

# PROGRAM MATRIX

## ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN GENERAL STUDIES

The Associate of Arts in General Studies (AA-GS) program is the first step toward gaining the knowledge and skills needed to achieve professional goals and increase marketability. The general studies online degree prepares learners for entry in a bachelor's degree program.

The Associate of Arts in General Studies program provides a foundation of skills in a variety of general education and liberal arts that are applicable in various fields. The attainment of an Associate Degree meets the needs of adult students to prepare them for professional opportunities or higher degree levels. The AA-GS is also an important milestone for students' educational goals.

### PROGRAM COMPETENCIES AND LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate proficiency in English and Communication Skills
- Display positive attitudes in human relationship in a multicultural and diverse environment
- Demonstrate an understanding of theory and application of general education concepts
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of professional ethics that apply to personal and business decisions
- Possess basic skills and knowledge of computers and apply the tools with confidence
- Demonstrate their role in business and society

### AA-GS CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS (60 CREDITS)

The Associate of Arts degree in General Education requires completion of **60 semester credits** of coursework which includes 27 credits of General Education, 9 credits of General Foundations Courses, and 24 credits of Elective courses.

#### 1. General Education: 27 Credits/9 Courses

##### A. English Communication: 6 Credits/2 Courses

- GEN 101 English Composition I
- GEN 201 English Composition II

##### B. Mathematics/Science/Computer Science: 9 Credits /3 Courses

- GEN 104 Mathematics

- GEN 105 Algebra
- IST 221 Fundamentals of Computing

**C. Social Science: 6 Credits/2 Courses**

- ACE 100 Accelerate, Connect, Equip
- Social Sciences Elective (100/200)

**D. Humanities and Fine Arts: 6 Credits/2 Courses**

- GEN 102 United States History
- GEN 103 United States Government

**2. General Foundation Courses: 9 Credits/3 Courses**

- BUS 215 Business Communications
- BUS 225 Fundamentals of Business Ethics
- ECO 215 Survey of Economics

**3. General Education or Elective (100/200): 24 Unit Credits/8 Courses**

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## GENERAL ELECTIVE COURSES - (SELECT 8 COURSES FROM THE LIST BELOW)

- ACC 222 Financial Accounting
- BUS 214 Business Statistics
- ECO 220 Macroeconomics
- FIN 224 Principles of Financial Management
- IST 225 Computer Systems Architecture
- IST 227 Information Technology in Business
- IST 228 Data Communication and Database Management
- IST 234 Fundamentals of Database Management
- IST 235 Legal Issues in Information Technology
- IST 247 Introduction to Information Systems Analysis, Design, and Implementation
- MGT 228 Introduction to the Process of Management

- MGT 251 Organizational Behavior
- MKT 226 Principles of Marketing
- General Education or Elective (100/200)