

GENERAL STUDIES (AA)

Program Overview

The General Studies (AA) degrees is a 2-year undergraduate transfer degree program designed largely for the completion of the general education requirements and related lower division studies typically pursued during the first two years of a four-year baccalaureate degree program. Most of the coursework in this transfer AA degree program encompasses CSU's Core Curriculum requirements, which include some preparatory or introductory coursework for upper division requirements in particular majors. However, these transfer associate degrees do not include in-depth studies in a particular major, which are typically pursued at the upper division level (last two years) of a four-year degree program.

Career Opportunities

This degree is intended to serve as an undergraduate transfer degree program, designed largely for the completion of the general education requirements and related lower division studies typically pursued during the first two years of a four-year baccalaureate degree program.

Program of Study

| Code | Title | Credit Hours |
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| Core IMPACTS Area : Institutional Priorities ¹ | | 4-5 |
| COMM 1110 | Public Speaking | 3 |
| ITDS 1779 | Scholarship Across the Disciplines | 2 |
| LEAD 1705 | Introduction to Servant Leadership | 2 |
| PERS 1506 | Perspectives 1-hour | 1 |
| PERS 1507 | Perspectives 2-hour | 2 |
| Foreign Language Course Options | | |
| ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GERM, GREK, ITAL, JAPN, KREN, LATIN, PORT, SPAN - 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002 | | |
| SWAH 1001 | Elementary Swahili I | |
| SWAH 1002 | Elementary Swahili II | |
| Core IMPACTS Area : Mathematics & Quantitative Skills ¹ | | 3-7 |
| DATA 1501 | Introduction to Data Science | 3 |
| MATH 1001 | Quantitative Skills and Reasoning | 3 |
| MATH 1101 | Introduction to Mathematical Modeling | 3 |
| MATH 1111 | College Algebra | 3 |
| MATH 1113 | Pre-Calculus | 4 |
| MATH 1125 | Applied Calculus | 3 |
| MATH 1131 | Calculus with Analytic Geometry I | 4 |
| MATH 1132 | Calculus with Analytic Geometry II | 4 |
| MATH 1165 | Computer-Assisted Problem Solving | 3 |
| MATH 1401 | Introduction to Statistics | 3 |
| MATH 1501 | Calculus I | 4 |
| MATH 2125 | Introduction to Discrete Mathematics | 3 |
| STAT 1401 | Elementary Statistics | 3 |
| Core IMPACTS Area : Political Science and U.S. History | | 6 |
| HIST 2111 | U. S. History to 1865 | 3 |
| or HIST 2112 | U. S. History since 1865 | |
| POLS 1101 | American Government | 3 |
| Core IMPACTS Area : Arts, Humanities, and Ethics | | 6 |
| Select one Fine Arts course | | 3 |

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| ARTH 1100 | Art Appreciation | |
| ARTH 2125 | Introduction to the History of Art I– Prehistoric through Gothic | |
| ARTH 2126 | Introduction to the History of Art II– Renaissance through Modern | |
| MUSC 1100 | Music Appreciation | |
| THEA 1100 | Theatre Appreciation | |
| ITDS 1145 | Comparative Arts ² | |
| Select one Humanities course | | 3 |
| ENGL 2111 | World Literature I | |
| ENGL 2112 | World Literature II | |
| ITDS 1774 | Introduction to Digital Humanities | |
| PHIL 2010 | Introduction to Philosophy | |
| ITDS 1145 | Comparative Arts ² | |
| Core IMPACTS Area : Communicating in Writing | | 6 |
| ENGL 1101 | English Composition I | 3 |
| ENGL 1102 | English Composition II | 3 |
| Core IMPACTS Area : Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences ¹ | | 7-11 |
| ANTH 1145 | Human Origins | 3 |
| ASTR 1105 | Descriptive Astronomy: The Solar System | 3 |
| ASTR 1106 | Descriptive Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies | 3 |
| ASTR 1305 | Descriptive Astronomy Lab | 1 |
| ATSC 1112 | Understanding the Weather | 3 |
| ATSC 1112L | Understanding the Weather Lab | 1 |
| BIOL 1125 | Contemporary Issues in Biology Non-Lab | 3 |
| BIOL 1215K | Introductory Biology | 4 |
| BIOL 1225K | Contemporary Issues in Biology with Lab | 4 |
| CHEM 1151 & 1151L | Survey of Chemistry I and Survey of Chemistry I Lab | 4 |
| CHEM 1152 & 1152L | Survey of Chemistry II and Survey of Chemistry II Lab | 4 |
| CHEM 1211 & 1211L | Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry I Lab | 4 |
| CHEM 1212 & 1212L | Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry II Lab | 4 |
| CPSC 1105 | Introduction to Computing Principles and Technology | 3 |
| CPSC 1301K | Computer Science I | 4 |
| ENVS 1105 | Environmental Studies | 3 |
| ENVS 1105L | Environmental Studies Laboratory | 1 |
| ENVS 1205K | Sustainability and the Environment | 4 |
| GEOG 2215 | Introduction to the Geographic Information Systems | 3 |
| GEOL 1110 | Natural Disasters: Our Hazardous Environment | 3 |
| GEOL 1121 | Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology | 3 |
| GEOL 1121L | Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology Lab | 1 |
| GEOL 1122 | Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology | 3 |
| GEOL 1322 | Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology Lab | 1 |
| GEOL 2225 | The Fossil Record | 4 |
| PHYS 1111 & PHYS 1311 | Introductory Physics I and Introductory Physics I Lab | 4 |
| PHYS 1112 & PHYS 1312 | Introductory Physics II and Introductory Physics II Lab | 4 |

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| PHYS 1125 | Physics of Color and Sound | 3 |
| PHYS 1325 | Physics of Color and Sound Lab | 1 |
| PHYS 2211 & PHYS 2311 | Principles of Physics I and Principles of Physics I Lab | 4 |
| PHYS 2212 & PHYS 2312 | Principles of Physics II and Principles of Physics II Lab | 4 |
| Core IMPACTS Area : Social Sciences | | 6 |
| Select one Behavioral Science course | | |
| ECON 2105 | Principles of Macroeconomics | |
| ECON 2106 | Principles of Microeconomics | |
| PHIL 2030 | Moral Philosophy | |
| PSYC 1101 | Introduction to General Psychology | |
| SOCI 1101 | Introduction to Sociology | |
| Select one World Cultures course | | 3 |
| ANTH 1107 | Discovering Archaeology | |
| ANTH 1105 | Cultural Anthropology | |
| ANTH 2105 | Ancient World Civilizations | |
| ANTH 2136 | Language and Culture | |
| ENGL 2136 | Language and Culture | |
| GEOG 1101 | World Regional Geography | |
| HIST 1111 | World History to 1500 | |
| HIST 1112 | World History since 1500 | |
| ITDS 1155 | The Western Intellectual Tradition | |
| ITDS 1156 | Understanding Non-Western Cultures | |
| Core IMPACTS Total Hours | | 42 |
| Health and Wellness | | 3 |
| KINS 1106 | Lifetime Wellness | 2 |
| | or PHED 1205 Concepts of Fitness | |
| Select one PEDS course (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/course-descriptions/peds/#peds) | | |

¹ The hours applied in the Institutional Priorities; Mathematics & Quantitative Skills; and Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences areas must add to 18 credit hours.

² ITDS 1145 Comparative Arts, though listed under both Fine Arts and Humanities, may be taken only once.

Degree Requirements

| Code | Title | Credit Hours |
|--|-------|--------------|
| Core Requirements | | |
| Complete the core requirements for this program | | 45 |
| Field of Study Requirements | | |
| Select any Core IMPACTS course that has not been counted elsewhere | | 18 |
| Total Credit Hours | | 63 |

Program Map

| Course | Title | Credit Hours |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------|
| First Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| ENGL 1101 | English Composition I (minimum grade of C) | 3 |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| MATH 1001 | Quantitative Skills and Reasoning (or higher) | |
| MATH 1101 | Introduction to Mathematical Modeling (or higher) | |
| AREA F | Appropriate Area B-F course ¹ | 3 |
| AREA E | Behavioral Science Course | 3 |
| HIST 2111 | U. S. History to 1865 | 3 |
| | or HIST 2112 or U. S. History since 1865 | |
| Credit Hours | | 15 |
| Spring | | |
| ENGL 1102 | English Composition II (minimum grade of C) | 3 |
| AREA D | Math/Science/Tech Course | 3 |
| AREA F | Appropriate Area B-F course ¹ | 3 |
| AREA D | Lab Science Course | 4 |
| Area B1 | COMM 1110 Public Speaking or foreign language 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002 | 3 |
| Area B2 | ITDS 1779 (2), LEAD 1705 (2), PERS 1506 (1; may be repeated with different topic), PERS 1507 (2) | 2 |
| Credit Hours | | 18 |
| Second Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| FL 1002 | Foreign Language 1002 or appropriate Area B-F course | 3 |
| POLS 1101 | American Government | 3 |
| AREA F | Appropriate Area B-F course ¹ | 3 |
| AREA C | Humanities Course | 3 |
| AREA C | Fine Arts Course | 3 |
| Credit Hours | | 15 |
| Spring | | |
| FL 2001 | Foreign Language 2001 or appropriate Area B-F course | 3 |
| AREA D | Non-lab Science Course | 3 |
| AREA E | World Culture Course | 3 |
| AREA F | Appropriate Area B-F course ¹ | 3 |
| KINS 1106 | Lifetime Wellness | 2 |
| | or PHED 1205 or Concepts of Fitness | |
| Physical Education (Any 1000 Level) | | 1 |
| Credit Hours | | 15 |
| Total Credit Hours | | 63 |

¹ Select any course approved for Areas B-F at the institution that has not been counted elsewhere.

Admission Requirements

There are no program specific admission requirements.

Additional Program Requirements

There are no program specific academic regulations.