

**Associate in Arts (A10100)
Curriculum Standard**

Effective Term:
Fall 2024

The Associate in Arts degree shall be granted for a planned program of study consisting of a minimum of 60 semester hours of credit (SHC) of college transfer courses. Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic computer use.

The Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA) and the Independent Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (ICAA) enables North Carolina community college graduates of two-year associate in arts programs who are admitted to constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina and to Signatory Institutions of North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities to transfer with junior status.

Community college graduates must obtain a grade of "C" or better in each course and an overall GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in order to transfer with a junior status. Courses may also transfer through bilateral agreements between institutions.

GENERAL EDUCATION (45 SHC)

The general education common course pathway includes study in the areas of English composition; humanities and fine arts; social and behavioral sciences; natural sciences and mathematics.

UNIVERSAL GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER COMPONENT

(All Universal General Education Transfer Component courses will transfer for equivalency credit.)

English Composition (6 SHC)

The following two English composition courses are required:

ENG 111	Writing & Inquiry	(3 SHC)
ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	(3 SHC)

Select three courses from the following in at least two different disciplines (9 SHC)

Communications

COM 120	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	(3 SHC) or
COM 231	Public Speaking	(3 SHC)

Humanities/Fine Arts

ART 111	Art Appreciation	(3 SHC)
ART 114	Art History Survey I	(3 SHC)
ART 115	Art History Survey II	(3 SHC)
DRA 111	Theatre Appreciation	(3 SHC)
ENG 231	American Literature I	(3 SHC)
ENG 232	American Literature II	(3 SHC)
ENG 241	British Literature I	(3 SHC)
ENG 242	British Literature II	(3 SHC)
MUS 110	Music Appreciation	(3 SHC)
MUS 112	Introduction to Jazz	(3 SHC)
PHI 215	Philosophical Issues	(3 SHC)
PHI 240	Introduction to Ethics	(3 SHC)

Social/Behavioral Sciences (9 SHC)

Select three courses from the following in at least two different disciplines:

ECO 251	Principles of Microeconomics	(3 SHC)
ECO 252	Principles of Macroeconomics	(3 SHC)
HIS 111	World Civilizations I	(3 SHC)
HIS 112	World Civilizations II	(3 SHC)
HIS 131	American History I	(3 SHC)
HIS 132	American History II	(3 SHC)
POL 120	American Government	(3 SHC)
PSY 150	General Psychology	(3 SHC)
SOC 210	Introduction to Sociology	(3 SHC)

Math (3-5 SHC)

Select one course from the following:

MAT 143	Quantitative Literacy	(3 SHC)
MAT 152	Statistical Methods I	(4 SHC)
MAT 171	Precalculus Algebra	(4 SHC)
MAT 175	Precalculus	(5 SHC)

Natural Sciences (4 SHC)

Select 4 SHC from the following course(s):

AST 111	Descriptive Astronomy (3 SHC)	and	AST 111A Descriptive Astronomy Lab (1 SHC)
AST 151	General Astronomy I (3 SHC)	and	AST 151A General Astronomy Lab I (1 SHC)
BIO 110	Principles of Biology		(4 SHC)
BIO 111	General Biology I		(4 SHC)
CHM 151	General Chemistry I		(4 SHC)
GEL 111	Introductory Geology		(4 SHC)
PHY 110	Conceptual Physics (3 SHC)	and	PHY 110A Conceptual Physics Lab (1 SHC)

ADDITIONAL GENERAL EDUCATION HOURS (13-14 SHC)

An additional 13-14 SHC of courses should be selected from courses classified as general education within the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement. Students should select these courses based on their intended major and transfer university.

Total General Education Hours Required: 45

OTHER REQUIRED HOURS (15 SHC)**Academic Transition (1 SHC)**

The following course is required:

ACA 122	College Transfer Success	(1 SHC)
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An additional 14 SHC of courses should be selected from courses classified as pre-major, elective or general education courses within the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement. Students should select these courses based on their intended major and transfer university.

****One semester hour of credit may be included in a 61 SHC associate in arts program of study. The transfer of this hour is not guaranteed.***

Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC) in Program: 60-61*

Students must meet the receiving university's foreign language and/or health and physical education requirements, if applicable, prior to or after transfer to the senior institution.