Program Description

This non-transfer interdisciplinary degree offers a range of coursework to prepare students who want to explore the social and behavioral sciences as a foundation of lifelong learning, or as an introduction to the related fields of Sociology, Psychology, Anthropology, Economics, History, Social Sciences and Political Science. For additional information, please see an MSJC counselor.

Transfer Preparation

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree in this program might not be the same as those required for transfer into the major at a four year university. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

Learning Outcomes

- Analyze the historical and philosophical foundations of the United States and California constitutions.
- Analyze and critique the theory and practice of the politics and government of the United States and California.
- Analyze and critique current political topics and issues.
- Examine the historical development of issues pertaining to race, gender, and immigration; and explain the legislative actions taken in response to them at the federal and state level.
- Analyze how historical developments have affected the rights, responsibilities, and choices of modern US citizens.
- Examine complex issues and discover the connections and correlations among ideas to advance toward a valid independent conclusion.
- Analyze real or potential problems and develop, evaluate, and test possible solutions and hypotheses using the scientific method where appropriate.
- Evaluate information by selection and using appropriate research methods and tools.
- Develop individual responsibility, personal integrity, and respect for diverse people and cultures.
Instructional Programs

DEGREE

Satisfactory completion of Mt. San Jacinto College’s General Education Requirements Option A, 60 degree-applicable units including at least 18 units in the following areas:

Administration of Justice – 102, 111
Alcohol/Drug Studies – 105
Anthropology – 102, 102H, 103A, 103B, 103C, 103D, 103E, 104, 104H, 115, 121+, 125, 215*
Child Development and Education – 110, 110H, 125, 125H, 134, 140, 147*
Dance – 100*
Economics – 201, 201H, 202, 202H, 203
Education – 135, 136
Geography – 102, 107, 108, 111
Guidance – 100, 116, 120
Health Science – 121, 123
Leadership – 101, 102
Legal – 100, 103, 134
Nutrition - 100, 100H
Sustainable Energy Management - 100
Theater Arts – 136*

+ Indicates cross-listed classes.
* Indicates lab classes.

NOTE: 149 and 299 courses may be counted to meet the program of study unit requirement.