

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)

The Associate of Arts Degree with an English Emphasis helps students develop and apply critical thinking, analytical writing, and communication skills. Students who complete these degree requirements will be prepared to transfer to a four-year institution.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - Graduates of this program will have the opportunity to:

- Demonstrate critical thinking, reading, and writing skills in the analysis of a variety of academic texts by authors of diverse cultural backgrounds.
- Identify purpose and audience within the rhetorical context.
- Use the steps of the writing process (using invention strategies, organizing, writing, and revising) to produce coherent, well-developed essays with clear thesis statements topic sentences and effective transitional expressions.
- Apply the conventions of standard English (grammar, mechanics, and usage) in written assignments.
- Develop research, synthesis, and documentation skills to prepare papers with MLA-style citations.
- Incorporate computer technology (type, spell check, cut/paste, save, print, etc.) into the writing process and apply the skills of revision, editing, and proofreading in written assignments.

Courses with “H” suffixes are designated Honors level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (41 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
ENGLISH: ENG 100 or 101 or 113 and 102 or 114	6-8	_____
LITERATURE: ENG 223 or above	3	_____
ANALYTICAL THINKING: PHIL 102	3	_____
MATHEMATICS: MATH 120, 124 or above	3	_____
FINE ARTS: ART, DAN 101, Music, THTR	3	_____
COMMUNICATIONS COM 101	3	_____
LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES: (Two courses from the following, one must include a lab): AST, BIOL, CHEM 105 or above, ENV, GEOG 103, 104, 117, GEOL, PHYS	7	_____
SOCIAL SCIENCES: (Nine credits must be from three different disciplines) ANTH, CRJ 104, ECON, PSC, PSY, SOC, WMST 113	9	_____
U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS: PSC 101 or HIST 101 and HIST 102 or HIST 101 and HIST 217	4-6	_____

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (20 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
International Languages 111 or above (courses must be in a single language)	8	_____
ENG 231 or above	3	_____
ENG 298 Writing About Literature	3	_____
Plus 6 credits from the following:		
ENG 235 Survey of English Literature I	3	_____
ENG 236 Survey of English Literature II	3	_____
ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I	3	_____
ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II	3	_____

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Total Credits

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.