide feedback on the content and development process.

For a comprehensive understanding of the entire C-ID and TMC development process, visit <http://www.c-id.net/> You are encouraged to contact the college articulation officer if you need assistance.

1. Print and review the Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC). The TMC is available at: <http://www.c-id.net/degreereview.html>
Determine which Delta College courses align with the courses listed on the TMC. (See 4 below for information about C-ID course descriptors). Enter the number, title and units of the SJDC courses on the TMC for future reference.
2. You will find instructions for developing AA-T and AS-T degrees, examples of approved Associate Degrees for Transfer and a webinar about developing AA/AS-T degrees at <http://www.sb1440.org/Curriculum.aspx> . These are valuable resources that will greatly assist you in the development and submission of your degree.
3. Review , complete and save the appropriate “Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) Template for Submitting AA-T and AS-T Degrees” from the California Community College Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) SB 1440 Website, Curriculum page, under Degree Submission Information at: <http://www.sb1440.org/Curriculum.aspx>

Enter the course information for the SJDC courses that you have determined to be comparable to the C-ID Designated courses. Save the completed electronic copy.

(Example: Introduction to Criminal Justice (3) C-ID AJ 110 = SJDC AJ 21 Introduction to Criminal Justice (3). Check the GE box if the SJDC course satisfies a CSU-GE Area)

4. Review and compare C-ID course descriptors to the comparable SJDC course outlines that will be used to develop the AA/AS-T degree. C-ID course descriptors may be viewed at: <http://www.c-id.net/descriptors.html> SJDC courses that are submitted for C-ID review and approval should include 100 % of the content listed on the C-ID course descriptor, including any prerequisites if required. The descriptor represents the minimum content necessary for C-ID approval. If the SJDC course outline does not align with the corresponding C-ID descriptor, the outline should be updated through the CurricUNET curriculum process to reflect the descriptor content as soon as possible. Effective January 1, 2013, all AA-T and AS-T proposals submitted to the Chancellor’s Office for review and approval must demonstrate that courses included in the degree have been submitted for C-ID numbers, where descriptors exist. If a course from another discipline with a C-ID number is used in the degree, please contact that discipline faculty to insure that the SJDC course has been aligned to the descriptor and has been submitted to C-ID for review. Please forward a list of the SJDC course numbers and their respective C-ID numbers to be used in the degree to the college articulation officer at: jsaunders@deltacollege.edu.
5. Enter the aligned degree in CurricUNET, following the instructions for building a new program or revising a current program. <http://www.curricunet.com/delta/>

6. Complete the narrative form that will accompany the template to the Chancellor's Office for approval. A blank narrative form for your use and a sample completed narrative form will be found here: <http://www.deltacollege.edu/dept/articulation/faculty.html> under "SB 1440 Information and Resources". Instructions for completing the narrative can be found on the California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) website at: <http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/AcademicAffairs/CurriculumandInstructionUnit/TransferModelCurriculum.aspx> under the General Instructions for AA-T and AS-T.
7. Prelaunch the degree in CurricUNET, send an electronic copy of the completed template and narrative form to jsaunders@deltacollege.edu and icotta@deltacollege.edu. The degree cannot be forwarded to the Curriculum Committee until the template and Narrative have been submitted. Any modifications to the course outline must also have been completed.

I will be happy to meet with you on a departmental or individual basis for discussion.
Please contact me if you have questions or need additional information
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To access the Articulation Website from the SJDC homepage:

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