

Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Winona, Red Wing, and Online

Overview

A well-rounded education with a range of courses in the arts, humanities, mathematics, and sciences lays the foundation for lifelong learning. By completing an Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts & Sciences (60 Credits) at Minnesota State College Southeast, you will gain a credential that enables you to transfer into a four-year university program as a college junior.

The study of liberal arts and sciences isn't just about memorizing facts -- it's learning how to learn, so you will be prepared to adapt to an ever-changing world. You are not training for a specific job, but gaining the communications and reasoning skills that will enhance your career opportunities in any area you might pursue in the future.

Workforce readiness

There is an increasing national need for all working-age adults to possess at least two years of higher education. Our region's workforce communities have indicated that they are seeking "well-rounded" individuals who possess strong critical thinking, problem solving, and communications skills. With an Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences you will be better qualified to pursue your career options.

Students can finish an Associate of Arts degree within four semesters at Southeast. All essential courses are offered every semester and the college offers evening classes, online classes and hybrid classes. A full array of Liberal Arts and Sciences courses are available at both the Red Wing and Winona campuses

Majors Within

Associate of Arts 60 credits
See back side for MnTC requirements

Program Highlights

- Build skills and knowledge that will remain relevant today, tomorrow, and beyond
- Gain high-demand critical thinking, analytical, and communication skills
- Meet general education requirements needed for transfer
- Choose electives that are appropriate for your planned transfer program
- Small class sizes and dedicated faculty



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Career Opportunities

An associate of arts degree is the foundation of your future education. This degree is designed for transfer to 4-year colleges and universities.

However, the lifelong skills and abilities mastered in the Associate of Arts program will serve students who may enter the workforce directly after completing the degree.

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Sample Full-time Program Plan

Please note that this is a sample program schedule. Your schedule may vary depending upon your needs, goals, and course availability.

Liberal Arts - AA Degree (Sample Plan)

Course No.	Course Name	Credits
First Semester (Fall)		
ENGL 1215	College Writing I	3
COMM 1218	College Speech OR	
COMM 1228	Interpersonal Communications	3
Goal 5*	History/Social/Behavioral Science	3
Goal 6*	Humanities/Fine Arts	3
INSP 1525	Career and Educational Planning	1
HLTH	Any 1000 level Health course	1
COMP	Any 1000 level Comp course	1
Semester total		15
Second Semester (Spring)		
ENGL 2525	College Writing 2	3
Goal 3*	Natural Science (without lab)	3
Goal 4	Mathematics	3
Goal 5*	History/Social/Behavioral Science	3
Goal 6*	Humanities/Fine Arts	3
Semester total		15
Third Semester (Fall)		
Goal 3*	Natural Science (with lab)	4
Goal 5*	History/Social/Behavioral Science	3
Goal 6*	Humanities/Fine Arts	3
Any Course	1000 or above	3
HLTH	Any Health course	1
COMP	Any Computer course	1
Semester total		15
Fourth Semester Spring**		
Goal 7	Human Diversity	3
Goal 8	Global Perspectives	3
Goal 9	Ethical/Civic Responsibility	3
Goal 10	People and the Environment	3
Any Course	1100 or above	3
Semester total		15
Total Required Credits		60

* Goals 3, 5, 6 require courses from at least two different subject areas.

** Courses in Goals 1-6 may also count in Goals 7-10. Work with your advisor to ensure you complete 60 total credits.

See next page for additional AA planning worksheet

(AA: 40 MnTC credits, 4 Additional credits and 16 Liberal Arts and Sciences credits)

Student Name _____ Student ID Number _____ Date _____

Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility (one course 3 cr)					
Goal 10: People and the Environment (one course 3 cr)					

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AA Degree Advisor Signature _____ Date _____

☐ I have received 33% or more of the program credits from MSC Southeast.

☐ I have earned a 2.0 GPA or greater. My overall GPA _____. My Mn Transfer Curriculum GPA _____.

☐ My AA plan has been approved by my AA Degree Advisor, including:

- ☐ I have met the Transfer Goals credit requirement. Part I
- ☐ I have met the Additional requirements. Part II
- ☐ I have met the Elective credit requirements. Part III

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