

Associate of Arts (AA) Degree:**REQUIREMENTS**

The Liberal Arts and Sciences AA degree forms the foundation of a traditional liberal arts education and will satisfy a large portion of the general education course requirements for bachelor's degrees at four-year colleges and universities. The degree is the basic graduation award toward which most students will work if they intend to transfer. It emphasizes a broad general education. In order to obtain an AA degree, students must complete the following requirements:

- Successful completion of a minimum of 60 semester credits numbered 1000 or above.
- Achieve an overall GPA of 2.00 and a GPA of 2.00 within the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC).
- Earn at least 20 of the 60 credits at M State.
- Complete a minimum of 40 credits from the MnTC and fulfill individual requirements in each of the ten MnTC goal areas.

Students may satisfy the MnTC requirement with a variety of courses and credits. Some courses will meet more than one of the ten (10) required goal areas. Fulfilling the minimum requirements in each goal area may not satisfy the 40 credit minimum. Some additional credits beyond the minimum requirements in goals 1-10 could be needed to achieve the overall 40 credit MnTC requirement. Students should carefully review and monitor their progress.

In order to be certified as having met all the requirements of the college's Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC), a student must successfully complete courses as prescribed in the following Liberal Arts and Sciences education distribution areas with a minimum GPA of 2.00. Transfer courses with grades of A-D will be included in the GPA calculation for the MnTC

AREA 1: Communication

Complete a minimum of nine credits as prescribed below

COMM 1100	Communication and Effective Human Relations ^{1,2}	
COMM 1120	Introduction to Public Speaking	1
COMM 1130	Small Group Communication	1,2
COMM 1140	Interpersonal Communication	1,2
ENGL 1215	Professional and Technical Writing	1
ENGL 2321	Women in Literature	1,2,6,7

AREA 2: Critical Thinking

Complete a minimum of six credits from at least two different discipline areas

ART 1123	Global Art History: Asian, Islamic, African, Mesoamerican	2,6
BIOL 1104	Biology of Human Concerns	2,3
BIOL 1107	Environmental Science Issues	2,3,10
BIOL 1108	Environmental Science Issues Lab	2,3,10
CHEM 1111	General Inorganic Chemistry I	2,3
CHEM 1112	General Inorganic Chemistry II	2,3
CHEM 1115	Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry	2,3
CHEM 2224	Organic Chemistry I	2,3
CHEM 2225	Organic Chemistry II	2,3
COMM 1100	Communication and Effective Human Relations	1,2
COMM 1130	Small Group Communication	1,2
COMM 1140	Interpersonal Communication	1,2
CSCI 1110	Informatics	2,9
ECON 1150	Essentials of Economics	2,5
ECON 2210	Macroeconomics	2,5
ECON 2222	Microeconomics	2,5,9
ENGL 2230	Environmental Literature	2,6,10

ENGL 2234	Introduction to Literature: Short Stories	2,6,7
ENGL 2235	Introduction to Literature: Drama	2,6,8
ENGL 2237	Introduction to Literature: Short Prose	2,6,9
ENGL 2239	Nature Writers	2,6,10
ENGL 2304	Introduction to Literature, Native American Focus	2,6
ENGL 2321	Women in Literature	1,2,6,7
ENGL 2322	Banned Literature	2,6,7
ENGL 2323	Horror and Supernatural Fiction	2,6
ENGL 2324	Travel Literature	2,6,10
ENGL 2372	Children's Literature	2,6,7
ENGL 2374	The Poetics of Rock Lyrics	2,6
HONS 1101	Introduction to Honors	2
HONS 2900	Honors Capstone Seminar	2
HUM 1110	Native American Culture	2,6,7
HUM 2210	Introduction to Film	2,6
HUM 2236	Technology in the Humanities	2,6,8
HUM 2301	Heroes, Moral and Cultural	2,6
ILS 1100	Integrative Learning Seminar I	2
ILS 2100	Integrative Learning Seminar II	2
MATH 1102	Finite Math	2,4
MATH 1114	College Algebra	2,4
MATH 1115	Functions/Trigonometry	2,4
MATH 1116	College Trigonometry	2,4
MATH 1118	Precalculus	2,4
MATH 1122	Applied Calculus and Linear Algebra	2,4
MATH 1134	Calculus I	2,4
MATH 1135	Calculus II	2,4
MATH 1207	Elementary Statistics	2,4
MATH 1213	Introduction to Statistics	2,4
MATH 2200	Principles of Arithmetic	2,4
MATH 2231	Calculus III	2,4
MATH 2257	Linear Algebra	2,4
MUSC 1121	Basic Theory and Musicianship I	2,6
MUSC 1122	Basic Theory and Musicianship II	2,6
MUSC 2231	Advanced Theory and Musicianship III	2,6
MUSC 2232	Advanced Theory and Musicianship IV	2,6
PHIL 1130	Critical Thinking	2
PHIL 1200	Applied and Professional Ethics	2,9
PHIL 1201	Ethics	2,6,9
PHIL 2224	Philosophy of Religion	2,6,8
PHIL 2225	Bioethics	2,9
PHIL 2230	Existentialism	2,6
PSYC 1101	Human Interaction	2,5
PSYC 2226	Behavior and Environmental Management	2,5,10
SOC 1111	Introduction to Sociology	2,5,7
SOC 2215	Criminology	2,5

AREA 3: Natural Sciences

Complete a minimum of six credits; at least one course must include a lab (* denotes lab courses)

BIOL 1102	Introduction to Horticulture	3
BIOL 1104	Biology of Human Concerns	2,3
BIOL 1107	Environmental Science Issues	2,3,10
BIOL 1108	Environmental Science Issues Lab	2,3,10
BIOL 1115	Introduction to Biotechnology	3
BIOL 1152	Food Science	3
BIOL 1161	Introduction to Freshwater Biology	3,10
BIOL 2265	Diagnostic Microbiology	3
CHEM 1111	General Inorganic Chemistry I	2,3
CHEM 1112	General Inorganic Chemistry II	2,3
CHEM 1115	Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry	2,3
CHEM 2224	Organic Chemistry I	2,3
CHEM 2225	Organic Chemistry II	2,3
GLST 1510	Global Studies: Natural Science	3,8
PHYS 1106	Fund of Physics - Mechanics	3
PHYS 1411	University Physics I	3
PHYS 1412	University Physics II	3

AREA 4: Mathematics/Logical Reasoning

Complete a minimum of three credits

MATH 1102	Finite Math	2,4
MATH 1114	College Algebra	2,4
MATH 1115	Functions/Trigonometry	2,4
MATH 1116	College Trigonometry	2,4
MATH 1118	Precalculus	2,4
MATH 1122	Applied Calculus and Linear Algebra	2,4
MATH 1134	Calculus I	2,4
MATH 1135	Calculus II	2,4
MATH 1207	Elementary Statistics	2,4
MATH 1213	Introduction to Statistics	2,4
MATH 2200	Principles of Arithmetic	2,4
MATH 2231	Calculus III	2,4
MATH 2257	Linear Algebra	2,4
PHIL 2235	Symbolic Logic	4

AREA 5: History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences

Complete a minimum of nine credits from at least two different discipline areas

ANTH 1100	Introduction to Anthropology	5,8
ECON 1150	Essentials of Economics	2,5
ECON 2210	Macroeconomics	2,5
ECON 2222	Microeconomics	2,5,9
GEOG 1110	World Geography	5,8
HIST 1110	Western Civilization: Ancient-1400's	5,8
HIST 1111	Western Civilization: 1400's-1600's	5,8
HIST 1112	Western Civilization: 1600's-1800's	5,8
HIST 1113	Western Civilization: 20th Century	5,8
HIST 1500	European Experience	5,8
HIST 1600	History of Baseball	5
HIST 2211	American History: the Colonial Period	5,8
HIST 2212	American History 19th Century	5,7
HIST 2213	American History: 20th Century	5,7
MCOM 1122	Introduction to Mass Communication	5,9
PHIL 2300	Political and Social Philosophy	5,7
PSYC 1101	Human Interaction	2,5
PSYC 1500	Positive Psychology	5,9
PSYC 2226	Behavior and Environmental Management	2,5,10
SOC 1111	Introduction to Sociology	2,5,7
SOC 1113	Social Problems	5,9
SOC 1114	Sociology Service Learning	5
SOC 2210	Social Deviance	5,7
SOC 2213	Sociology of the Family	5,7
SOC 2215	Criminology	2,5
SOC 2216	Minority Group Relations	5,7
SOC 2217	Rural Sociology	5,7
SOC 2220	Food, Culture and Society	5,7
SOC 2222	Sociology of Agriculture	5
WMST 1130	Introduction to Women's Studies	5,7

AREA 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts

Complete a minimum of nine credits from at least three different discipline areas; a maximum of three Fine Arts credits may be utilized (^ denotes Fine Arts courses)

ART 1121	World of Art I	6,8
ART 1122	World of Art II	6,8
ART 1123	Global Art History: Asian, Islamic, African, Mesoamerican	2,6
ART 1124	American Art	6,7
ART 1141	Ceramics I	6
ART 2241	Advanced Ceramics	6
ART 2260	Art, Portfolio Design and Professional Development	6
COMM 2220	Oral Interpretation	6
ENGL 2200	Introduction to Creative Writing	6
ENGL 2221	Creative Writing: Poetry	6
ENGL 2222	Creative Writing: Fiction	6

