

ASSOCIATE OF GENERAL STUDIES (AGS)

The purpose of the Associate of General Studies (AGS) degree is to provide students an opportunity to pursue a broad general education during the two years at a community college. It is intended as a flexible program for the student who is not pursuing a specified curriculum in the lower division transfer or career technical areas. The AGS degree may, in addition to including the number of hours in the divisional areas as listed below, include courses in lower division collegiate transfer and career technical education. Because of the flexibility and broad approach of this degree, a student may find that it may not fulfill all of the requirements of full junior standing when transferred to a four-year institution.

This flexible degree option enables a student to complete an associate's degree that is tailored to the general education requirements of the transfer school. Students must exercise caution in using the AGS option, as the degree does not guarantee transferability of courses completed. Educational planning for the AGS should be done with the help of an advisor.

Graduation Requirements

Complete a minimum of 90 credit hours of specified courses with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. Twenty-four (24) credits must be completed at Southwestern before the AGS degree is awarded. In addition to the General Education Requirements and the Distribution Requirements, students must complete enough elective courses to reach a total of 90 credits. All courses must be numbered 100 or above to counts towards an AGS degree.

Complete the graduation application process one term prior to the term of completion (e.g., spring term graduates must apply during winter term).

General Education Requirements

Writing

Two (2) courses at a level equivalent to courses below:

Code	Title	Credits
WR121	English Composition	3
or WR121H	English Composition w/Honors	
WR122	English Composition	3
or WR122H	English Composition w/Honors	

Communication

One (1) course in speech at a level equivalent to SP100 Basic Speech Communications or higher.

Mathematics

One (1) course of college level mathematics from MTH105 Math in Society or higher, excluding MTH211 Fundamentals of Elementary.

Health, Wellness and Fitness

Three (3) credits of PE185 sport/activity or choose one (1) three-credit course from HE250 Personal Health or PE231 Wellness for Life.

Digital Literacy

One (1) course from:

Code	Title	Credits
CIS120	Concepts of Computing	4

Distribution Requirements

Arts and Letters

Three (3) courses from:

Note: A second year foreign language may be included, but not first year.

Code	Title	Credits
ART115	Basic Design I, Intro to Elements	4
ART116	Basic Design II, Color Theory	4
ART117	Basic Design III, Intro to 3D Desgn	4
ART131	Introduction to Drawing I	3
ART132	Introduction to Drawing II	3
ART133	Introduction to Drawing III	3
ART191	Beginning Sculpture	3
ART192	Beginning Sculpture	3
ART204	History of Western Art:	3
ART205	History of Western Art:	3
ART206	History of Western Art:	3
ART225	Computer Art I	3
ART244	Bronze Casting	3
ART253	Ceramics I	3
ART256	Ceramics II	3
ART281	Painting I Beginning	3
ART282	Painting II Beginning	3
ART283	Painting III Beginning	3
ART284	Painting I Intermediate	3
ART285	Painting II Intermediate	3
ART286	Painting III Intermediate	3
ASL201	2nd Yr American Sign Language I	4
ASL202	2nd Yr American Sign Language II	4
ASL203	2nd Yr American Sign Language III	4
ENG104	Introduction to Literature Fiction	3
ENG105	Introduction to Literature Drama	3
ENG106	Introduction to Literature Poetry	3
ENG107	World Literature	3
or ENG107H	World Literature w/Honors	
ENG108	World Literature	3
ENG109	World Literature	3
ENG201	Shakespeare	3
ENG204	Survey of English Literature	3
or ENG204H	Survey of English Lit w/Honors	
ENG205	Survey of English Literature	3
ENG206	Survey of English Literature	3
HUM204	World Mythlgy & Religion	3
HUM205	World Mythlgy & Religion	3
HUM206	World Mythlgy & Religion	3
J203	Writing for Media I	3

J205	Writing for Media II	3	HST102	History of Western Civilization	3
J215	Publishing Lab	3	HST103	History of Western Civilization	3
MUS101	Music Fundamentals	3	HST104	History of the Middle East	3
MUS111	Music Theory I	3	HST201	History of the United States	3
MUS112	Music Theory II	3	HST202	History of the United States	3
MUS113	Music Theory III	3	HST203	History of the United States	3
MUS201	Intro to Music and its Literature	3	HST240	Hist of Oregon and the South Coast	3
MUS202	Intro to Music and its Literature	3	PS201	American Government Political	3
MUS203	Intro to Music and its Literature	3	PS202	American Government Policy Issues	3
MUS205	Intro to Jazz History	3	PS203	Local Politics and Government	3
MUS206	Intro to History of Rock and Roll	3	PSY100	Introduction to Psychology	4
MUS211	Advanced Music Theory I	3	PSY201	General Psychology	3
MUS212	Advanced Music Theory II	3	or PSY201H	General Psychology w/Honors	
MUS213	Advanced Music Theory III	3	PSY202	General Psychology	3
PHL101	Introduction to Philosophy	3	or PSY202H	General Psychology w/Honors	
PHL102	Ethics	3	PSY203	General Psychology	3
PHL103	Intro to Logic and Critical Thnkg	3	or PSY203H	General Psychology w/Honors	
SP100	Basic Speech Communications	3	PSY216	Social Psychology	3
SP111	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	PSY228	Introduction to Social Science	3
SP218	Interpersonal Communication	3	PSY231	Human Sexuality	3
SP219	Small Group Discussion	3	PSY237	Life Span Development	3
SP220	Gender and Communication	3	PSY239	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	3
SPAN201	Second Year Spanish	4	SOC105	Introduction to Criminology	4
SPAN202	Second Year Spanish	4	SOC204	Introduction to Sociology	3
SPAN203	Second Year Spanish	4	SOC205	Social Institutions and Change	3
WR241	Imaginative Creative Writing	3	SOC206	Social Problems and Issues	3
WR242	Imaginative Writing Poetry Writing	3	SOC208	Sociology of Sport	3
WR243	Imaginative Writing Explorations	3	SOC210	Marriage and Family	3
			SOC213	Racial and Ethnic Relations	3
			WS101	Introduction to Women's Studies	3

Social Sciences

Three (3) courses from:

Code	Title	Credits
ANTH101	Physical Anthropology and Evolution	3
ANTH102	Introduction to Archaeology	3
ANTH221	Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH222	Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH223	Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH224	Intro to Medical Anthropology	3
ANTH230	Native North Americans: Oregon	3
ANTH231	Native North Americans: PNW	3
ANTH232	Native North Americans	3
CJ101	Intro to Criminology	4
ECON201	Microeconomics	4
ECON202	Macroeconomics	4
ED169	Overview of Student Special Needs	3
ED258	Multicultural Education	3
GEOG105	Cultural Geography	3
HDFS140	Contemporary American Families	3
HDFS222	Family Relations	3
HDFS229	Development in Middle Childhood	3
HDFS247	Preschool Child Development	3
HST101	History of Western Civilization	3

Science/Mathematics/Computer Science

Select three (3) courses with a minimum of two (2) laboratory courses in biological or physical sciences:

Laboratory Courses

Code	Title	Credits
BI101	General Biology	4
BI102	General Biology	4
BI103	General Biology	4
BI142	Habitats: Marine Biology	4
BI201	Introductory Biology	4
BI202	Introductory Biology	4
BI203	Introductory Biology	4
BI231	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BI232	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BI233	Human Anatomy and Physiology III	4
BI234	Microbiology	4
CHEM221	General Chemistry I	5
CHEM222	General Chemistry II	5
CHEM223	General Chemistry III	5
ENV235	Introduction to Soil Science	4
G201	Physical Geology I	4

G202	Physical Geology II	4
G203	Historical Geology	4
GS104	Physical Science	4
GS105	Physical Science	4
GS106	Introduction to Earth Science	4
GS107	Astronomy	4
GS108	Oceanography	4
PH201	Gen Physics I: Mechanics	5
PH202	Gen Physics II: Heat, Waves, Rel	5
PH203	Gen Physics III: Elect & Magnetism	5
PH211	Gen Physics w/Calculus I	5
PH212	Gen Physics w/Calculus II	5
PH213	Gen Physics w/Calculus III	5

Other Approved Courses

Code	Title	Credits
BI140	Practical Ecology	3
BI149	Introduction to Human Genetics	3
CHEM110	Found of Gen, Organic & Biochem	4
or CHEM110H	Fnds of Gen, Org & Biochem w/Honors	
CS160	Computer Science Orientation	4
CS161	Introduction to Computer Science I	4
CS162	Introduction to Computer Science II	4
CS261	Data Structures	4
ENV110	Introduction Environmental Science	3
G146	Geology of Southwestern Oregon	3
G207	Geology of the Pacific Northwest	3
G221	General Geology	3
G246	Geological Hazards	3
MTH105	Math in Society	4
MTH111	College Algebra	4
or MTH111H	College Algebra w/Honors	
MTH112	Trigonometry	4
or MTH112H	Trigonometry w/Honors	
MTH212	Fundamentals of Elementary	4
MTH213	Fundamentals of Elementary	4
MTH231	Elements of Discrete Mathematics I	4
MTH232	Elements of Discrete Mathematics II	4
MTH241	Calculus for Bus and Soc Science I	4
MTH242	Calculus for Bus and Soc Science II	4
MTH243	Intro to Probability and Statistics	4
MTH251	Calculus I Differential Calculus	4
or MTH251H	Calculus I w/Honors	
MTH252	Calculus II Integral Calculus	4
or MTH252H	Calculus II w/Honors	
MTH253	Calculus III	4
or MTH253H	Calculus III w/Honors	
MTH254	Vector Calculus I	4
MTH255	Vector Calculus II	4
MTH256	Differential Equations	4
MTH260	Matrix Methods and Linear Algebra	4

Electives

- Students may take any college-level course including Career and Technical Education courses without limitation that would bring total credits to 90 quarter hours.
- A maximum of nine (9) credits of PE185 sport/activity courses may be applied toward an AGS degree.
- Three (3) credits hours of PE185 may be granted toward an AGS degree for completion of military basic training. A copy of the military transcript or DD-214 is required.
- Courses numbered 199/299 will qualify as elective credit only.

Supportive Courses

Note: The College has determined the following supportive courses may be necessary to assist students to successfully complete their program; they count as electives only.

Code	Title	Credits
CIS125W	Word Processing Applications	3
HD100	College Success and Survival	3
HD111	Math Success	2
HD112	Study Skills	3
HD113	Stop Test Anxiety Now	1
HD140	Career/Education Exploration	1
HD147	Decision Making	1
HD152	Stress Management	1
HD154	Self-Esteem	1
HD204	Living Consciously	3
HD208	Career/Life Plan	3
LIB127	Navigating the 24/7 Library	1
OA121	Beginning Keyboarding	3
RD101	College Reading I	1-3
RD102	College Reading II	1-3
RD103	College Reading III	1-3

A maximum number of 45 credits is allowed for basic, developmental, or supportive courses under federal financial aid guidelines.