



General Studies

ASSOCIATE DEGREE

OVERVIEW

College students who are having difficulty deciding on a course of study may pursue a degree in general studies. This program provides students with the flexibility to explore a variety of subjects. Offering study in many fields, the program can help prepare students for work in numerous settings, as well as readying them for advanced study in a specific field. An associate degree in General Studies gives students the base knowledge and skills necessary to achieve a higher college degree such as a bachelor's degree. The General Studies program can be customized based on areas of interest.

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CAREER READINESS SKILLS

Critical Thinking/Problem-Solving

Form creative decisions by interpreting information, opinions and data.

Oral/Written Communication

Explain thoughts and ideas effectively to people inside and outside the organization.

Teamwork

Work efficiently with diverse groups; the ability to negotiate and manage conflict maturely.

Digital Technology

Demonstrate adaptability to new emerging technology to achieve goals.

Leadership

Leverage the strength of others to achieve common goals, as well as prioritizing and delegating work.

Professionalism

Recognizing the significance of time, tasks, appearance and accountability.

Career Management

Understand how to self-advocate for opportunities, while identifying areas necessary for professional growth.

Global Perspective

Openness, inclusiveness, and sensitivity to people of diverse backgrounds and lifestyles.

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SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF COURSES

Prerequisite or parallel courses may be required. Please check individual course descriptions for details.

GENERAL STUDIES ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Freshman Year

ENG* E101 - Composition	3 credits
Elective (MATH) - Mathematics	3-4 credits ¹
FS E100 - Freshman Seminar	3 credits ²
Elective (AESX) - Aesthetic Dimensions	3 credits ³
Elective (SOCX) - Social Phenomena I	3 credits ³
Elective (SOPX) - Social Phenomena II	3 credits ³
ENG* E102 - Literature & Composition	3 credits
<i>or Elective (WRIX) - Written Comm. in English II (3 credits)</i>	
Elective (SCKX) - Scientific Knowledge & Understanding	3-4 credits ³
Elective (HUM) - Humanities	3 credits ³
Elective (BHEL) - Behavioral Science	3 credits ³

Sophomore Year

Elective (SSCI) - Social Science	3 credits ³
Elective (SCI) - Science	3-4 credits ³
Elective (FINA) - Fine Arts	3 credits ³
Electives (OPEN) - Any course 100 or higher	18-21 credits ⁴

Total Credits: 60 - 63

¹ MAT* E075, MAT* E095 not acceptable.

² FS 100 (Freshman Seminar) course is required. Students with 12 or more college credits may be exempt. Consult with your advisor for more information. Freshman Seminar should be completed during the first semester.

³ Electives: See the course descriptions in the college catalog to see which category a course aligns with. It is suggested that students discuss selection of electives with their assigned advisor. One year of foreign language is recommended.

⁴ Open Electives: Any college level course (course 100 level or higher can fulfill this requirement, however, 15 credits must be taken in 200-level courses to earn the degree.

NOTE: For degree completion the student must complete the Computer Literacy Requirement.

NOTE: A minimum of 15 credits must be taken in 200-level courses.

NOTE: It is recommended that students take one year of a foreign language.