

## GENERAL STUDIES

### Associate of Arts

62 credit hours

The Associate of Arts degree in General Studies is designed for students who want to experience a broad spectrum of course offerings. It includes the core curriculum that will allow a student to transfer to a four-year university to complete the final two years of a Bachelor degree. Maximum transferability can be assured when students carefully coordinate education requirements with the four-year institution of their choice. Successful completion of the degree will be attained when the student can transfer to a four-year institution as a junior.

Upon completion of the program students will be able to:

- Demonstrate the ability to use critical thinking.
- Use effective communication skills both in speaking and writing.
- Participate responsibly in the social and political environment.

*Any student who is ineligible for state, national, or industry licensure or certification is ineligible for entry into this program.*

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#### Institutional and Related Requirements – 9 hours

ENGL 1110 – Composition I (3)  
FYEX 1110 – First-year Seminar (3)  
BCIS 1115 – Introduction to Computers (3) **OR**  
BUSA 1110 – Introduction to Business (3)

*Note: If institutional/related requirements are waived, additional elective courses will be needed to meet the minimum hours required for the degree.*

#### Program Requirements

Not applicable

#### Electives – 21 hours

#### New Mexico General Education Curriculum (NMGEC) – 32 hours (as itemized below)

Communications – 6 hours  
Mathematics – 4 hours  
Science – 4 hours  
Social and Behavioral Sciences – 3 hours  
Humanities – 3 hours  
Creative and Fine Arts – 3 hours  
Flexible Nine – 9 hours