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
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**First Semester**
AMST 305 | Topics in 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 | | 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 | | 6
University Elective – Take Two | | 6
**Units** | **15**

**Third Semester**
Select One (Major Core):
GEOG 455 | Geography of Ethnic Communities (AERM, S,J) | 3
GEOG 550 | Geography of the United States and Canada | 3
GEOG 552 | Geography of California (UD-D, AERM, ES, SJ) | 3
Major Elective (18 units) - Take One | | 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 | | 6
GE Area UD-D: Upper-Division Social Sciences | | 3
or University Elective if requirement already fulfilled | | 6
University Elective – Take Two | | 6
**Units** | **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; 30 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.