ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

60 credits

The Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree represents the completion of the first two years of several bachelor’s degree programs. Students following the Associate of Arts degree program are advised to select courses that fulfill the New Mexico Higher Education Department Common Core Requirements for all programs at NMSU and that transfer to other four-year institutions. General Education courses are designated with "G" following the prefix. Since approximately half of the requirements for an A.A. degree are met with elective credit, it is recommended that students plan these electives to meet other requirements for their planned baccalaureate degree. Undecided students are encouraged to follow this degree program because it is flexible and will help structure their coursework.

NM Common Core/General Education Requirements

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<th>Area I: Communication</th>
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<td>ENGL 111G Rhetoric and Composition</td>
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<td>Select one from the following:</td>
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<td>ENGL 203G Business and Professional Communication</td>
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<td>ENGL 211G Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences</td>
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<td>ENGL 218G Technical and Scientific Communication</td>
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<td>COMM 253G Public Speaking</td>
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<td>or COMM 265G Principles of Human Communication</td>
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Area II: Math

Select one MATH or STAT 100-200G course from the approved list of NM General Education Common Core courses. 1

Area III: Laboratory Sciences

Select two lab Science 100-200G courses listed in the NM Common Core list.

Area IV & V: Social/Behavioral Sciences and Humanities/Fine Arts

Select a total of five courses between Social Behavioral Sciences and Humanities/Fine Arts: 15

Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences:

Select 6-9 credits from 2 or 3 different disciplines in the NM Common Core list.

Area V: Humanities and Fine Arts:

Select 6-9 credits from 2 or 3 different disciplines in the NM Common Core list.

Campus Requirements

| COLL 101 College/Life Success | 3 |
| or C S 110 Computer Literacy |  |

Electives

Select a minimum of 21 credits from lower division elective course(s). 2

Total Credits 60

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1 Student’s subsequent transfer degree major should guide the selection of the math course.

2 Recommended: 8 credits from any 111-112 Second Language sequence offered at NMSU campuses. See your advisor for exact number of second language credits your selected major may require. Almost all College of Arts & Sciences majors required at least two semesters of a language; some require four semesters. New Mexico State University recommends that students take their language requirements as soon as possible and in sequence. See your advisor or the NMSU catalog for exceptions to the language requirements.

A maximum of 9 credit hours of applied coursework may be counted towards graduation. In addition, a maximum of 9 credits of PE and PE P courses can apply to the degree. See an advisor to determine which courses are considered “applied” coursework and run a degree audit.

300-400 level credits may not be applied to degree, without approval.

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