



# Journalism AA-T Degree - Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum, Univ of Cal & Cal State Univ

This degree is designed for students who plan to transfer to a CSU/UC. This program is designed to train students in the writing, reporting, and critical thinking skills required for jobs in the news media or to transfer to a four-year institution's journalism program. Other than the required core, the courses you choose to complete will depend to some extent on the selected CSU for transfer. Students wishing to transfer to other non-CSU universities need to meet with a CRC counselor.

**Total Units:** 60-62

## First Year

### Semester 1

16 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS <sup>A</sup>	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
<b>JOUR 300</b> <sup>(Z)</sup> Newswriting and Reporting	3		F, S	
<b>JOUR 310</b> <sup>1 (Z)</sup> Mass Media and Society	3		F(O), S(O), Su	IGETC Area 4
<b>STAT 300</b> <sup>(Z)</sup> Introduction to Probability and Statistics	4	MATH 120 or 125	F(O), S(O), Su(O)	IGETC Area 2
<b>IGETC Area 1A-English Composition</b> <sup>(Z)</sup>	3	Recommend meeting with a counselor	F, S, Su	IGETC Area 1A
<b>Any Transferrable Elective</b> <sup>2</sup>	3		F, S, Su	

<sup>(Z)</sup> At least one section of this course is offered with free textbooks and is labeled as zero textbook costs (ZTC). If it is a GE area class or elective, there may be several ZTC offerings to fulfill the GE requirement. Use the Free Textbook filter to find these courses. Learn more on the [ZTC page of the college website](#).

<sup>1</sup> Also listed as RTVF 300.

<sup>2</sup> Units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to [Course Number](#) for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

### Semester 2

15 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS <sup>A</sup>	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
<b>JOUR 410</b> <sup>(Z)</sup> College Media Production I	3	ENGWR 101	F, S	
<b>3 units from List A</b> <sup>1</sup>	3	See List A	See List A	

## Career Options/Outlook:

There are many different career opportunities in this field. For example, a journalist with advanced degrees collects and analyzes facts about newsworthy events by interview, investigation, or observation; reports and writes stories for newspaper, news magazine radio, or television. Journalists receive assignments or evaluate leads or tips to develop story ideas, research a story's background information to provide complete and accurate information, arrange interviews with people who can provide information about a story, report news stories for publication or broadcast. **Career opportunities require more than an associate degree.**

## A sample of reported job titles:

Journalist, Magazine editor, columnist, public information officer, broadcast news writer, newspaper reporter, editor, desktop publishing specialist, web writer/editor/producer, broadcast news producer, social media producer.

## Projected job openings in California (2020-2030):

540

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IGETC Area 1C-Oral Communication <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 1C
IGETC Area 3A-Arts <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 3A
IGETC Area 1B-Critical Thinking <sup>1</sup> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 1B

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<sup>1</sup> Suggestion-ENGWR 302 from List A.

## Year 2

### Semester 3

16 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS <sup>^</sup>	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
<b>JOUR 411</b> <sup>Z</sup> College Media Production II or	3	JOUR 410; Advisory: JOUR 300, 355, 404, or PHOTO 302	F, S	
<b>JOUR 351</b> <sup>Z</sup> Public Relations Writing and Media Techniques	3		S	
<b>IGETC Area 5A-Physical Science or 5B-Biological Science</b> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 5A or 5B
<b>IGETC Area 5C-Physical/Biol Lab</b> <sup>Z</sup>	1		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 5C
<b>IGETC Area 3A-Arts or 3B-Humanities</b> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 3A or 3B
<b>3 units from List A</b> <sup>1</sup>	3		F, S, Su	
<b>Any Transferable Elective</b> <sup>2</sup>	3		F, S, Su	

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## Projected growth in California (2020-2030):

9% growth

## Median Salary in California with advanced degree (2021):

\$49,850/yr

## Source:

<https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/27-3022.00>

## Transfer notes:

Please meet with a counselor for specific transfer course evaluation or transferring to a specific 4-year institution.

## General Education (GE):

Non-specified GE courses identified by CRC Area, CSU Area or IGETC Area without pre- or co-requisite can be taken at any semester.

## Honors option:

The CRC Honors Program is designed specifically for academically accomplished students and for students with the potential for high achievement. Students who complete 15 units or more in honors-designated courses will earn special recognition as an Honors Scholar, a distinction that may entitle the student to guaranteed transfer and scholarship opportunities at select transfer colleges and universities.

## About this program map:

<sup>1</sup> Suggestion-JOUR 320, POLS 301 from List A. Units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to [Course Number](#) for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

<sup>2</sup> Suggestion-ECON 302 or ECON 304 from List A. Units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to [Course Number](#) for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

## Semester 4

13-15 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS <sup>^</sup>	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
<b>IGETC Area 5A-Physical Science or 5B-Biological Science (not taken in Semester 3)</b> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 5A or 5B
<b>IGETC Area 3B-Humanities</b> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 3B
<b>IGETC Area 7-Ethnic Studies</b> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 7
<b>IGETC Area 4-Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences</b> <sup>1</sup> <sup>Z</sup>	3		F, S, Su	IGETC Area 4
<b>Any Transferable Elective</b> <sup>2</sup>	1-3		F, S, Su	

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<sup>^</sup>You must have passed the prerequisite course(s) with a "C" or better; Corequisite must be taken during the same semester; Advisory means it is recommended but not required to enroll in the course.

\*(O) = online available (P) = partially online

<sup>1</sup> Select a non-JOUR course to meet IGETC Area 4.

<sup>2</sup> Suggestion-JOUR 351, COMM 363 from List A. Units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to [Course Number](#) for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

## List A-a minimum of 6 units from the following:

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS <sup>^</sup>	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
<b>JOUR 320</b> <sup>Z</sup> Race and Gender in the Media	3		F	IGETC Area 4
<b>COMM 311</b> <sup>Z</sup> Argumentation and Debate	3	ENGWR 300	F, S	IGETC Area 1B
<b>COMM 363</b> <sup>Z</sup> Introduction to Communication Theory	3	Advisory: ENGWR 101	F(O), S, Su(O)	

This program map represents one possible pathway to complete the program. Please see a counselor to create an education plan customized to meet your needs. This map is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

## Zero Textbook Costs (ZTC):

The Zero Textbook Costs designation and logo are added to any course that provides free access to all required instructional materials. These are typically shared with students through Canvas. Courses that are designated as ZTC may still require students to purchase supplemental materials such as lab coats, a calculator, art supplies, etc. See full definitions and searching tips on the [Zero Textbook Costs page](#) of the college website.

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS^	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
<b>ECON 302</b> <sup>Z</sup> Principles of Macroeconomics <b>or</b>	3	MATH 100 or 102	F(O), S(O), Su(O)	IGETC Area 4
<b>ECON 304</b> <sup>Z</sup> Principles of Microeconomics	3	MATH 100 or 102	F(O), S(O), Su(O)	IGETC Area 4
<b>ENGWR 302</b> <sup>Z</sup> Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking	3	ENGWR 300	F(P), S(P), Su(P)	IGETC Area 1B
<b>PHOTO 302</b> <sup>Z</sup> Beginning Digital Photography	3		F, S	
<b>POLS 301</b> <sup>Z</sup> Introduction to Government: United States	3		F(O), S(O), Su	IGETC Area 4
<b>POLS 302</b> Comparative Politics	3		S, Su(O)	IGETC Area 4
<b>STAT 300</b> <sup>Z</sup> Introduction to Probability and Statistics	4	MATH 120 or 125	F(O), S(O), Su(O)	IGETC Area 2

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