BACHELOR OF ARTS IN AMERICAN STUDIES – LPPS ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER ROADMAP

This is a sample pathway for students who transfer to San Francisco State University in the current Bulletin year with an AA-T in Law, Public Policy and Society. Six units in the major [electives] and all lower-division GE requirements have been satisfied. Check with a major advisor about the most appropriate course sequence. Degree completion guaranteed in 60 units; see the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) section for more information (http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer-students).

Course Title Units

First Semester
AMST 200 Introduction to American Studies (Major Core) 3
HUM 450/AMST 410 California Culture (Major Core, UD-C) 3
Select One (Major Core): 3
HUM 485/AMST 310 The Arts and American Culture (UD-C, AERM) 3
HUM 490 American Images: Photography and Literature (UD-C) 3
Major Elective (18 units) - Take One 1 3
University Elective 3
Units 15

Second Semester
AMST 300GW Junior Seminar in American Studies - GWAR (Major Core) 3
Major Elective (18 units) - Take Two 1 6
University Elective – Take Two 6
Units 15

Third Semester
Select One (Major Core): 3
GEOG 455 Geography of Ethnic Communities (AERM, SJ) 3
GEOG 550 Geography of the United States and Canada
GEOG 552 Geography of California (UD-D, AERM, ES, SJ)
Major Elective (18 units) - Take One 1 3
GE Area UD-B: Upper-Division Physical and/or Life Sciences 3
University Elective – Take Two 6
Units 15

Fourth Semester
Major Elective (18 units) - Take Two 1 6
GE Area UD-D: Upper-Division Social Sciences 3
or University Elective if requirement already fulfilled 6
University Elective – Take Two 15
Total Units 60

1 Elective Courses (18 units)
Courses, by choice and advisement, on a topic or theme in American Studies, drawn from at least two disciplines. For students with GPA 3.0 or higher, electives can include a senior course on advisement: Independent Study (699) on a specific topic connected to prior coursework, to be developed through consultation with the coordinator and faculty from the appropriate department (3 - 6 units). Courses especially appropriate as electives for the American Studies major are offered by the following departments (not an exclusive list):
• Africana Studies
• American Indian Studies
• Art
• Asian American Studies
• Cinema
• English
• Geography
• History
• Humanities
• Journalism
• Latina/Latino Studies
• Music
• Political Science
• Race and Resistance Studies
• Social Science
• Urban Studies and Planning
• Women and Gender Studies

To Do at SF State:
Enough total units to reach 120 minimum for graduation; 40 units minimum at the upper-division level; to include the following:

University-wide requirements: 9 units
• American Institutions (0 units): The AA-T in Law, Public Policy and Society Core includes courses that satisfy this requirement.
• Upper-Division GE (9 units): Courses required for the major may double-count if approved for UD GE.
• Students entering the major with the AA-T in Law, Public Policy and Society are not required to fulfill SF State Studies requirements.
• Complementary Studies: Consult with a department advisor on how transfer units and/or SF State units can be applied to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

American Studies major: 33 units
• Required Courses (15 units) – includes GWAR-designated course.
• Elective Courses (18 units) – Courses, by choice and advisement, on a topic or theme in American Studies, drawn from at least two disciplines. Consult University Bulletin for a list of appropriate departments. Consult with department advisor about applying up to 6 units from the ADT.
University Electives: 24 units or more
Units depending on course choices made at the community college, how transferred units are applied to the requirements above, and course choices at SF State - some courses may meet more than one requirement, e.g. both in UD GE and the major.