



**Liberal Arts AA Degree with Area of Emphasis  
Cypress College 2015-2016  
HUMAN COMMUNICATION emphasis**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID@ \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Transfer To \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor \_\_\_\_\_

The Liberal Arts degree with Area of Emphasis provides students with the opportunity to earn a degree within a broad liberal arts education, allowing them to understand the intellectual relationships between various disciplines in a broader Area of Emphasis. Earning an Associate Degree may or may not be the most effective path to fulfilling transfer requirements. The courses listed for each Area of Emphasis in the Cypress College catalog do not reflect major preparation requirements at any specific university, but some may be used to fulfill local university requirements. **Please consult with a counselor and the Transfer Center for information regarding selection of an appropriate general education pattern and pertinent classes, as well as your intended major at the specific colleges/universities of choice.**

Requirements for the Liberal Arts Degree with Area of Emphasis include:

- Completion of California State University General Education Breadth requirements (CSU GE Breadth) or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC).
- Completion of at least 18 units in an Area of Emphasis from those outlined below. (Note: Where appropriate, courses in the Area of Emphasis may also be counted for a GE area).
- A 2.0 (C) overall GPA and a 2.0 (C) in all courses taken in the Area of Emphasis.
- **Fulfillment of all graduation requirements, to include one (1) unit of physical education and three (3) units of Cultural Diversity for a total of 60 transferable units.**

Note: Completion of this Area of Emphasis degree option automatically meets the Reading Proficiency requirement.

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The Human Communication option under Liberal Arts is an ideal choice for students planning on transferring to the California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC). Students are able to satisfy both their transfer institution's general education requirements, plus focus on the transfer major preparation course work required by the four-year university. The Area of Emphasis listed below includes courses that transfer to CSU and/or UC. Courses in **BOLD** are transferable to UC. Refer to [www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org) for further details.

This degree emphasizes the content of communication as well as the form and should provide an understanding of the psychological basis and social significance of communication. Students will be able to assess communication as the process of human symbolic interaction. Students will also develop skills in the areas of reasoning and advocacy, organization, accuracy, reading and listening effectively. Students will be able to integrate important concepts of critical thinking as related to the development of analysis, critical evaluation, to reason inductively and deductively that will enable them to make important decisions regarding their own lives and society at large.

(Check boxes accordingly) Legend: C= Completed IP= In Progress R= Remaining

	C	IP	R
<b>Select 18 or more units from at least 2 discipline areas:</b>			
<b>COMM 100C (100HC), 135C, 138C, 238C</b>			
<b>ENGL 100C (100HC), 103C, 103(HC), 104C (104HC), 106C</b>			
<b>PHIL 170C, 172C, 175C</b>			

**SPECIAL NOTE:** This degree is an Associate Degree designed for transfer students; **however, it does not qualify as an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)** for CSU priority admission consideration. Please see a counselor for more information on differences in degree options offered at Cypress College for transfer students.