



# Social and Behavioral Sciences Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs) Program Map: Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer for Social Justice Studies: Gender Studies

Total number of units: 60-62 units

Top Code/Academic Plan: 2201.70

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Fall	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	SOC 022	<b>Sociology of Women</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 4. This course is a core requirement of the Social Justice: Gender Studies Program.	Offered Fall and Spring at Monterey Park campus only.
Program/GE Course	HISTORY 052	<b>The Role of Women in the History of the U.S.</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 4. This course satisfies the History/Government requirement of the Social Justice: Gender Studies Program.  This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program website</a> or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .	Offered Fall and Spring at Monterey Park campus as well as online.
GE Course	ENGLISH 101	<b>College Reading and Composition I</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 1A.  This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program website</a> or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .	This course may have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course	MATH 227	<b>Statistics</b>	<b>4</b>	IGETC AREA 2. MATH 227 is required to transfer to UC, CSU. Prerequisite: MATH 137 (preferred), MATH 125 or MATH 125S or Math 134.  MATH 227 has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program website</a> or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .	

**Total Units 13**

Winter	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course	Any GE or transferrable Elective to reach 60 units		<b>3</b>	Recommended disciplines: African-American Studies, Asian-American Studies, Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, Women and Gender Studies. See list of approved courses	

**Total Units 3**

Spring	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	SOC 011	<b>Race and Ethnic Relations</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 4. This course is a core requirement of the AA in Social Justice: Gender Studies Program.  This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program website</a> or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .	Offered online and in person.

Spring	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	HEALTH 008	<b>Women's Personal Health</b>	<b>3</b>	HEALTH 008 satisfies AREA E of the CSU requirements. If you are not transferring to a CSU, you can take CHICANO 047, ENGLISH 239, SOC 001 or SOC 002 to satisfy the Major Preparation requirement of the Social Justice: Gender Studies Program. CHICANO 047 and SOC 002 have sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program website</a> or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .	SOC 002 may have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course	ENGLISH 102 or 103	<b>College Reading and Composition II or Composition and Critical Thinking</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 1B. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program website</a> or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .	This course may have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course	COMM 101	<b>Communication Studies</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 1C. COMM 101 is part of CSU admissions requirements.	

**Total Units 12**

Summer	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course	Any from approved list		<b>3 to 5</b>	IGETC AREA 6A or Elective - Language other than English; UC requirement only. Students should meet with a counselor to discuss transfer-specific requirements.	

**Total Units 3 to 5**

Fall	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	ARTHIST 181	<b>History of Women and Art</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 3. Satisfies the Arts and Humanities requirement of the Social Justice: Gender Studies Program. Other course options are ENGLISH 239, HUMAN 008, and PHILOS 044.	
Program/GE Course	Any from the Social Sciences Area 3 of the Program		<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 4. PSYCH 032, CHICANO 047, CHICANO 050, or ANTHRO 109 are recommended because they are program requirements. Chicano Studies courses will meet the CSU Ethnic Studies requirement.	ANTHRO 109 only offered Fall.
Program/GE Course	Any from the Social Sciences Area 3 of the Program		<b>3</b>	ENGLISH 239, HUMAN 008, ARTHIST 181, PHILOS 044 satisfy the Arts and Humanities category of the Social Justice AA degree. ENGLISH 239 and HUM 008 also satisfy IGETC AREA 3B. ARTHIST 181 satisfies IGETC 3A.	HUMAN 008 is only offered in the spring. ENGLISH 239 is only offered in the fall.
GE Course	Any from approved list		<b>3</b>	IGETC AREA 5A.	

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GE Course	Any GE or transferrable Elective to reach 60 units		<b>3</b>	Recommended disciplines: African-American Studies, Asian-American Studies, Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, Women and Gender Studies. See list of approved courses.	

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Spring	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	POL SCI 019	<b>Women in Politics</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC Area 4. The department suggests this course because HISTORY 052 above already satisfies the History/Government requirement of the Program.	POL SCI 019 only offered in spring. POL SCI 019 may have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program/GE Course	PHILOS 044	<b>Feminist Philosophy</b>	<b>3</b>	IGETC Area 3B. This is a recommended course, but additional course options- ENGLISH 239, HUMAN 008, ARTHIST181- are available to satisfy the Arts and Humanities requirement of the Program.	
GE Course	Any from approved list		<b>3</b>	IGETC Area 5B.	
GE Course	Any from approved list		<b>2</b>	IGETC Area 5C.	
GE Course	Any GE or transferrable Elective to reach 60 unit		<b>3</b>	Recommended disciplines: African-American Studies, Asian-American Studies, Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, Women and Gender Studies. See list of approved courses.	

**Total Units    14**

#### **Degree Path and Requirements:**

The Associate in Arts degree for Transfer in Social Justice: Gender Studies is designed to meet the minimum requirements for transfer to a California State University (CSU) Bachelor of Arts Degree program in Women Studies, Gender Studies, or a related field at a CSU. The transfer degree assures a competitive advantage for transfer opportunities at CSUs. The degree provides a foundational set of preparatory courses designed to maximize their transfer success as they pursue a degree in Women Studies, Gender Studies or a related field.

Students are required to complete a minimum of 60 semester units of CSU transferable coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.0, including a minimum of 18 units in the major with a grade of "C" for each course in the major, and completion of the IGETC or the CSU GE requirements.

This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with [counselors](#).

#### **Department Advising Notes:**

Social Justice Studies- Gender Studies AA-T degree is part of an interdisciplinary program called Women and Gender Studies (WGS). WGS courses are interdisciplinary, therefore they double count for the Social Justice Studies- Gender Studies AA-T degree as well as for subject degree. For example, PHILOS 044 counts for the Social Justice Studies- Gender Studies AA-T degree and for the Philosophy degree. Students can find more information about the Women and Gender Studies Program [here](#).

This program map was used using IGETC requirements. This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with counselors. Students should consult a counselor for specific information about transfer requirements, IGETC, CSU/UC requirements. Course load can be reduced by utilizing the intersession semesters. Units may vary depending on the courses that are chosen and the requirements students need for their unique paths.

#### **Program Description**

This degree is one of the two degrees offered within the Women and Gender Studies (WGS) Program. The Associate in Art in Social Justice: Gender Studies for Transfer degree is an interdisciplinary academic program which aims to expand students' understanding and appreciation of women's lives and experiences, both historically and in contemporary societies worldwide. In the Women and Gender Studies curriculum, students are exposed to the scholarship and theoretical framework of Women and Gender studies and learn how the application of a gendered lens has challenged traditional, historical, and cultural assumptions.

#### **Career and Transfer Opportunities**

This Transfer Degree is part of the ADT degrees that provide certain advantages to students who plan to transfer to CSU. See [this link](#) for additional information. The WGS committee has worked closely with CSULB and CSULA to coordinate transfer requirements with their WGS programs. Generally, Women/Gender Studies (under various names) at the Cal States are not impacted majors and willingly accept transfer students. Visit the [Transfer Center](#) for transfer and guaranteed transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a counselor for transfer information.

A degree in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies prepares you for almost anything. It's an interdisciplinary course of study that introduces students to hidden histories, explores complex social structures, confronts injustice and oppression, and hones the skills of citizens of the future. Above all, it helps students understand themselves. Here is an [article](#) about the benefits of majoring in Women's Studies.

Many employers seek out liberal arts graduates, knowing that a liberal arts education emphasizes critical thinking, writing, and presentation skills. A liberal arts degree shows an employer that you have studied a wide variety of topics and have a broader view of the world than other applicants. A Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies major provides all of these benefits and more: a) expertise in finding and using information on contemporary social issues; b) an understanding of differences of gender, sexuality, race, culture, and social class; c) insight into the connections among different forms of oppression; and d) a foundation for analyzing inequities and initiating change.

Corporations need employees who understand gendered issues in the workplace—issues such as sexual harassment, flex-time, parental leave, pay equity, and equal employment opportunities. The demand for expertise on gender issues is growing in the professions of law, health care, social work, teaching, counseling, and government service. Specialists in gender and sexuality are sought out as consultants in education and industry. And women's

agencies and organizations are adding to the demand for graduates in the field as they take on ever more critical roles, both internationally and within local communities.

Career options in women's studies and social justice studies can be found [here](#).

Students can visit [Career and Job Services](#) for career counseling and further exploration.

Most importantly, [Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies](#) graduates report that their education has given them the confidence and courage to pursue their dreams.

#### **Youtube Videos**

[Women's and Gender Studies, Center for Social Justice, University of Oklahoma](#)

[Introduction to women's and gender studies](#)

[Why Study Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies?](#)

#### **Program Map**

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

#### **Prerequisite Course**

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at [elac.edu](http://elac.edu) for the latest and most accurate information.

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