The following section details the required curriculum for every degree and certificate program offered at the college. Students must complete all course requirements to petition for a skill certificate or state-approved Certificate of Achievement. In order to be eligible for an Associate degree, students must fulfill all major courses, all West general education requirements (Plan A or Plan B), and all other graduation requirements for a total of at least 60 units. Students should refer to “Graduation Requirements” (in the “Academics” section of this catalog) for additional information. Students are also encouraged to seek assistance from counselors and faculty.

Transfer students should consult the Transfer Center or the Counseling Office for major preparation and general education requirements for the particular transfer institution of their choice. Transfer students who want to obtain an Associate degree may select one of the Liberal Arts and Science degrees which require completion of the West, CSU, or IGETC general education core and at least 18 units of coursework in an approved area of emphasis (see Liberal Arts & Science Section for details).
GEOLOGY

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

The Associate of Arts degree in Geology includes coursework that aligns with specific lower-division major requirements for the Geology major at various universities within the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) systems.

Students are encouraged to visit the Transfer Center for complete information regarding transfer requirements for the institution of their choice. Students interested in transfer are also encouraged to consult the Counseling Office for individualized educational planning.

The Associate of Degree in Geology is designed to provide students with a strong basic foundation for advanced study in the field of Geology.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

MAJOR CODE 1914.00

(40 UNITS, PLAN B) + All other West requirements for Associate Degree

REQUIRED COURSES    UNITS
CHEM 101  General Chemistry I  5
CHEM 102  General Chemistry II  5
GEOLOGY 1  Physical Geology  3
GEOLOGY 6  Physical Geology Laboratory  2
MATH 261  Calculus I  5
MATH 262  Calculus II  5
PHYSICS 37  Physics for Engineers and Scientists I  5
PHYSICS 38  Physics for Engineers and Scientists II  5
PHYSICS 39  Physics for Engineers and Scientists III  5

TOTAL UNITS  40

HISTORY

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

The Associate of Arts degree in History includes coursework that aligns with specific lower-division major requirements for the History major at various universities within the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) systems.

Students interested in transferring to a four-year college or university with a major in History may also consider the Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences (Behavioral and Social Sciences emphasis). Students are encouraged to visit the Transfer Center for complete information regarding transfer requirements for the institution of their choice. Students interested in transfer are also encouraged to consult the Counseling Office for individualized educational planning.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

MAJOR CODE 2205.00

(18 UNITS, PLAN A) + All other West requirements for Associate Degree

REQUIRED COURSES    UNITS
HISTORY 1  Introduction to Western Civilization I  3
HISTORY 2  Introduction to Western Civilization II  3
HISTORY 11  Political & Social History of the U.S I  3
HISTORY 41  The African American in the History of the U.S I  3
HISTORY 12  Political & Social History of the U.S. II  3
HISTORY 42  The African American in the History of the U.S II  3
AT LEAST 6 UNITS FROM THE FOLLOWING
ANTHRO 101  Human Biological Evolution  3
ANTHRO 102  Human Ways of Life: Cultural Anthropology  3
ECON 1  Principles of Economics I  3
GEOG 1  Physical Geography  3
POL SCI 1  The Government of the United States  3
HISTORY 5  History of the Americas  3
HISTORY 29  Asian Civilization: The Middle East  3
HISTORY 52  The Role of Women in the History of the US  3

TOTAL UNITS  18

HOSPITALITY

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

The Associate of Arts degree in Hospitality is primarily designed for vocational education and workforce training/development. The curriculum is not aligned with course requirements for transfer to a specific major at a four-year college or university.

Students interested in transferring to a four-year college or university with a major in Hospitality or a related major should consult the Transfer Center or the Counseling Office for major preparation and general education requirements of the particular transfer institution of their choice.

The Hospitality program at West prepares students to enter the continuously growing world of hotels, resorts, private clubs, convention centers, meeting centers, cruise ships, entertainment venues, and other commercial settings. Hospitality’s wide range of careers opens the door to a future with small or large lodging, meeting, and food service companies. The program provides both classroom and exciting on-site internships.
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE  
MAJOR CODE 1307.00

(36 UNITS, PLAN B) + All other West requirements for Associate Degree

REQUIRED COURSES UNITS
TRAVEL 100 Introduction to the Travel Industry 3
TRAVEL 300 Introduction to the Hospitality Industry 3
TRAVEL 305 Hotel Restaurant Supervision 3
HOSPT 302 Introduction to Hotel/Motel Operations 3
HOSPT 303 Hotel Front Office Operations 3
HOSPT 310 Hospitality Sales 3
HOSPT 311 Hospitality Marketing 3
HOSPT 325 Guest Relations Management 3
HOSPT 330 Managing Technology and E-Commerce 3

AND 9 UNITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:
TRAVEL 140 Travel Industry Sales, Service, and Marketing 3
TRAVEL 175 Meeting/Convention and Incentive Planning 3
TRAVEL 931 Cooperative Education - Travel 3

TOTAL UNITS 36

CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT - HOTEL SALES AND MARKETING  
MAJOR CODE 1307.07

(18 UNITS)

REQUIRED COURSES UNITS
TRAVEL 100 Introduction to the Travel Industry 3
TRAVEL 300 Introduction to the Hospitality Industry 3
TRAVEL 305 Hotel Restaurant Supervision 3
HOSPT 310 Hospitality Sales 3
HOSPT 311 Hospitality Marketing 3

AND 3 UNITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:
TRAVEL 140 Travel Industry Sales, Service, and Marketing 3
TRAVEL 931 Cooperative Education - Travel 3

TOTAL UNITS 18

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT - HOTEL FRONT DESK AND BACK OFFICE OPERATIONS  
MAJOR CODE 1307.06

(18 UNITS)

REQUIRED COURSES UNITS
TRAVEL 300 Introduction to the Hospitality Industry 3
HOSPT 302 Introduction to Hotel/Motel Operations 3
HOSPT 303 Hotel Front Office Operations 3
HOSPT 325 Guest Relations Management 3
HOSPT 330 Managing Technology and E-Commerce 3

AND 3 UNITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:
TRAVEL 100 Introduction to the Travel Industry 3
HOSPT 310 Hospitality Sales 3
TRAVEL 931 Cooperative Education - Travel 3

TOTAL UNITS 18

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT - EVENT AND CONVENTION PLANNING  
MAJOR CODE 1307.08

(18 UNITS)

REQUIRED COURSES UNITS
TRAVEL 175 Meeting/Convention and Incentive Planning 3
HOSPT 302 Introduction to Hotel/Motel Operations 3
HOSPT 320 Hospitality Law 3
HOSPT 340 Introduction to Professional Food Service 3
HOSPT 345 Event Management 3

AND 3 UNITS FROM THE FOLLOWING:
TRAVEL 140 Travel Industry Sales, Service, and Marketing 3
TRAVEL 175 Meeting/Convention and Incentive Planning 3
TRAVEL 931 Cooperative Education - Travel 3

TOTAL UNITS 18

JEWISH STUDIES

 Note: Skill certificates are not state-approved and are not included on transcripts. Only students completing state-approved degrees and/or certificates may participate in commencement.

This skill certificate in Jewish Studies is designed to help students gain employment in synagogues, Jewish community centers, and Jewish day schools. Students are encouraged to pursue advanced study in Jewish Studies. Graduates in Jewish Studies may teach, may become social workers or therapists, may enter the rabbinate, or may enter law school, among other options. Graduates may also work in schools, synagogues, Jewish community centers, and in government.