A.A.-T. Associate Degree for Transfer

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Journalism

Students participating and completing the Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer degree at Gavilan College will have satisfied the transfer requirements for California State University programs and will have a higher probability for acceptance at University of California programs. Students in the Journalism program learn about various news media forms—newspapers, magazines, television and the Internet—as the basis of a foundational education in journalism. Students practice journalism and become media practitioners as most journalism courses offer a unique opportunity to develop publishable work for the Gavilan Press, Gavilan College’s student newspaper as well as other digital news venues. The Journalism program is an active part of the Media Arts program and offers all students the opportunity to collaborate with those from the disciplines of film, video production, digital media and photography.

Program Learning Outcomes: Upon completing the Associate in Arts in Journalism for Transfer degree a student will be able to:
- plan, formulate and compose news stories requiring them to restate facts, describe people and conditions and explain and report on current events;
- describe and translate constitutionally guaranteed freedom of speech into practical language;
- define libel and best ethical journalistic practices differentiating between standard and substandard ethics;
- define and apply standard journalistic practices
- appraise and revise each others' stories;
- critically analyze and interpret current events, campus organizational structures and local, regional and national events;
- demonstrate and apply journalistic standards and ethics when selecting news and stories to be covered.

Students are required to complete:
- A minimum of 18 semester units in the major with a grade of C or better while maintaining a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework.
- Title 5 section 55063(a) requires that students must earn a C or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.
- Completion of 60 semester CSU-transferable units using the California State University-General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE-Breadth); OR the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern.
- No more than 60 semester units are required.

Requirements:

CORE COURSES (9 units)
- JOUR 10 Mass Media and Society (3 units)
- JOUR 16A Writing for Print and Digital Media (3 units)
- JOUR 18A Print and Digital News I (3 units)
- List A: Select one (3 units)
  - JOUR 18B Print and Digital News II (3 units)
- List B: Select two (6 units)
  - ART 8A Beginning Photography from Analog to Digital (3 units)
  - PHIL 2 Introduction to Logic (3 units)
  - PHIL 4 Critical Thinking and Writing (3 units)
  - or -
  - ENGL 1C Critical Reasoning and Writing (3 units)

Total units for the major: 18 units
Total units that may be double counted: 9 units
CSU GE Breadth or IGETC units: 39 - 42 units
Electives (CSU transferable) units: 9 - 12 units
Total degree units (maximum): 60 units

DOUBLE COUNTING RULE
A course may be used to satisfy both general education and major courses. See "Double Counting Rule" on page 47.