INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

ASSOCIATE DEGREE & CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

DESCRIPTION
The A.A. degree in International Studies prepares transfer students for a major or minor in international relations / global studies. Majors acquire knowledge and skills from a variety of disciplines, such as Anthropology, Geography, Political Science, Economics and Modern Languages. Students learn how culture affects behavior, ideology, and institutions and they develop insight into their own language and culture. Employment opportunities for International Studies majors exist in business (trade, finance, electronic and print media, federal and state government agencies, non-profit international organizations (U.N., Red Cross, etc.), and other organizations involved in international or transnational affairs.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

An Associate Degree, depending on the focus of study, is designed to prepare students for transfer into upper division course work in a bachelor’s degree program, or, to prepare students to enter the workforce in a particular vocational field. To qualify for an Associate’s Degree, a student must: (1) complete each major-specific course required for the degree with at least a “C” grade or better, (2) complete all Cuesta College general education, graduation and residency requirements, and (3) achieve an overall grade point average of 2.0 for all courses attempted (major, general education, elective).

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES & AWARDS

• Associate in Arts (A.A.)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

• Administrative/Legislative Aide
• Business/Financial Consultant
• Community Development: Economic Development
• Foreign Service
• Global Account Coordinator
• Global Finance Manager
• Import/Export Specialist
• International Marketing/Trade Specialist
• Peace Corps Volunteer

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at Cuesta College. Information for each certificate program can be found by following this link: www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid/gainfulemployment

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# ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

**International Studies — Associate in Arts**

## Required Courses (28 credits)

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Click Here for Program Student Learning Outcomes

## TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree may differ from those needed to prepare to transfer. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with a Cuesta College counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

## TRANSFER RESOURCES:

- CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine: [www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org)
- CSU System Information: [www2.calstate.edu](http://www2.calstate.edu)

## FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that Cuesta College offers a full array of financial aid programs—grants, work study, scholarships, federal loan programs, and fee waivers. These programs are available to both full-and part-time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: [www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid](http://www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid)