

Requirements for the Associate in General Studies (AGS) Degree

The Associate in General Studies degree is designed to meet the unique needs of students with objectives that are different from those of transfer degrees or career and technical education degrees. It provides students the opportunity to obtain a degree to meet employment needs not possible through other programs, to obtain a two-year liberal education, or to enhance opportunities for students who have completed certificate programs. While the degree is very flexible, the general education courses are a required component to provide students with basic skills and knowledge that may allow them to continue their education or to move into the workforce.

THIS DEGREE IS NOT DESIGNED TO TRANSFER; however, it may transfer in whole or in part to some universities. Students are encouraged to work with an academic advisor to develop an academic plan.

The following requirements apply to students who first enrolled for Summer 2020 or later. Students who first enrolled prior to Summer 2020 should contact an academic advisor for more information.

- Credit hours are shown in parentheses in front of the course number.
- Students also may complete an AGS degree through distance learning delivery options.

Curriculum: BAC 020	Credit Hours		
General Education Core			
Communications 2 courses	6	(3) ENG 105 Technical Communications (3) ENG 151 Composition I	(3) ENG 152 Composition II (3) SPE 151 Intro to Speech
Humanities and Fine Arts 2 courses	6	Humanities <i>Select from the following prefixes or course numbers:</i> ENG (does not include: 105, 151, 152, 088-099) FRE GER (3) JRN 152 Intro to Mass Communication (3) JRN 155 Media News Writing (3) JRN 165 Intro to Broadcasting (3) JRN 170 Media Feature Writing PHI (4) SPA 151 Elementary Spanish I (4) SPA 152 Elementary Spanish II (4) SPA 251 Intermediate Spanish I (4) SPA 252 Intermediate Spanish II (3) SPE 155 Interpersonal Communication (3) SPE 161 Small Group Communication	Humanities cont'd. (3) SPE 251 Intercultural Communication (3) SPE 265 Fundamentals of Oral Interpretation Fine Arts <i>Select from the following prefixes or course numbers:</i> ART (does not include: 166, 190, 290, 299) (3) AET 141 Interior Design I (3) AET 142 History of Interiors (3) AET 241 Interior Design II (3) GRA 167 Graphic Design I (3) GRA 168 Computer Art I (3) JRN 180 Intro to Film MUS (does not include: 100, 104, 111, 160, 161,162, 201-219) THE
Mathematics and Physical Sciences or Life Sciences 2 courses	6	Mathematics <i>Select from the following prefixes or course numbers:</i> MAT (100-level or above) Sciences <i>Select from the following prefixes or course numbers:</i> BIO	Sciences cont'd. CHM EAS (4) GEG 107 Physical Geography (3) GEG 123 Energy Resources (3) GEG 220 The Global Environment GEL (3) HFE 250 Nutrition for Wellness (4) HRT 103 Intro to Plant Science (4) HRT 105 Intro to Soil Science PHY

Social and Behavioral Sciences 2 courses	6	Select from the following prefixes or course numbers: ANT ECO (3) GEG 202 Geog. of Developed World (3) GEG 203 Geog. of Developing World (3) GEG 204 Economic Geography	HIS PLT PSY SOC
General Electives	36	Choose any 100 or 200 level course listed in the catalog. Fewer credit hours may fulfill this requirement if general education credits exceed stated minimums; credits must total 60 for this degree. For distance learning options, please check the Credit Course Listing. (See Degree Notes section below for pairs of courses in which both courses cannot count toward degree requirements.)	
Total Degree Requirements	60		

Other AGE Graduation Requirements:

- Total of 60 credit hours
- 2.0 minimum cumulative GPA at MCC on completion of degree
- 15 semester hours taken at MCC
- Completion of E-Portfolio end-of-program assessment
- Completion of graduation application

Degree Notes:

- The following pairs of courses have similar course content. Only one course from each pair can be used to satisfy degree requirements: EAS 101 or EAS 120 or EAS 171; EAS 101 or EAS 170 or GEL 105; EAS 101 or EAS 172 or EAS 180; MAT 120 or MAT 220; MAT 161 or MAT 165; MAT 171 or MAT 175
- No single course can be used to meet two different requirements.
- Students who are interested in transferring to a four-year school should be sure to contact an academic advisor while pursuing this degree.
- Acceptance of a D grade and non-traditional credit (CLEP, AP, DANTEs, military service, proficiency exam) varies from institution to institution.