ASSOCIATE OF GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE (AGS)

REQUIRED CREDITS: 60

DEGREE CODE: AGS

DESCRIPTION
The Associate of General Studies degree is designed for students who, while seeking advanced learning in a broad variety of disciplines, do not wish to concentrate in any one particular field of study. The numerous elective credits in the degree provide students with an excellent opportunity to pursue learning in traditional academic disciplines or occupational programs. While some courses may transfer, the AGS is not intended as a transfer degree within the NSHE.

STUDENTS WISHING TO COMPLETE THIS DEGREE MUST CONSULT AN ADVISOR/SUCCESS COACH IN ORDER TO PLAN A COURSE OF STUDY.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

• Produce oral and written communication befitting the context and audience.
• Utilize mathematical, symbolic, logical, graphical, geometric, or statistical analysis for the interpretation and solution of problems.
• Identify and analyze a problem, generate and consider potential solutions, and defend the best solution based on evidence and reasoning.
• Synthesize information from a variety of academic disciplines.
• Examine the variations in human culture and incorporate perspectives of diversity.

PLEASE NOTE – The courses listed below may require a prerequisite or corequisite. Read course descriptions before registering for classes. All MATH and ENG courses numbered 01-99 must be completed before reaching 30 total college-level credits. No course under 100-level counts toward degree completion.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (25 CREDITS)

MATHEMATICS (3 credits)
MATH 104B or above

COMMUNICATIONS (6-8 credits)
ENG 100 or 101 or 113; and one course from the following: BUS 107, 108; COM 101, 102, 215; ENG 102, 107, 114, 205; JOUR 102; THTR 105

HUMANITIES (3 credits)
AM; COM; ENG 223 or above; HIST; World Languages; PHIL; RST

FINE ARTS (3 credits)
ART; DAN 101; MUS; THTR

NATURAL SCIENCE (3 credits)
AST; BIOL; CHEM; EGG 131, 132; ENV; GEOG 103, 104, 116, 117; GEOL; PHYS

SOCIAL SCIENCE (3 credits)
ANTH; CRJ 104; ECON; GEOG 106; PSC; PSY; SOC; WMST 113

U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS (4-6 credits)
PSC 101, or HIST 101 and HIST 102, or HIST 101 and HIST 217

VALUES AND DIVERSITY
All students MUST fulfill this requirement. Course chosen may also be used to fulfill the corresponding general education or special program requirements. See p. 50 for list of choices.

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (35 CREDITS)

ELECTIVES (choose 35 credits)
See an advisor/success coach to select courses.

FULL-TIME STUDENT DEGREE PLAN
Add more semesters to modify this plan to fit part-time student needs.

FIRST SEMESTER
Complete Mathematics (see courses this page) 3
ENG 100 or 101 or 113 3-5
Complete Electives4 (see courses this page) 9
TOTAL CREDITS ...................................................................................................... 15-17

SECOND SEMESTER
Complete Communications2 (see courses this page) 3
Complete Fine Arts (see courses this page) 3
Complete Electives4 (see courses this page) 9
TOTAL CREDITS ...................................................................................................... 15

THIRD SEMESTER
Complete Humanities (see courses this page) 3
Complete Social Science (see courses this page) 3
Complete Natural Science (see courses this page) 3
Complete Electives4 (see courses this page) 6
TOTAL CREDITS ...................................................................................................... 15

FOURTH SEMESTER
Complete US/Nevada Constitutions3 (see courses this page) 4-6
Complete Electives4 (see courses this page) 11
TOTAL CREDITS ...................................................................................................... 15-17

DEGREE PLAN TOTAL CREDITS ................................................................................. 60-64

1It is recommended students complete ALS 101 and READ 135 as part of their Special Program Elective Requirements.
2 Under the “Communications” heading on the General Education Requirements side, select from the choices that follow the sentence fragment, “and one of the following…”
3 PSC 101 completes this requirement at 4 credits. If you choose the HIST option, complete HIST 101 in the 3rd semester and HIST 102 or 217 in the 4th semester.

NOTE
• Course numbers with the “B” suffix may be non-transferable for a NSHE baccalaureate degree.
• Course numbers with the “H” suffix are designated Honors-level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements. For more information visit www.csn.edu/honors.
• In no case, may one course be used to meet more than one requirement except for the Values and Diversity general education requirement (only AA, AS, and AB degrees) which may be used to fulfill the corresponding general education or emphasis requirement.
• Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.