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

Students must complete a minimum of 90 credit hours of specified courses with a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. Twenty-four (24) credits must be completed at Southwestern before the 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 for the degree. All courses must be numbered 100 or above to counts toward an AGS degree.

Students must 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

Eight (8) credits of writing are required, so choose **two (2) courses** from below. Information Literacy will be included in the writing requirement:

Code	Title	Credits
WR121Z	Composition I	4
WR122Z	Composition II	4
or WR227Z	Technical Writing	

COMMUNICATION

One (1) course in speech:

Code	Title	Credits
COMM100Z	Introduction to Communication	4
COMM111Z	Public Speaking	4
COMM218Z	Interpersonal Communication	4
COMM219	Small Group Discussion	4

MATHEMATICS

One (1) course of college-level mathematics from MTH105Z Math in Society or higher, excluding MTH211 Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I.

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.

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS
ARTS AND LETTERS

Three (3) courses from:

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

Code	Title	Credits
ART115	Basic Design I Intro to Elements of Art and Principles of Design	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: Introduction to Art History	3
ART205	History of Western Art: Introduction to Art History	3
ART206	History of Western Art: Introduction to Art History	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
COMM100Z	Introduction to Communication	4
COMM111Z	Public Speaking	4
COMM218Z	Interpersonal Communication	4
COMM219	Small Group Discussion	4
COMM220	Gender And Communication	4
ENG104Z	Introduction To Literature: Fiction	4
ENG105Z	Introduction To Literature: Drama	4
ENG106Z	Introduction To Literature: Poetry	4
ENG107	World Literature	3
ENG108	World Literature	3
ENG109	World Literature	3
ENG201	Shakespeare	3

ENG204	Survey of English Literature	3
ENG205	Survey of English Literature	3
ENG206	Survey of English Literature	3
ENG253	Survey of American Literature	3
ENG254	Survey of American Literature	3
ENG255	Survey of American Literature	3
HUM204	World Mythology & Religion	3
HUM205	World Mythology & Religion	3
HUM206	World Mythology & Religion	3
MUS101	Music Fundamentals	3
MUS111	Music Theory I	3
MUS112	Music Theory II	3
MUS113	Music Theory III	3
MUS201	Intro to Music and its Literature	3
MUS202	Intro to Music and its Literature	3
MUS203	Intro to Music and its Literature	3
MUS205	Intro to Jazz History	3
MUS206	Intro to History of Rock and Roll	3
MUS211	Advanced Music Theory I	3
MUS212	Advanced Music Theory II	3
MUS213	Advanced Music Theory III	3
PHL101	Introduction to Philosophy: Philosophical Problems	3
PHL102	Ethics	3
PHL103	Intro to Logic and Critical Thnkg	3
SPAN201	Second Year Spanish	4
SPAN202	Second Year Spanish	4
SPAN203	Second Year Spanish	4
WR241	Imaginative Creative Writing Fiction	3
WR242	Imaginative Writing Poetry	3
WR243	Imaginative Writing Explorations	3
TA141	Acting I	3
TA142	Acting II	3
TA143	Acting Iii	3
TA153	Rehearsal/Performnc	3

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Three (3) courses from:

Code	Title	Credits
ANTH201	Physical Anthropology and Evolution	3
ANTH202	Introduction to Archaeology	3
ANTH203	Language and Culture	3
ANTH221	Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH222	Cultural Anthropology II	3
ANTH223	Cultural Anthropology III	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	Understanding Families: Supporting Diversity Disability and Risk	3
HDFS229	Child Development PreK - Adolescent	3
HDFS247	Child Development 0-8	3
HST101	History of Western Civilization	3
HST102	History of Western Civilization	3
HST103	History of Western Civilization	3
HST104	History of the Middle East	3
HST195	History of the Vietnam War	3
HST201	History of the United States	3
HST202	History of the United States	3
HST203	History of the United States	3
HST240	Hist of Oregon and the South Coast	3
PS201	American Government: Political Institutions	3
PS202	American Government: Policy Issues	3
PS203	Local Politics and Government	3
PS205	International Relations: US Foreign Policy in the 20th Century	3
PSY100	Introduction to Psychology	4
PSY201Z	General Psychology	4
PSY202Z	General Psychology	4
PSY203	General Psychology	3
PSY216	Social Psychology	3
PSY228	Introduction to Social Science Research	3
PSY231	Human Sexuality	3
PSY237	Life Span Development	3
PSY239	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology	3
SOC204	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC205	Social Institutions and Change	3
SOC206	Social Problems and Issues	3
SOC208	Sociology of Sport	3
SOC210	Marriage and Family	3
SOC213	Racial and Ethnic Relations	3
SOC218	Sociology of Gender	3

SCIENCE/MATHEMATICS/COMPUTER SCIENCE

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

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
NR260	Watershed Processes	4
PH201	General Physics I: Mechanics	5
PH202	General Physics II: Heat, Waves, Relativity	5
PH203	Gen Physics III: Elect & Magnetism	5
PH211	General Physics with Calculus I	5
PH212	General Physics with Calculus II	5
PH213	General Physics with Calculus III	5

NON-LABORATORY COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
BI140	Practical Ecology	3
BI149	Introduction to Human Genetics	3
CHEM110	Foundations of General, Organic, and Biochemistry	4
CS160	Introduction To Computer Science	4
CS161	Computer Science I	4
CS162	Computer Science II	4
CS260	Data Structures	4
ENV110	Introduction Environmental Science	3
G221	General Geology	3
G246	Geological Hazards And Natural Catastrophes	3
MTH105Z	Math in Society	4
MTH111Z	Precalculus I: Functions	4
MTH112Z	Precalculus II: Trigonometry	4
MTH212	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics II	4
MTH213	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics III	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
MTH244	Probability & Statistics II	4
MTH251	Calculus I Differential Calculus	4
MTH252	Calculus II Integral Calculus	4
MTH253	Calculus III Infinite Sequences And Series	4
MTH254	Vector Calculus I	4
MTH255	Vector Calculus II	4
MTH256	Differential Equations	4
MTH260	Matrix Methods and Linear Algebra	4
MTH264	Introduction to Matrix Algebra and Power Series	4
STAT243Z	Elementary Statistics I	4

ELECTIVES

- Students may take any college-level course including career and technical education courses without limitation that would bring total credits to 90 credit 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 that the following supportive courses may be necessary to assist students to successfully complete their program; they count as electives only.

Code	Title	Credits
CIS120	Concepts of Computing	4
CIS125W	Word Processing Applications Microsoft	3
HD100	College Success and Survival	3
HD102	College Nuts and Bolts	1
HD111	Math Success	2
HD112	Study Skills	3
HD113	Stop Test Anxiety Now	1
HD152	Stress Management	2
HD208	Career/Life Plan	3

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

Students graduating from Southwestern with a two-year degree are expected to have gained the knowledge, skills and attitudes (dispositions) and to demonstrate competency for the following institutional general learning outcomes:

ARTS & LETTERS

- Interpret and engage in the Arts & Letters, making use of the creative process to enrich the quality of life; **and**
- Critically analyze values and ethics within a range of human experience and expression to engage more fully in local and global issues.

MATHEMATICS

- Use appropriate mathematics to solve problems; **and**
- Recognize which mathematical concepts are applicable to a scenario, apply appropriate mathematics and technology in its analysis, and then accurately interpret, validate, and communicate the results.

SCIENCE OR COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Gather, comprehend, and communicate scientific and technical information in order to explore ideas, models, and solutions and generate further questions;
- Apply scientific and technical modes of inquiry, individually, and collaboratively, to critically evaluate existing or alternative explanations, solve problems, and make evidence-based decisions in an ethical manner; **and**
- Assess the strengths and weaknesses of scientific studies and critically examine the influence of scientific and technical knowledge on human society and the environment**.**

SOCIAL SCIENCE

- Apply analytical skills to social phenomena in order to understand human behavior; **and**
- Apply knowledge and experience to foster personal growth and better appreciate the diverse social world in which we live.

SPEECH/ORAL COMMUNICATION

- Engage in ethical communication processes that accomplish goals;
- Respond to the needs of diverse audiences and contexts; **and**
- Build and manage relationships.

WRITING

- Read actively, think critically, and write purposefully and capably for academic and, in some cases, professional audiences;
- Locate, evaluate, and ethically utilize information to communicate effectively; **and**
- Demonstrate appropriate reasoning in response to complex issues.

INFORMATION LITERACY

- Formulate a problem statement;
- Determine the nature and extent of the information needed to address the problem;
- Access relevant information effectively and efficiently;
- Evaluate information and its source critically; **and**
- Understand many of the economic, legal, and social issues surrounding the use of information.