

# ASSOCIATE in GENERAL STUDIES (AGS) DEGREE

## Official MCCCDC Advisement Check Sheet 2011-2012 CATALOG YEAR

STUDENTS ARE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROPER DEGREE AND COURSE SELECTION AND PROGRAM AND GRADE POINT AVERAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR THEIR MAJOR AND STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO SEEK ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT. THE COLLEGE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR NEITHER COURSE NOR DEGREE SELECTION. THE AGS DEGREE IS RECOMMENDED FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE EDUCATIONAL GOALS THAT REQUIRE FLEXIBILITY. THIS DEGREE MAY BE LESS APPROPRIATE FOR STUDENTS WHO INTEND TO TRANSFER TO A BACCALAUREATE-GRANTING INSTITUTION.

### MINIMUM 60 CREDITS

NAME	ADVISOR / COLLEGE	UNIVERSITY MAJOR / CATALOG YEAR
ID	DATE	CODE: 2000

I. GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (13-16 credits) Courses must be grade of "C" or better	CREDITS	GRADE	SEMESTER
<b>FIRST-YEAR COMPOSITION</b> (6 CREDITS)			
ENG 101 OR 107	3		
ENG 102 OR 108	3		
<b>ORAL COMMUNICATION</b> (3 CREDITS)			
COM 100, 100AA-AC, 110, 110AA-AC, 225, OR 230	3		
<b>CRITICAL READING</b> (0-3 CREDITS) (OR EQUIVALENT AS INDICATED BY ASSESSMENT)			
CRE 101 OR TEST EXEMPT	0-3		
<b>MATHEMATICS</b> (3 CREDITS) (SEE ADVISOR FOR APPROPRIATE COURSE FOR MAJOR)			
MAT 102 OR HIGHER	3		
<b>COMPUTER USAGE</b> (1 CREDIT)			
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### II. GENERAL STUDIES DISTRIBUTION (22-29 CREDITS)

<b>HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS</b> (9 CREDITS) STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CHOOSE COURSES FROM MORE THAN ONE DISCIPLINE.									
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<b>SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES</b> (9 CREDITS) STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CHOOSE COURSES FROM MORE THAN ONE DISCIPLINE.									
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<b>NATURAL SCIENCES</b> (7-8 CREDITS) TWO LECTURE COURSES AND ONE CORRESPONDING LAB ARE REQUIRED.									
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<b>LITERACY AND CRITICAL INQUIRY</b> (3 CREDITS)									
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### III. ELECTIVE COURSES (MINIMUM 15 CREDITS)

May select courses from prefixes already chosen for General Studies Distribution requirements in order to develop depth in one or more subject areas.									
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A COURSE CANNOT SATISFY MORE THAN ONE DISTRIBUTION OR CORE AREA, EVEN IF IT IS APPROVED FOR MORE THAN ONE AREA.

NOTE: COMPLETION OF THIS AGS DEGREE AND A MINIMUM 2.0 ON A 4.0 = A SCALE FOR ARIZONA RESIDENTS AND 2.5 ON A 4.0 = A SCALE FOR NON-RESIDENTS EXEMPTS STUDENT FROM ARIZONA UNIVERSITY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS.

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## Description

The Maricopa County Community College District Associate in General Studies (AGS) degree is recommended for students whose educational goals require flexibility. The AGS allows students to choose any elective courses numbered 100 or above to complete the degree. Therefore, this degree may be less appropriate for students who intend to transfer to a baccalaureate-granting institution.

Students who demonstrate skills comparable to those in Critical Reading and/or Mathematics and/or Computer Usage may substitute acceptable elective courses to satisfy the total credits required for the degree.

## Academic Policies That Govern the Associate in General Studies Degree:

- requires a minimum of 60 semester credits in courses numbered 100 and above.
- AGS degree requirements follow with the use of a diagonal character (/) between course numbers to signify options. An asterisk (\*) following the course number defines requirements with an effective begin term of spring;
- requires grades as listed for specific areas such as the General Education Core where a minimum grade of “C” is required. Courses applied to other areas may be completed with a minimum grade of “D”;
- uses the following policies for course(s ) satisfying multiple program areas;
  1. A course can simultaneously satisfy one Core area and one Distribution area. Courses that meet this criterion are bold print and underscored in the Core areas and Distribution areas.
  2. A course cannot satisfy more than one Core area, even if it is approved for more than one Core area.
  3. A course cannot satisfy more than one Distribution area, even if it is approved for more than one Distribution area.
- follows the graduation policies within the general catalog;
- includes both courses and their modular equivalents; either the course or the modular equivalents will satisfy the Associate in General Studies;
- accepts one of the courses that is cross-referenced with other courses.

## **Degree Requirements**

### **GENERAL EDUCATION CORE**

(16 credits - grade of "C" or better)

NOTE - **Bolded/underlined courses may be shared.**

### **First-Year Composition (6 credits)**

ENG English [101/107] & [102/108]

### **Oral Communication (3 credits)**

COM Communication **100/100AA & 100AB & 100AC/110/110AA & 110AB & 110AC/225/230**

### **Critical Reading (3 credits)**

CRE Critical Reading **101**/Equivalent as indicated by assessment

### **Mathematics (3 credits)**

MAT Mathematics 102/120/121/122/122AA/122AB/122AC/126/140/141/142/150/151/151AA/151AB/151AC/151AD/152/156/172/182/187/206/212/213/220/221/230/231/240/241/261/262/276/277 equivalent course  
Satisfactory completion of a higher level Mathematics course.

### **Computer Usage (1 credit)**

Computer-related course or demonstration of comparable computer skills. Additional courses may be approved by individual colleges. Students should contact their advisor for college-specific courses satisfying the requirement.

ACC Accounting 115

ADA Advertising Arts 169/170/170AA/170AB/173/173AA/173AB/173AC/175/175AA/175AB/177/177AA/177AB/any 180 modules/183/183AA/183AB/183AC/283/283AA/283AB/283AC/289/289AA/289AB/289AC

AGB Agribusiness 139

AJS Administration of Justice Studies **119**/205

AMS Automated Manufacturing System 150

ARC Architecture 243/244/245

ART Art 100/169/170/170AA/170AB/173/173AA/173AB/173AC/175/175AA/175AB/177/177AA/177AB/179/179AA/179AB/any 180 module/183/183AA/183AB/183AC/283/283AA/283AB/283AC/289/289AA/289AB/289AC

BIO Biology 294

BPC Business-Personal Computers Any BPC Course(s) (EXCEPT 217AM)

CFS Child/Family Studies 180

CIS Computer Information Systems Any CIS Course(s) (EXCEPT 162, 162AC, 169, 183AA, 217AM, 259, 262)

CSC Computer Science Any CSC Course(s) (EXCEPT 200, 200AA, 200AB, 210, 210AA, 210AB)

CTR Court Reporting 101/102

DFT Drafting Technology 103/105/any 105 module/150/251/any 251 module/any 254 module/256AA

ECH Early Childhood Education 238

EEE Electrical Engineering 120

### **Computer Usage (Continued)**

ELE Electronic 131/181/241/243/245/281

ELT Electronic Technology 131/241/243

ENG English 100AE

ENV Environmental Sciences 119 (EXCEPT 219)

FON Food & Nutrition 100/100AA/100AC/100AD

GBS General Business 221

GPH Physical Geography 220

HRM Hotel Restaurant Management 126

JAS Justice & Government Agencies Admin 225

JRN Journalism 133

LAS Paralegal Studies 229

MAT Mathematics 206

MET Manufacturing Technology 264

MTC Music Theory/Composition 180/191

NET Networking Technology 181/181AA

OAS Office Automation Systems 111AA/111AB/113/119/130DK/135DK/235DK

PSY Psychology 230

RTR Realtime Reporting 101/102

SBS Small Business 211

SMT Semiconductor Manufacturing Technology 150

SWU Social Work 225

TVL Travel Agent Technology 203

VPT Video Production Technology 106

## **GENERAL EDUCATION DISTRIBUTION AREAS (28-29 credits)**

### **Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)**

Students are encouraged to choose courses from more than one discipline.

AIS American Indian Studies 213

AJS Administration of Justice Studies 123

ARH Art Humanities Any ARH Course(s)

ASB Anthropology 211/220/222/223/253

CCS Chicana and Chicano Studies 101

CNS Construction 101

COM Communication 241

DAH Dance Humanities 100/201/250

EDU Education 291/292/294

ENG English 200/213/218

ENH English Humanities Any ENH Course(s) (EXCEPT 114, 250)

FRE French 265

HCR Health Care Related 210

HIS History 101/102/103/108/109/111/113/114/243/253/254/275

HUM Humanities Any HUM course(s) (EXCEPT 108, 120, 203, 207)

INT Interior Design 115/120/225

LAT Latin 201/202

MHL Music: History/Literature 140/143/145/146/153/155/242

PHI Philosophy Any PHI Course(s) (EXCEPT 113)

REL Religious Studies Any REL Course(s) (EXCEPT 271, 213)

SLC Studies in Language & Culture 201

SPA Spanish 241/242/265/266

SPH Spanish Humanities 245

STO Storytelling 292/294

THE Theater 111/205/206/210

THP Theater/Performance/Production 241

WST Women's Studies 209/284/285/290

**Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)**

Students are encouraged to choose courses from more than one discipline.

- AFR African American Studies 202/203/204  
 AIS American Indian Studies 101/140/141/160  
 AJS Administration of Justice Studies 101/162/200/225/258/259/270  
 ASB Anthropology 102/202/211/214//222/223/230/235/238/245/252  
 ASM Anthropology 104/275  
 CFS Child/Family Studies 157/159/176/205/235/259  
 COM Communication 100/100AA&100AB&100AC/110/110AA&110AB&110AC/163/230/250/263  
 ECH Early Childhood Education 176  
 ECN Economics Any ECN Course(s)  
 EDU Education 221/222  
 EED Early Education 200/205/222  
 ENG English 213  
 EMT Emergency Medical Technology 258  
 FOR Forensic Science 275  
 FSC Fire Science Technology 258  
 FUS Future Studies 101  
 GCU Cultural Geography 102/121/122/141/223  
 HES Health Science 100  
 HIS History any HIS Course(s) (EXCEPT 111, 135, 170, 204)  
 IBS International Business 109  
 MCO Mass Communications 120  
 POS Political Science Any POS course(s)  
 PSY Psychology 101/123/132/156/157/215/218/225/235/ 240/241/243/245/250/258/260/266/270/277/280/292  
 REC Recreation 120  
 SBU Society and Business 200  
 SLC Studies in Language & Culture 201  
 SOC Sociology Any SOC course(s) (EXCEPT 242, 253, 265, 270)  
 SWU Social Work 102/171/258/292  
 WED Wellness Education 110  
 WST Women's Studies 100/161  
 YAQ Yaqui Indian History and Culture 100

**Natural Sciences (7-8 credits)**

Two lecture courses and one corresponding laboratory course are to be selected. The lecture and corresponding laboratory course(s) may carry separate credit. For appropriate course selection students should consult with an advisor.

- AGS Agricultural Science 164/260  
 ASB Anthropology 231  
 ASM Anthropology 104  
 AST Astronomy 101/102/111/112/113/114  
 BIO Biology 100/101/102/105/107/108/109/145/149AF/149AH/149AK/149AL/149AM/149AN/156/160/181/182/201/202/205/241/245  
 CHM Chemistry 107/107LL/130/130LL/150/151/151LL/152/152LL/154/154LL/230/230LL  
 ENV Environmental Sciences 101  
 FON Food and Nutrition (241 & 241LL)  
 FOR Forensic Science 105/106  
 GLG Geology Any GLG course(s)

**Natural Sciences (Continued)**

- GPH Physical Geography 111/112/113/210/211/212/214/213/215  
 PHS Physical Science 110/120  
 PHY Physics 101/101AA/111AA/ 111/112/115/116/121/131  
 PSY Psychology 275/290AB/290AC

**Literacy and Critical Inquiry (3 credits)**

- AIS American Indian Studies 213  
 BIO Biology 294  
 COM Communication 222/225/241  
 CRE Critical Reading 101  
 ENG English 111/200/215/216/217/218  
 ENH English Humanities 254/255  
 FON Food & Nutrition 206  
 GBS General Business 233  
 GPH Physical Geography 211  
 HUM Humanities 250/251  
 IFS Information Studies 101  
 JRN Journalism 201/234  
 MCO Mass Communications 220  
 PHI Philosophy 103/106  
 POS Political Science 115  
 PSY Psychology 290AB/290AC  
 REL Religious Studies 203/205  
 THE Theater 220  
 THP Theater Performance/Production 241

**Elective Courses (15-16 credits)**

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