

Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) FAQs

What is an ADT?

The ADT stands for Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT), is a particular degree program completed by transfer students under the STAR Act (SB 1440). ADT is used to reference both the AA-T and AS-T degrees awarded at the California Community Colleges (CCCs). Other terms used to reference the ADT degree include STAR Act or SB 1440.

What is SB 1440?

SB (Senate Bill) 1440 was passed and became the STAR Act (Student Transfer Achievement Reform). The STAR Act allows CCCs and California State University (CSU) faculty to collaborate in creating AA-T or AS-T (Associate of Arts for Transfer or Associate of Science for Transfer) degree programs, also known as Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT). These degrees guarantee admission to a similar degree program in the CSU system, as well as priority consideration for those particular major programs. For more info, <http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/ugs/SB1440/index.html>

What does the ADT mean for a student?

Completion of the ADT and applying to an approved similar program provides the student a guaranteed admission to the CSU (not necessarily to a specific campus), gives the student admission priority, and a guaranteed 60 unit pathway (roadmap) to graduation with a similar baccalaureate degree at the CSU.

Completion of an ADT also means the student has satisfied all lower division GE, except the AS-T degrees in Biology or Chemistry. Therefore, students who earn an ADT other than in Biology or Chemistry and apply to any program (similar or not), will have their lower division core GE met. No GE certification will be required.

Students who earn the AS-T in Biology or Chemistry degree programs have the opportunity to complete their ADT with the IGETC for STEM. IGETC for STEM allows the student to defer one course in GE Area C and one course in GE Area D until after transferring to the CSU campus. The deferred GE will be included in the 60 unit roadmap for the similar program's roadmap. Students who apply for a major that is NOT similar, WILL be held to the GE Area C and D requirements after transfer to the CSU (9 semester or 12 quarter units in each area).

Which ADT programs does SJSU accept?

A list of all similar degree program roadmaps from 2012 through the present, can be found on the STAR Act webpage, <http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/ugs/SB1440/sb1440roadmaps/2016-2017Roadmaps/index.html>

Who is the advising contact for ADT students?

The advising contact for each department is shown on the STAR Act webpage above, to the right of each similar program match. Students may also contact Teresa De La Cruz (teresa.delacruz@sjsu.edu or (408) 924-8972) and she will also assist with any questions regarding the program and connection with the department advisor regarding the specific 60 units the student will be completing.

Who is the articulation contact for ADT staff or faculty?

Delia Chavez (delia.chavez@sjsu.edu or (408) 924-2711) in the articulation office would be the contact for articulation questions regarding the similar programs and roadmaps.

Who is the admission contact for ADT students, staff or faculty?

Irene Ho is the admission contact (irene.ho@sjsu.edu).

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