GENERAL STUDIES, AA

Associate of Arts

This degree is designed for students undecided on a particular field of study or a career path, for students planning to pursue majors not offered at Dalton State, for students planning to transfer to private or out-of-state institutions, or for students wishing to earn the general associate’s degree only. The Associate of Arts in general studies provides students a solid foundation for further academic or professional achievement. For students planning to enter a baccalaureate degree program, coursework allows them to explore a variety of fields including psychology, history, literature, natural sciences, mathematics, and communication toward selection of an academic major of interest. For students preferring to enter the workforce, the acquisition of communication and interactive skills prepares them for successful careers in such diverse fields as management, health care, sales, and marketing. Whether pursuing academic or professional goals, students following the Associate of Arts in general studies program develop foundational knowledge and skills in communication, problem solving, and critical thinking that will enable them to be successful in whatever endeavors they engage.

Area A: Essential Skills

ENGL 1101 English Composition I 3
ENGL 1102 English Composition II 3
MATH 1001 Quantitative Skills/Reasoning 3
or MATH 1101 Intro to Mathematical Modeling
or MATH 1111 College Algebra
or MATH 1401 Elementary Statistics

Area B: Institutional Options

COMM 1110 Fundamentals of Speech 3
One of the following electives:

COMM 1120 Argumentation and Advocacy
ENGL 1105 Intro to Greek Mythology
ENGL 1110 Creative Writing
GEOL 1000 Natural Hazards
HIST 1050 Appalachian Hist-Special Topic
HIST 1051 Sports Hist & Amer Character
HLTH 1030 Health and Wellness Concepts
HUMN 1000 Mystery Fiction in Pop Culture
HUMN 1100 Political and Social Rhetoric
HUMN 1300 Christian Fiction/Pop Culture
SOC 1000 Race and Ethnicity in America
PRSP Elective (See advisor)

Area C: Humanities/Fine Arts

Choose one or two ENGL course(s): 3-6

ENGL 2000 Topics in Literature & Culture
ENGL 2111 World Literature I
ENGL 2112 World Literature II
ENGL 2120 British Literature I
ENGL 2121 British Literature II
ENGL 2130 American Literature I
ENGL 2131 American Literature II
ENGL 2201 Intro to Film as Literature

If only one ENGL course is chosen, add one of the following: 0-3

ARTS 1100 Art Appreciation
HUMN 1201 Expressions of Culture I
HUMN 1202 Expressions of Culture II
MUSC 1100 Music Appreciation
MUSC 1110 World Music
MUSC 1120 American Music
THEA 1100 Theatre Appreciation

Area D: Science/Mathematics/Technology

Lab Science Electives: 8

ASTR 1010 Astronomy of the Solar System
& 1010L Astronomy of Solar Sys. Lab
ASTR 1020 Stellar and Galactic Astronomy
& 1020L Stellar & Galac. Astronomy Lab
BIOL 1105K Environmental Studies
BIOL 1107K Principles of Biology I
BIOL 1108K Principles of Biology II
BIOL 1203K Principles of Botany
BIOL 1224K Entomology
CHEM 1151K Survey of Chemistry
CHEM 1211K Principles of Chemistry I
CHEM 1212K Principles of Chemistry II
GEOL 1121K Principles of Geology
GEOL 1122K Historical Geology
GEOL 1131K Geology & the Environment
PHYS 1111K Introductory Physics I
PHYS 1112K Introductory Physics II
PHYS 2211K Principles of Physics I
PHYS 2212K Principles of Physics II

One of the following electives: 3-4

ASTR 1010 Astronomy of the Solar System
ASTR 1020 Stellar and Galactic Astronomy
BIOL 1105K Environmental Studies
BIOL 1107K Principles of Biology I
BIOL 1108K Principles of Biology II
BIOL 1203K Principles of Botany
BIOL 1224K Entomology
CHEM 1151K Survey of Chemistry
CHEM 1211K Principles of Chemistry I
CHEM 1212K Principles of Chemistry II
CMPS 1301 Principles of Programming I
CMPS 1302 Principles of Programming II
GEOL 1121K Principles of Geology
GEOL 1122K Historical Geology
GEOL 1131K Geology & the Environment
MATH 1113 Precalculus Mathematics
MATH 1401 Elementary Statistics
MATH 2181 Applied Calculus
MATH 2253 Calculus and Analytic Geom I
MATH 2254 Calculus and Analytic Geom II
PHYS 1111K Introductory Physics I
PHYS 1112K Introductory Physics II
PHYS 2211K Principles of Physics I
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**Area F: Major Related: General Studies Option**  
18 credit hours chosen from Areas B-F. Courses previously used to satisfy other Area B-F requirements cannot be shared here. Please note that courses from Area B are one credit hour.

**Physical Education**

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**Total Hours** 61-62

* MUSC 1080, 1090, 2600, and 2800 are repeatable with a maximum of 6 credit hours counted toward Area F.