

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN AMERICAN STUDIES – LPPS ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER (ADT) 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** (<https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer-students/>).

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 (18 units) – includes GWAR-designated course.
- Elective Courses (15 units) – Courses, by choice and advisement, on a topic or theme in American Studies, drawn from at least two disciplines. Consult the University Bulletin for a list of appropriate departments. Consult with a department advisor about applying up to 6 units from the ADT.

University Electives: 24 units or more

Units depend 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.

Course	Title	Units
First Semester		
Select One (Major Core):		3
AMST/LS 200	Self, Place, and Knowing: Introduction to Interdisciplinary Inquiry	
AMST/HUM 225	Values in American Life (GE 3B, AERM)	
HUM 450/AMST 410/ENG 450	California Culture (Major Core, GE 3UD)	3

Select One (Major Core):		3
HUM 485/AMST 310	The Arts and American Culture (GE 3UD, AERM)	
HUM 490	American Images: Photography and Literature (GE 3UD)	
Major Elective (15 units) ¹		3
University Elective		3
		Units 15
Second Semester		
HUM 300GW	Reading and Writing Across Creative Forms - GWAR (Major Core)	3
Major Elective (15 units) ¹		3
400-level History Course		3
University Elective – Take Two		6
		Units 15
Third Semester		
Select One (Major Core):		3
GEOG 421	Future Environments (UD-D, ES, GP, SJ)	
GEOG/USP 433	Urban Transportation	
GEOG 455	Justice and Belonging: Intersecting Geographies of Race and Ethnicity (AERM, SJ)	
GEOG 552	Geography of California (UD-D, AERM, ES, SJ)	
Major Elective (15 units) ¹		3
GE Area 5UD or 2UD: Upper-Division Sciences or Upper-Division Mathematical Concepts		3
University Elective – Take Two		6
		Units 15
Fourth Semester		
Major Elective (15 units) - Take Two ¹		6
GE Area 4UD: Upper-Division Social and Behavioral Sciences or University Elective if requirement already fulfilled		3
University Elective – Take Two		6
		Units 15
		Total Units 60

¹ **Elective Courses (15 units)**
Courses, by choice and advisement, on a topic or theme in American Studies, drawn from at least two disciplines. See coordinator and website for recommended elective pathways. Up to 6 units may be in community college or lower-division coursework. 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 course work, 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:

- Africana Studies
- American Indian Studies
- 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