

## **Board of Trustees Agenda Item**

**Board Meeting Date:** August 27, 2012

**Title of Item:** Approval of Associate in Arts Degree in History for Transfer

### **Background and Analysis:**

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Senate Bill 1440, now codified in California Education Code sections 66746-66749) guarantees admission to a California State University (CSU) campus for any community college student who completes an “associate degree for transfer”, a newly established variation of the associate degrees traditionally offered at a California community college. The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing these degrees (AA-T or AS-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. In order to earn one of these degrees, students must complete a minimum of 60 required semester units of CSU-transferable coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Students transferring to a CSU campus that does accept the AA-T or AS-T will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor’s degree (unless the major is a designated “high-unit” major).

De Anza College seeks Board approval for application to the State Chancellor’s Office for a new degree developed based on Transfer Model Curriculum in order to fulfill the requirements set forth in SB1440 Legislation. The following application is being made for state approval:

### **Associate in Arts in History for Transfer (AA-T)**

De Anza’s Curriculum Committee has approved this Associate Degree for Transfer.

**Recommendation:** De Anza President Brian Murphy recommends approval

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Is backup provided?	Yes

## **Development Criteria Narrative**

### **Associate in Arts in History for Transfer**

#### Criteria A: Appropriateness to Mission

##### **1. Statement of Program Goals and Objectives**

The Associate in Arts in History for Transfer is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in History at a CSU campus. Students completing this degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. Students transferring to a CSU campus that does accept this degree will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree. This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system. In all cases, students should consult with a counselor for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

This degree will prepare students to pursue further study and achievement of a baccalaureate degree in the discipline of History. Students in this major should be able to use secondary and primary sources to construct historical analyses of the human condition within the context of various cultures, civilizations, and time periods.

##### **2. Catalog Description**

The History major consists of courses appropriate for an Associate in Arts in History for Transfer degree, which provides a foundational understanding of the discipline, a breadth of coursework in the discipline, and preparation for transfer to any CSU that accepts the Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC).

Upon completion of this degree, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate and apply historical knowledge to support defensible statements of meaning and evaluation about a time period's developments.
- Use secondary and primary sources to construct historical analyses of the human condition within the context of various cultures, civilizations and time periods.

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college that is not part of the CSU system. In all cases, students should consult with a counselor for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

To earn this degree, students must meet the following requirements:

- completion of the following major requirements with grades of C or better;
- completion 90 CSU-transferable quarter units with a grade point average of at least 2.0; and
- certified completion of either the California State University General Education Breadth pattern (CSU GE) or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC).

### 3. Program Requirements

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Course Title (quarter units)	Quarter Units
Required Core: History of the United States to Early National Era (HIST 17A) History of the United States from 1800 to 1900 (HIST 17B) History of the United States from 1900 to the present (HIST 17C)	4 4 4
List A: Complete 12 units in either the World History or Western Civilization series World History to 750 C.E (HIST 3A) World History 750 C.E. to 1750 C.E. (HIST 3B) World History 1750 C.E. to present (HIST 3C) OR History of Western Civilization from origins through Hellenistic Era) (HIST 4A) History of Western Civilization from Roman Republic to Middle Ages (HIST 4B) History of Western Civilization from 13 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> centuries (HIST 4C) History of Western Civilization from Revolutionary Era to present (HIST 4D)	12
List B: One course from the following group: History of Africa to 1800 (HIST 16A) History of Africa from 1800 to the present (HIST 16B) History of Asian Civilization: China and Japan (through the 18 <sup>th</sup> Century) (HIST 19A) History of Asian Civilization: China and Japan (19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> Century) (HIST 19B) Colonial Latin American History (HIST 7A) Modern Latin American History (HIST 7B)	4
One course from the following group: Introduction to California Studies (HIST 2) Women in American History (HIST 9) History of California (HIST 10) African American History before 1865 (HIST 18A) African American History since 1865 (HIST 18B) Social Environmental History (HIST 28)	4

**Total units for the Major:**

**32**

CSU GE or IGETC Pattern:

47-61

Transferable Electives

(as needed to reach 90 transferable units)

**DEGREE TOTAL:**

**90 QUARTER Units**

#### 4. Background and Rationale

Faculty in the History Department at De Anza reviewed the Associate of Arts degree in History TMC. It was decided that the TMC option for developing this degree provides an additional pathway for students with this major who can earn this degree and who want to transfer into the major at a CSU in the future.

#### Criteria B: Need

#### 6. Place of Program in Curriculum/Similar Programs (at your college)

The History department does not offer any other degrees or certificates. This will be our first such program at De Anza College.

#### Criteria C: Curriculum Standards

TMC History template, course outlines, and transfer applicability reports are included as part of this application.

#### Criteria D: Adequate Resources

There are adequate resources currently available with regards to facilities and equipment and library resources. There are enough faculty within the History discipline to support the classes offered in this degree program.

#### Criteria E: Compliance

There are no enrollment restrictions specific to this program. There are no licensing or accrediting standards that apply to this program.