***Social Justice Studies:*** *Associate in Arts for Transfer*

*UC*

Want to change the world? There’s a major for that! Social Justice Studies focus on understanding the different ways power and privilege work in our society in order to create a better world. As an interdisciplinary major, we combine approaches from political science, sociology, psychology, and history, along with studying art, literature, and popular culture to understand the struggles that people face and to begin thinking about how to help make them better.

***Please see a Pathways Counselor:*** Transfer degrees require a minimum of 60 semester CSU transferable units or UC semester transferable units with a minimum 2.0 GPA overall. [Contact a Counselor](https://www.msjc.edu/hub/) to create an education plan customized to meet your needs.

Transfer Majors/Award Focus

* Sociology, A.A.-T CSU, UC

GE Pattern/Units

* GE Pattern: Option C
* Total Units: 61

**Program maps** indicate the major coursework and recommended general education courses to fulfill your degree in 2 years (approximately 15 units/semester or 30 units/year). If you are a part-time student, start Semester 1 courses and follow the course sequence. Some of the courses listed may be substituted by another course. Please view these options in the official course [catalog](https://catalog.msjc.edu/instructional-programs/).

***Semester 1 16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | ENGL-101 | College Composition | 4 |
| c | MATH-140 or  PSYC-121/SOCI-121 | Introduction to Statistics or  Statistics for Behavioral Sciences | 3 |
| c | ANTH-102 | Cultural Anthropology | 3 |
| c | SOCI-101 | Principles of Sociology | 3 |
| c | ART-100 or  MUS-100 or  THA-101 | Art Appreciation or  Introduction and Appreciation of Music or  Introduction to Theater | 3 |

***Semester 2 16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | ENGL-103 | Critical Thinking and Writing | 3 |
| c | COMM-100 | Public Speaking | 3 |
| c | BIOL-115 | Topics in Biology | 4 |
| c | HIST-111 | U.S. History to 1877 | 3 |
| c | SOCI-112 or  PSYC-112 | Gender and Social Interaction or  Gender and Social Interaction | 3 |

Career Options

Civil Rights/Immigration Lawyer (M, D)

Paralegal/Legal Assistant (A, B)

Social and Community Service Managers (A, B, M)

Social Worker (B, M)

Find more careers: [msjc.emsicc.com](http://msjc.emsicc.com)

Required Education: SM: some college; C: Certificate; A: Associate, B: Bachelor’s, M: Master’s; D: Doctorate

Financial Aid

Financial aid is determined by the number of credit hours you take in a semester. Maximize your financial aid by taking 12-15 units per semester.

***Semester 3*** ***16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | LIT-280/ETHS-280 | Multiethnic Literature | 3 |
| c | SOCI-102 | Contemporary Social Problems | 3 |
| c | SPAN-101 or  FREN-101 or  ASL-100 | Elementary Spanish I or  Elementary French I or  American Sign Language I | 4 |
| c | SJS-101 | Introduction to Social Justice Studies | 3 |
| c | COMM-108 | Intercultural Communication | 3 |

***Semester 4 13 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | HIST-118 or  HIST-120 or  HIST-160/ETHS-160 | History of World Religions or  California History or  Black History in the American Context | 3 |
| c | ENVS-101 | Environmental Science | 3 |
| c | SPAN-102 or  FREN-102 or  ASL-101 | Elementary Spanish II or  Elementary French II or  American Sign Language II | 4 |
| c | PS-101 | Introduction to American Government and Politics | 3 |

Notes***:***

**Language Requirement**: For students who did not meet the LOTE requirement in high school, they may fulfill Area 6 by demonstrating proficiency by completing ASL-100 American Sign Language I, FREN-101 Elementary French I or SPAN-101 Elementary Spanish I with a grade C or better. Languages other than English for Native Speakers are also acceptable for meeting this requirement.

Although not an IGETC requirement, MSJC may certify completion of the CSU graduation requirement in U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals with PS-101/101H and HIST-111/111H or HIST-112/112H. Courses used to meet this requirement may also be used to satisfy IGETC Subject Area 4 requirements.

Work Experience

Sign up for a special project or internship opportunity. Gain [work experience](https://msjc.edu/careereducation/cwee/index.html) and earn credits.

Scheduling Notes

Some courses on this map may not be offered ever semester. Work with a counselor to be sure you can take all the required courses on time or find suitable substitutes. SJS 101: Introduction to Social Justice may satisfy degree requirements and will be offered by Fall 2021.