Criteria A. Appropriateness to Mission

1. Statement of Program Goals and Objectives

This degree program is designed for transfer students who plan to obtain a Bachelor’s degree. Completion of this AA-T will satisfy all lower division general education for the California State University.

The goals of the proposed program are to align with the CSU Bachelor of Arts - Liberal Studies. The Associate in Arts in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer degree is designed to provide students with the common core of lower division courses required to transfer and pursue a baccalaureate degree in Liberal Studies with the focus on preparing students to enter an Elementary (Multiple Subject) Teaching Credential Program.

Upon completion of the appropriate four-year institution degree and credential program the Elementary (Multiple Subject) Teaching Credentials authorize the holder to teach in self-contained classrooms such as classroom settings in most elementary schools. However, a teacher authorized for multiple subject instruction may be assigned to teach in any self-contained classroom (preschool, K-12, or in classes organized primarily for adults). In addition, the holder of a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential may serve in a core or team teaching setting.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Associate in Arts Degree in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer, the Student will be able to:

1. Students will have foundational knowledge and recognize significant ideas, concepts, structures, and values within and among the disciplines.

   Learning Outcomes:
   a. Students demonstrate foundational understandings, concepts, and values in reading, language and literature, history and social science, mathematics, science, visual and performing arts, health, and human development.
   b. Students synthesize information from multiple sources.

2. Students will create a lesson plan for teaching concepts in their core requirements for elementary and middle school students. Lesson plans will conform to State Content Standards for California Public Schools and be related to the National Standards.

2. Catalog Description

The Associate in Arts in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer Degree is designed to provide students with the common core of lower division courses required to transfer and pursue a baccalaureate degree in Liberal Studies.
Associate in Arts in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer Degree  
Program Code: 2A31525  
The Associate in Arts in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer (AA-T), prepares students to transfer to CSU campuses that offer bachelor’s degrees in Liberal Studies or Integrated Teacher Education Programs. Ed Code Section 66746-66749 states students earning the Elementary Teacher Education AA-T degree will be granted priority for admission as a Liberal Studies or Integrated Teacher Education Program major to a local CSU, as determined by the CSU campus to which the student applies. The California State University shall guarantee admission with junior status to any community college student who meets all of the requirements. Admission to the California State University, does not guarantee admission for specific majors or campuses.

This degree requires students to complete 60 CSU transferable units including completion of CSU GE or IGETC with 52 units in the major and a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better. Title 5 requires that students earn a grade of “C” or better in all major coursework. There are no additional graduation requirements. The Elementary Teacher Education AA-T Degree is designed for students who will be transferring to a four-year institution, obtaining a bachelor’s degree and pursuing a teaching credential through a California State University (CSU) integrated or traditional teacher preparation program. Course and degree requirements may vary at each CSU campus therefore it is important that students consult with a Shasta College Counselor and respective university transfer representative to confirm the most appropriate “List C” courses. The Elementary Teacher Education AA-T Degree requires a total of 52 units of required courses and restricted electives from the categories below as indicated.

Required Core Courses: 43 units
EDUC 1  Introduction to Education and Teaching (3)  
ESCI 12  General Earth Science (4)  
CMST 60  Public Speaking (3)  
ENGL 1A  College Composition (4)  
PHSC 1  Physical Science Survey (4)  
BIOL 10 + 10L  General Biology; Lab (4)  
Math 41A  Concepts of Elementary Mathematics (3)  
HIST 2  World Civilization to 1500 C.E. (3)  
ENGL 1B  Literature and Composition (3)  
GEOG 8  World Regional Geography (3)  
POLS 2  Introduction to American Government (3)  
HIST 17A  United States History (3)  
ECE 9  Child Growth and Development (3)

List A: Select 1 course from the following: 3 Units
ENGL 1C  Critical Reasoning, Reading, and Writing (3)  
PHIL 8  Logic (3)  
ENGL 1B  Literature & Composition (3)  
CMST 40  Argumentation and Debate (3)

List B: Select 1 course from the following: 3 Units
ART 1  Introduction to Art (3)  
MUS 10  Music Appreciation (3)  
THTR 1  Introduction to Theatre Arts (3)  
HUM 2  Exploring the Humanities (3)
List C: Select 3 units

- EDTE 51,52  Classroom Experience I,II (1,1)
- EDTE 61,62  Math I & II Classroom Experience (1,1)
- EDTE 71,72,73  Internship In Science Teaching -- Life Science/ Physical Science/ Earth Science (0.5 each)
- GEOG 7  California Geography (3)
- MATH 41B  Concepts of Elementary Mathematics (3)
- PSYC 41  Cultural/Social Context of Childhood (3)
- CMST 30  Oral Interpretation (3)
- ANTH 2  Cultural Anthropology (3)
- HIST 17B  United States History (3)

Total Units for the Major: 52

4. Background and Rationale.

This program is being proposed to meet the needs for students transferring directly into the CSU system. The transfer program will ensure that students who transfer to a CSU do not retake similar classes completed at the community college. As indicated on the CI-D website, the Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) will allow students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree at a CSU campus to transfer after completing 60 required semester units of CSU-transferable coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Students transferring to a CSU campus that accepts the AA-T or AS-T will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn the bachelor’s degree.

Description of how this proposal was developed and whom on campus was involved in the development

A number of resources were used to create the AA-T Degree in Elementary Teacher Education. Carolyn Borg, Articulation Officer, was relied upon for her knowledge of Liberal Studies articulated courses. The State CCC website was used for procedures and examples. Employment Development Department’s website was used for data. Esther Larocco of Chico State’s Liberal Studies Department was consulted in the development of the course list to align our transfer degree with Chico’s Liberal Studies degree. Bringing the above resources together helped to create a mutual understanding for the purpose and benefit of the AA-T Degree in Elementary Teacher Education.

Administration, Staff and Faculty involved:
- Esther Larocco, Liberal Studies Adviser, California State University Chico
- Carolyn Borg, Counselor/ Extended Education/ Articulation Officer
- Jennifer McCandless, Faculty in Mathematics
- Scott Croes, Faculty in Biology

Criteria B. Need

5. Enrollment and Completer Projections

1) Number of sections of courses offered annually: One to two sections offered annually depending on the course.
2) Annual enrollment in the number of sections estimated above: Twenty-five to thirty plus students per section for a total of twenty-five to fifty students estimated to complete the program annually.
3) Number of anticipated program completers: Twenty-five to thirty students per academic year are expected to complete the degree.
4) Number of anticipated program completers at the end of the second year of operation: Twenty-five students per academic year.
5) Number of anticipated program completers at the end of the fifth year of operation: Fifty students per academic year.
6. Place of proposed change in the curriculum – relation to existing program and options; relation to other programs at your college.

The AA-T Degree in Elementary Teacher Education is a revision of Shasta College’s AA in University Studies – Elementary Teacher Preparation. The AA-T Degree in Elementary Teacher Education will replace the AA in University Studies – Elementary Teacher Preparation.

7. Discussion of impact on other colleges in region (optional for transfer only programs).

This item is not required when proposing an AA-T or AS-T that is aligned with the TMC. However, there will be no negative impact, as there are no other community colleges within 60 miles.

8. Analysis of labor market need or job availability (for career technical education CTE only).

9. Employer Survey (for CTE only)

10. Explanation of Employer Relationship (CTE only)

11. List of Members of Advisory Committee (CTE only)

12. Recommendations of Advisory Committee (CTE only)

Criteria C. Curriculum Standards

13. Display of Proposed Sequence

Proposed Sequence – There is no particular sequence for the proposed list of courses. With the exception of math and English there are no other prerequisites required. Students should complete an average of 15 units per semester to complete the program in two years.

14. Transfer Applicability (if applicable)

The majority of Shasta students transferring in Liberal Studies transfer to CSU Chico. There is extensive articulation with CSU Chico and the AA-T aligns closely to their program. See attachments of ASSIST articulation agreements for CSU Chico, CSU Monterey Bay, CSU Northridge, and an additional articulation MOU with CSU Chico. The TMC Template and course outlines of record are also attached.

Criteria D. Adequate Resources

15-18. The current facilities, equipment, funding, faculty, and library resources are adequate to meet the needs and support the proposed Associate in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer degree. Faculties meet State minimum qualifications and have adequate knowledge and experience in the program area. No changes will be required.

Criteria E. Compliance

19-21. The proposed Associate in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer degree will not change the accreditation standards or impose any new enrollment restrictions. In addition, this major has no independent licensing body.