

General Studies

Associate of Arts and Sciences (A.A. & S.)

Purpose

The Associate of Arts and Sciences in General Studies is intended to provide students with a general course of study that parallels the freshman and sophomore years at most colleges and universities. The courses in this program are specifically selected for ease of transfer to most four-year colleges and universities.

Program Requirements and Special Conditions

Students must meet ESCC admission requirements. Students must also complete placement tests (or equivalent) in English and mathematics, and scores will be used for appropriate course placement. If students have deficiencies in English and/or mathematics, ESCC offers developmental and prerequisite courses to prepare students for the curriculum. New students should see a counselor and returning students should see their advisor for more information.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students will:

- Explore, interpret, and represent the human experience and cultural awareness through the arts and social sciences.
- Read, write and analyze effectively across a number of disciplines.
- Students will integrate and apply the fundamental principles of scientific inquiry, social sciences, arts, and humanities.

Program Curriculum and Suggested Sequence of Courses

1 st Semester	Credits	Course Options
BIO 101 General Biology I	4	CHM 111, PHY 101 See Note 3.
ENG 111 College Composition I	3	
HIS 111 or HIS 121 (History of World Civilization I or American History I)	3	See Note 1
ITE 115 or ITE 119 (Intro to Comp Applications or Information Literacy)	3	
MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	3	MTH 161. See Note 8.
SDV 100 College Success Skills	1	
<i>Total Credits</i>	17	
2 nd Semester	Credits	Course Options
BIO 102 General Biology II	4	CHM 112, PHY 102 See Note 3
ENG 112 College Composition II	3	
HIS 112 or HIS 122 History of World Civilization II or American History II	3	See Note 1
PSY 200 or SOC 200 (General Psychology or Intro to Sociology)	3	
MTH 155 Statistical Reasoning	3	MTH 162 or 245. See Notes 9 - 10.
<i>Total Credits</i>	16	
3 rd Semester	Credits	Course Options
CST 110 Introduction to Speech Communications	3	
ART 101 or MUS 121 (History and Appreciation of Art I or Music Appreciation I)	3	
HLT or PED Elective	2	See Note 4
ENG 241 or ENG 243 or ENG 251 (American Lit I, English Lit I or World Lit I)	3	See Note 2.

ECO 201 or PLS 211 (Principles of Macroeconomics or US Government I)	3	
Total Credits	14	
4th Semester	Credits	Course Options
Transfer Elective	9	See Note 5.
ENG 242 or ENG 244 or ENG 252 (American Lit II, English Lit II or World Lit II)	3	See Note 2.
Social Science / Behavioral Science Elective	3	See Note 6.
Total Credits	15	
Total Credits For Program	62	

Notes and Additional Curriculum Options

1. The history requirements must be met by taking a two semester sequence. Students are REQUIRED to consider HIS 111 & 112 or HIS 121 & 122. STUDENTS SHOULD TAKE THE HISTORIES IN SEQUENCE.
2. The literature elective requirement can be satisfied by completing any American, British or World Literature sequence. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the full literature sequence in one area. Options include: ENG 241 & 242, ENG 243 & 244, ENG 245 & 246. Check with the transfer institution to which you will apply for admissions requirements.
3. Students should complete a science sequence of the sciences listed based on the suggested requirements of the college or university to which they intend to transfer. Options include: BIO 101 & 101, CHM 111 & 112, PHY 101 & 102.
4. The health requirement may be fulfilled by completing any two-credit HLT or PED course.
5. Transfer to Four-Year Colleges and Universities—Students should select transfer electives from the list of approved transfer electives in the catalog that will transfer into their program of study at the institution to which they will transfer. Consult with your academic advisor for the options to best suit your academic needs.
6. The social science elective requirement can be satisfied by courses with the following prefixes: ECO, GEO, HIS, PLS, PSY, and SOC.
7. All students should consult with their faculty advisors for the most appropriate course sequence of courses and course combinations each semester.
8. Students who have previously completed MTH 163 have satisfied this requirement.
9. Students who have previously completed MTH 164 have completed this requirement.
10. Recommended math pathways are the Quantitative/Statistical Pathway (154/155) and the STEM Pathway (161/162). Students should consult with their advisor and intended transfer institution to determine the appropriate pathway.