

## Associate in Arts (AA) Degree:

### REQUIREMENTS

The Associate in Arts degree can be used to fulfill freshman-sophomore general education requirements in all the state universities in Minnesota, and at several colleges within the University of Minnesota. 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 uniform 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 Minnesota Transfer Curriculum.
- Earn at least 20 of the 60 credits at M State.
- Complete a minimum of 40 credits of Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC).
- Students may satisfy the MnTC requirement with a variety of courses and credits. Some courses will serve more than one of the ten (10) required areas of emphasis. Fulfilling the minimum required credits of courses in each area of emphasis will not necessarily equal 40 credits. Some additional credits beyond the minimum requirements in Areas 1-10 may be required to achieve the overall 40 credit liberal education component. Students should carefully review and tally their progress.

In order to be certified as having met all the requirements of the College's Minnesota Transfer Curriculum, a student must successfully complete courses as prescribed in the following liberal education distribution areas with a minimum GPA of 2.00.

#### AREA 1: Communication

9 Credit Minimum

Must take three credits from the following:

ENGL 1101 College Writing 1

Must take three credits from the following:

ENGL 1205 Writing About Literature 1  
 ENGL 1210 Writing About Current Issues 1  
 ENGL 1215 Professional & Technical Writing 1

Must take three credits from the following:

COMM 1120 Introduction to Public Speaking 1  
 COMM 1130 Small Group Communication 1,2  
 COMM 1140 Interpersonal Communication 1,2

May take for additional credits:

COMM 1100 Communication and Effective Human Relations 1,2  
 PHIL 2200 Philosophy of Communications 1,2

#### AREA 2: Critical Thinking

Complete a minimum of 6 credits from any two of the following discipline areas:

ART 1107 Foundations of Art, 2-D 2,6  
 ART 1117 Printmaking I 2,6  
 ART 1123 Global Art History: Asian, Islamic, African, Mesoamerican 2,6  
 ART 2111 Drawing II 2  
 ART 2112 Painting II 2  
 ART 2114 Photographic Art I 2  
 BIOL 1104 Biology of Human Concerns 2,3  
 BIOL 1107 Environmental Science Issues 2,3,10  
 BIOL 1108 Env Science Issues Lab 2,3,10  
 BIOL 1122 General Biology I 2,3  
 BIOL 2202 Principles of Nutrition 2,3  
 CHEM 1100 Fund Concepts Chemistry 2,3  
 CHEM 1101 Prin of General Chemistry 2,3  
 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  
 COMM 1100 Communication and Effective Human Relations 1,2  
 COMM 1130 Small Group Communication 1,2

COMM 1140 Interpersonal Communication 1,2  
 COMM 2240 Family Communication 2  
 ECON 1150 Essentials of Economics 2,5  
 ECON 2210 Macroeconomics 2,5  
 ECON 2222 Microeconomics 2,5,9  
 ECON 2500 Environmental Economics 2,5,10  
 ENGL 2230 Environmental Literature 2,6,10  
 ENGL 2234 Intro to Literature: Short Stories 2,6,7  
 ENGL 2235 Intro to Literature: Drama 2,6,8  
 ENGL 2236 Introduction to Literature: Novel 2,6,7  
 ENGL 2237 Intro 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 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 Science, Class and Culture - Conceptual Wars 2,6  
 HUM 2303 A Conceptual Mingling, Love and Sex 2,6  
 HUM 2304 Rhetoric, Sophistry and the Truth 2,6  
 ILS 1100 Integrative Learning Seminar I 2  
 ILS 2100 Integrative Learning Seminar II 2  
 MATH 1100 World of Math 2,4  
 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 Adv Theory and Musicianship III 2,6  
 MUSC 2232 Adv 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 1211 Intro to Philosophy 2,6  
 PHIL 2200 Philosophy of Communications 1,2  
 PHIL 2224 Philosophy of Religion 2,6,8  
 PHIL 2225 Bioethics 2,9  
 PHIL 2230 Existentialism 2,6  
 POLS 2220 Intro to Constitutional Theory 2,5,9  
 PSYC 1101 Human Interaction 2,5  
 PSYC 2226 Behavior and Environmental Management 2,5,10  
 SOC 1111 Intro to Sociology 2,5,7  
 SOC 2215 Criminology 2,5

#### AREA 3: Natural Sciences

Complete a minimum of 6 credits from the following list. At least one course must include a lab (\* denotes non-lab courses).

ANTH 1400 Physical Anthropology 3,10  
 \*BIOL 1102 Introduction to Horticulture 3  
 \*BIOL 1104 Biology of Human Concerns 2,3  
 BIOL 1107 Environmental Science Issues 2,3,10  
 \*BIOL 1108 Env Science Issues Lab 2,3,10  
 BIOL 1115 Introduction to Biotechnology 3  
 \*BIOL 1122 General Biology I 2,3  
 \*BIOL 1123 General Biology II 3,10  
 BIOL 1152 Food Science 3  
 \*BIOL 1161 Introduction to Freshwater Biology 3,10  
 \*BIOL 2010 General Ecology 3,10  
 BIOL 2202 Principles of Nutrition 2,3  
 \*BIOL 2220 General Microbiology 3  
 \*BIOL 2240 Genetics 3  
 BIOL 2257 Medical Microbiology 3  
 BIOL 2260 Human Anatomy and Physiology I 3  
 \*BIOL 2261 Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab 1

BIOL 2262 Human Anatomy and Physiology II 3  
 \*BIOL 2263 Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab 1  
 \*BIOL 2265 Diagnostic Microbiology 4  
 \*BIOL 2266 Diagnostic Microbiology 5  
 \*CHEM 1100 Fund Concepts Chemistry 2,3  
 \*CHEM 1101 Prin of General Chemistry 2,3  
 \*CHEM 1111 General Inorganic Chemistry I 2,3  
 \*CHEM 1112 General Inorganic Chemistry II 2,3  
 \*CHEM 1115 Intro 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 1105 Fundamental Concepts in Physics 3  
 \*PHYS 1106 Fund of Physics - Mechanics 3  
 PHYS 1107 Physics of Music 3,6  
 PHYS 1120 Introduction to Astronomy 3  
 \*PHYS 1401 College Physics I 3  
 \*PHYS 1402 College Physics II 3  
 \*PHYS 1411 University Physics I 3  
 \*PHYS 1412 University Physics II 3

#### AREA 4: Mathematics/Logical Reasoning

Complete a minimum of 3 credits

MATH 1100 World of Math 2,4  
 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 9 credits selected from two different discipline areas.

ANTH 1100 Introduction to Anthropology 5,8  
 ANTH 1300 Cultural Anthropology 5,8  
 ECON 1150 Essentials of Economics 2,5  
 ECON 2210 Macroeconomics 2,5  
 ECON 2222 Microeconomics 2,5,9  
 ECON 2500 Environmental Economics 2,5,10  
 GEOG 1110 World Geography 5,8  
 HIST 1110 Western Civilization: Ancient-1400 5,8  
 HIST 1111 Western Civilization: 1400 -1600 5,8  
 HIST 1112 Western Civilization: 1600 -1800 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 5,7  
 HIST 2212 American History 19th Century 5,7  
 HIST 2213 American History: 20th Century 5,7  
 MCOM 1122 Intro to Mass Communication 5,9  
 PHIL 2300 Political and Social Philosophy 5,7  
 POLS 1120 American National Government 5,9  
 POLS 1130 State and Local Government 5,9  
 POLS 2204 Comparative Government 5,8  
 POLS 2206 Global Politics 5,8  
 POLS 2220 Intro to Constitutional Theory 2,5,9  
 PSYC 1101 Human Interaction 2,5  
 PSYC 1200 General Psychology 5,9  
 PSYC 1500 Positive Psychology 5,9  
 PSYC 2220 Abnormal Psychology 5  
 PSYC 2222 Developmental Psychology 5,9  
 PSYC 2224 Social Psychology 5,7  
 PSYC 2226 Behavior and Environmental Management 2,5,10  
 PSYC 2230 Personality Psychology 5  
 SOC 1111 Intro 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	MUSC 1123	Sight Singing & Ear Training I	6	ENGL 2362	British Literature II	6,8
WMST 1130	Introduction to Women's Studies	5,7	MUSC 1124	Sight Singing & Ear Training II	6	GEOG 1110	World Geography	5,8
<b>AREA 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts</b>			MUSC 1131	Civic Orchestra	6	GEOG 1160	Global Physical Geography	8,10
<i>Complete a minimum of 9 credits selected from the 3 different discipline areas. (A maximum of 3 Fine Arts credits may be utilized)</i>			MUSC 1135	Voice Ensemble	6	GLST 1121	Humanities Italy	6,8
ART 1107	Foundations of Art, 2-D	2,6	MUSC 1141	Concert Choir	6	GLST 1126	Cultures of Italy and Greece II	6,8
ART 1108	Foundations of Art, 3-D	6	MUSC 1145	Chamber Chorale	6	GLST 1510	Global Studies: Natural Science	3,8
ART 1110	Intro to Art	6	MUSC 1150	History of Jazz	6	GLST 2291	Humanities British Isles	6,8
ART 1111	Drawing I	6	MUSC 1151	Ind Voice Lessons	6	HIST 1110	Western Civilization: Ancient-1400	5,8
ART 1112	Painting I	6	MUSC 1160	Makings of a Rock Band	6	HIST 1111	Western Civilization: 1400 -1600	5,8
ART 1117	Printmaking I	2,6	MUSC 1162	Jazz Ensemble	6	HIST 1112	Western Civilization: 1600 -1800	5,8
ART 1118	Watercolor I	6	MUSC 1164	Concert Band	6	HIST 1113	Western Civilization: 20th Century	5,8
ART 1121	World of Art I	6,8	MUSC 1168	Pep Band	6	HIST 1500	European Experience	5,8
ART 1122	World of Art II	6,8	MUSC 1181	Private Instrumental Lessons	6	HUM 1105	Religion in the Humanities	6,8
ART 1123	Global Art History: Asian, Islamic, African, Mesoamerican	2,6	MUSC 1185	Private Music Composition Lessons	6	HUM 1120	Culture of Italy	6,8
ART 1124	American Art	6,7	MUSC 1191	Ind Piano Lessons	6	HUM 1134	Global Perspectives for Women	6,8
ART 1140	Handbuilt Ceramics	6	MUSC 1192	Piano Pedagogy	6	HUM 2230	World Cinema	6,8
ART 1141	Ceramics I	6	MUSC 2223	Sight Singing & Ear Training III	6	HUM 2236	Technology in the Humanities	2,6,8
ART 2241	Advanced Ceramics	6	MUSC 2224	Sight Singing & Ear Training IV	6	HUM 2281	Culture of the British Isles	6,8
ART 2260	Art, Portfolio Design and Professional Development	6	MUSC 2231	Adv Theory and Musicianship III	2,6	HUM 2293	Field Experience: Europe	6,8
ART 2261	Art, Portfolio Design and Professional Development	6	MUSC 2232	Adv Theory and Musicianship IV	2,6	HUM 2295	Field Experience: The East	6,8
COMM 2220	Oral Interpretation	6	MUSC 2251	Individual Voice Lessons	6	MUSC 1116	World Music	6,8
ENGL 2200	Introduction to Creative Writing	6	MUSC 2281	Private Instrumental Lessons	6	PHIL 2224	Philosophy of Religion	2,6,8
ENGL 2221	Creative Writing: Poetry	6	MUSC 2285	Advanced Music Composition	6	PHIL 2240	Non-Western Philosophical Perspectives	6,8
ENGL 2222	Creative Writing: Fiction	6	MUSC 2291	Individual Piano Lessons	6	POLS 2204	Comparative Government	5,8
ENGL 2223	Creative Writing: Personal Narrative	6	PHIL 1201	Ethics	2,6,9	POLS 2206	Global Politics	5,8
ENGL 2228	A Well Examined Life: Reading and Writing Memoir	6,7	PHIL 1211	Intro to Philosophy	2,6	SPAN 2211	Intermediate Spanish	8
ENGL 2230	Environmental Literature	2,6,10	PHIL 2224	Philosophy of Religion	2,6,8	SPAN 2212	Intermediate Spanish II	8
ENGL 2234	Introduction to Literature: Short Stories	2,6,7	PHIL 2230	Existentialism	2,6	WMST 1136	Global Perspectives of Women	6,8
ENGL 2235	Intro to Literature: Drama	2,6,8	PHIL 2240	Non-Western Philosophical Perspectives	6,8	<b>AREA 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility</b>		
ENGL 2236	Introduction to Literature: Novel	2,6,7	PHYS 1107	Physics of Music	3,6	<i>Complete 3 credits</i>		
ENGL 2237	Intro to Literature: Short Prose	2,6,9	THTR 1100	Introduction to Theatre	6	ECON 2222	Microeconomics	2,5,9
ENGL 2239	Nature Writers	2,6,10	THTR 1105	Acting I	6	ENGL 2237	Intro to Literature: Short Prose	2,6,9
ENGL 2302	American Ethnic Literature	6,7	THTR 1120	Theatre Performance Practicum	6	MCOM 1122	Intro to Mass Communication	5,9
ENGL 2304	Introduction to Literature, Native American Focus	2,6	THTR 1125	Theatre Technical Practicum	6	PHIL 1200	Applied and Professional Ethics	2,9
ENGL 2310	Introduction to Mythology	6	WMST 1136	Global Perspectives of Women	6,8	PHIL 1201	Ethics	2,6,9
ENGL 2314	Introduction to Shakespeare	6	<b>AREA 7: Human Diversity</b>			PHIL 2220	Environmental Ethics	9,10
ENGL 2321	Women in Literature	6,7	<i>Complete 3 credits</i>			PHIL 2225	Bioethics	2,9
ENGL 2322	Banned Literature	2,6,7	ART 1124	American Art	6,7	POLS 1120	American National Government	5,9
ENGL 2323	Horror and Supernatural Fiction	2,6	COMM 2230	Intercultural Communication	7	POLS 1130	State and Local Government	5,9
ENGL 2324	Travel Literature	2,6,10	COMM 2250	Gender Communication	7	POLS 2220	Intro to Constitutional Theory	2,5,9
ENGL 2331	American Literature I	6,7	ENGL 2228	A Well Examined Life: Reading and Writing Memoir	6,7	POLS 2310	Ideas and Ideologies	7,9
ENGL 2332	American Literature II	6,7	ENGL 2234	Introduction to Literature: Short Stories	2,6,7	PSYC 1200	General Psychology	5,9
ENGL 2361	British Literature I	6,8	ENGL 2236	Introduction to Literature: Novel	2,6,7	PSYC 1500	Positive Psychology	5,9
ENGL 2362	British Literature II	6,8	ENGL 2302	American Ethnic Literature	6,7	PSYC 2222	Developmental Psychology	5,9
ENGL 2372	Children's Literature	2,6,7	ENGL 2321	Women in Literature	6,7	SOC 1113	Social Problems	5,9
ENGL 2374	The Poetics of Rock Lyrics	2,6	ENGL 2322	Banned Literature	2,6,7	<b>AREA 10: People and the Environment</b>		
GLST 1121	Humanities Italy	6,8	ENGL 2331	American Literature I	6,7	<i>Complete 3 credits</i>		
GLST 1126	Cultures of Italy and Greece II	6,8	ENGL 2332	American Literature II	6,7	ANTH 1400	Physical Anthropology	3,10
GLST 2291	Humanities British Isles	6,8	ENGL 2372	Children's Literature	2,6,7	BIOL 1107	Environmental Science Issues	2,3,10
HUM 1105	Religion in the Humanities	6,8	HIST 2211	American History: the Colonial Period	5,7	BIOL 1108	Env Science Issues Lab	2,3,10
HUM 1110	Native American Culture	2,6,7	HIST 2212	American History 19th Century	5,7	BIOL 1123	General Biology II	3,10
HUM 1120	Culture of Italy	6,8	HIST 2213	American History: 20th Century	5,7	BIOL 1161	Introduction to Freshwater Biology	3,10
HUM 1132	Women in the Humanities	6,7	HUM 1110	Native American Culture	2,6,7	BIOL 2010	General Ecology	3,10
HUM 1134	Global Perspectives for Women	6,8	HUM 1132	Women in the Humanities	6,7	ECON 2500	Environmental Economics	2,5,10
HUM 1201	Religion and the American Experience	6,7	HUM 1201	Religion and the American Experience	6,7	ENGL 2230	Environmental Literature	2,6,10
HUM 2210	Introduction to Film	2,6	MCS 2230	Multicultural America	7	ENGL 2239	Nature Writers	2,6,10
HUM 2230	World Cinema	6,8	MUSC 1115	America's Musical Heritage	6,7	ENGL 2324	Travel Literature	2,6,10
HUM 2236	Technology in the Humanities	2,6,8	PHIL 2300	Political and Social Philosophy	5,7	GEOG 1160	Global Physical Geography	8,10
HUM 2281	Culture of the British Isles	6,8	POLS 2310	Ideas and Ideologies	7,9	PHIL 2220	Environmental Ethics	9,10
HUM 2293	Field Experience: Europe	6,8	PSYC 2224	Social Psychology	5,7	PSYC 2226	Behavior and Environmental Management	2,5,10
HUM 2295	Field Experience: The East	6,8	PSYC 2228	Cross-Cultural Psychology	7	SFP 1100	Principles of Sustainability	10
HUM 2301	Heroes, Moral and Cultural	2,6	SOC 1111	Intro to Sociology	2,5,7			
HUM 2302	Science, Class and Culture - Conceptual Wars	2,6	SOC 2210	Social Deviance	5,7			
HUM 2303	A Conceptual Mingling, Love and Sex	2,6	SOC 2213	Sociology of the Family	5,7			
HUM 2304	Rhetoric, Sophistry and the Truth	2,6	SOC 2216	Minority Group Relations	5,7			
MUSC 1111	Fundamentals of Music	6	SOC 2217	Rural Sociology	5,7			
MUSC 1112	Beginning Class Guitar	6	SOC 2220	Food, Culture and Society	5,7			
MUSC 1113	Beg Class Voice	6	WMST 1130	Introduction to Women's Studies	5,7			
MUSC 1114	Beginning Class Piano	6	<b>AREA 8: Global Perspective</b>					
MUSC 1115	America's Musical Heritage	6,7	<i>Complete 3 credits</i>					
MUSC 1116	World Music	6,8	ANTH 1100	Introduction to Anthropology	5,8			
MUSC 1118	Rock and Pop Music	6	ANTH 1300	Cultural Anthropology	5,8			
MUSC 1120	Introduction to Music Technology	6	ART 1121	World of Art I	6,8			
MUSC 1121	Basic Theory and Musicianship I	2,6	ART 1122	World of Art II	6,8			
MUSC 1122	Basic Theory and Musicianship II	2,6	CHIN 1101	Introduction to Chinese	8			
			ENGL 2235	Intro to Literature: Drama	2,6,8			
			ENGL 2361	British Literature I	6,8			