

Fall 2013 CSU Mentor Application for Admission Information Regarding Reporting AA-T/AS-T Degree Completion

Based upon the experiences from fall 2012 and recommendations from the California State University (CSU) and California Community Colleges (CCC), several enhancements were made to the CSU Mentor application for admission for fall 2013. To provide more accurate data, logic was included to limit entry of AA-T/AS-T degrees to those formally approved by the CCC Chancellor's Office. Additionally, the question was split to clarify desired information from applicants.

Due to the continuous development and approval of associate degrees (AA-T or AS-T) for transfer, there will be a number of recently-approved community college AA-T and AS-T degrees that will not be displayed on the degree pulldown list when a student is completing the transfer section on the CSU Mentor Fall 2013 application. To ensure operational stability and provide a uniform experience to applicants, once the priority application term is open, changes to the site are limited to edits of text. The file of officially approved AA-T and AS-T degrees was provided by the CCC Chancellor's Office in August 2012 and loaded into CSU Mentor for validation of fall 2013 applicant responses.

Applicants completing the transfer section of the CSU Mentor application for admission are asked (1) if they are completing or have already earned an AA-T or AS-T degree at a California Community College. If the answer is yes, a list of the colleges they identified previously in the application is displayed in the transfer section. A pop window appears (2) with listing the colleges approved degrees. The applicant then selects the college awarding the degree from the displayed list. If the degree they are completing does not display in the pop up window, (3) applicants are advised how to proceed with the application.

Associate of Arts for Transfer/Associate of Science for Transfer Program

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (SB 1440) enabled the California Community Colleges and California State University to collaborate on the creation of Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) degree and Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree programs.

PLEASE NOTE: AA-T/AS-T degrees recently approved for California Community Colleges may not appear in the program selection popup. If your program is not listed, please select "No" for the following question in order to continue filling out the application. After submitting the application, notify the admissions office at the CSU campus to which you have applied of the AA-T/AS-T degree you are completing.

TO ALL AA-T/AS-T APPLICANTS: Once you have submitted your graduation evaluation at the community college at which you completed evaluation to each CSU to which you have applied, you will be able to select the CSU campus to which you are applying.

Are you currently completing or have already earned an AA-T or AS-T degree at a California Community College? **1**

Transfer Guarantee

Are you currently in a dual admission or transfer guarantee program at a California Community College?

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER (AA-T) / ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER (AS-T) PROGRAM SELECTION

The following is a list of approved transfer programs for SANTA MONICA COLLEGE. Please select the AA-T/AS-T program you are currently completing or have completed:

- Art History (AA-T)
- Business Administration (AS-T)
- Early Childhood Education (AS-T)
- History (AA-T)
- Mathematics (AS-T)

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Once you have selected your program, click the "continue to the next screen" link below.

If your transfer program is not listed above, please contact the admissions office at your community college for further information.

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As noted on the application, recently approved degrees will not appear in the application for selection. To proceed with the application, the applicant must return to step one, removing the “yes” (1) selection. Otherwise the system will not allow them to continue with the application.

The applicant is then asked to do the following:

1. Petition for a graduation evaluation (4) at the community college at which the degree will be earned and provide a copy of the completed evaluation to each CSU to which she/he has applied.
2. Notify each CSU campus’ admission office to which they are applying (preferably with an email) of their intention to earn the AA-T or AS-T degree. The transfer applicant should include in their email:
 - Name of the community college granting the degree
 - Dates attended
 - Number of units completed as of the date of the application
 - Anticipated degree completion date

Community college counselors are asked to advise their students completing the “For California Community College Students Only” section on the CSU Mentor application form of this possible issue in the transfer section when an AA-T/AS-T degree has been recently approved.

CSU campuses have been advised that applicants may only select approved degrees; however additional degrees may have been approved since the final file was provided by the CCC Chancellor’s Office. They anticipate receiving notices and graduation evaluations from applicants who are pursuing recently-approved AA-T/AS-T degrees. CSU campuses can verify the newly approved community college degree by checking the similar degree report posted on the SB1440.org website.