

ASSOCIATE IN GENERAL STUDIES (AGS) DEGREE

Official MCCCDC Advisement Check Sheet

2014-2015 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
FIRST-YEAR COMPOSITION (6 CREDITS)			
ENG 101 OR 107	3		
ENG 102 OR 108	3		
ORAL COMMUNICATION (3 CREDITS)			
COM 100, 100AA-AC, 110, 110AA-AC, 225, OR 230	3		
CRITICAL READING (0-3 CREDITS) (OR EQUIVALENT AS INDICATED BY ASSESSMENT)			
CRE 101 OR TEST EXEMPT	0-3		
MATHEMATICS (3 CREDITS) (SEE ADVISOR FOR APPROPRIATE COURSE FOR MAJOR)			
MAT 102 OR HIGHER	3		
COMPUTER USAGE (1 CREDIT)			
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II. GENERAL STUDIES DISTRIBUTION (28-29 CREDITS)											
HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS (9 CREDITS) STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CHOOSE COURSES FROM MORE THAN ONE DISCIPLINE.											
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SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (9 CREDITS) STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CHOOSE COURSES FROM MORE THAN ONE DISCIPLINE.											
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NATURAL SCIENCES (7-8 CREDITS) TWO LECTURE COURSES AND ONE CORRESPONDING LAB ARE REQUIRED.											
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LITERACY AND CRITICAL INQUIRY (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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**Maricopa Community Colleges (MCCCD)
2014-2015 Associate in General Studies (AGS) Degree**

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.

Policies Supporting Student Success

Students who will be attending college for the first time (including students who received MCCCD credits through Dual/Concurrent Enrollment, ACE, Hoop of Learning, or any MCCCD early outreach program) and intend to earn a degree or transfer to a college/university will be required to:

- meet with an academic advisor prior to the start of their first semester at a MCCCD college;
- attend New Student Orientation prior to the start of their first semester.

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Students who test into courses that are below college level (i.e., below 100-level) will be advised and placed into the courses within the first two semesters enrolled.

Students are required to complete a course placement test under any one of the following conditions:

- The student is taking his or her first college credit English, reading or math course, or any college course for which English, reading or math is a prerequisite.
- The student is pursuing a degree or transfer pathway and does not have current valid district approved course placement scores on file or does not have previous college credit in English, reading and math.
- A student who is taking his/her first English as a Second Language class and who does not speak English as his/her primary language must take an English proficiency test.

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Degree Requirements

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE

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

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
 AJS Administration of Justice Studies 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 283
 BPC Business-Personal Computers Any BPC Course(s)
 CFS Child/Family Studies 180
 CIS Computer Information Systems Any CIS Course(s) (except 159, 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 105AA/251/254AA/256AA
 ECH Early Childhood Education 238
 EEE Electrical Engineering 120
 ELE Electronic 131/181/241/243/245/281
 ELT Electronic Technology 131/241/243
 ENG English 100AE
 FON Food & Nutrition 100
 GBS General Business 221

Computer Usage Continued

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
 OAS Office Automation Systems 111AA/111AB/113/119/130DK
 PSY Psychology 230
 SBS Small Business 211
 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.

AHU Arabic Humanities 245
 AIS American Indian Studies 213
 AJS Administration of Justice Studies 123
 ARH Art Humanities Any ARH Course(s)
 ASB Anthropology 211/214/220/222/223/253
 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 250)
 FRE French 265
 HCR Health Care Related 210
 HIS History 101/102/103/108/111/113/114/203/212/251/252/275
 HUM Humanities Any HUM course(s) (except 120, 203, 207, 225)
 INT Interior Design 115/120/225
 LAT Latin 201/202
 MHL Music: History/Literature 140/143/145/146/153/155/194/241/242/295
 PHI Philosophy Any PHI Course(s)
 REL Religious Studies Any REL Course(s)
 SLC Studies in Language & Culture 201
 SPA Spanish 241/242/265/266
 SPH Spanish Humanities 245
 SSH Sustainability/Social Sciences and Humanities 111
 STO Storytelling 292/294
 THE Theater 111/205/206/210/220
 THP Theater/Performance/Production 241
 WST Women's Studies 209/284/285/290

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Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

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- AFR African American Studies 202
- AIS American Indian Studies 101/140/141/160
- AJS Administration of Justice Studies 101/119/200/
225/258/259/270
- ASB Anthropology 100/102/202/211/222/223/226/230/
235/252
- ASM Anthropology 104/275
- CFS Child/Family Studies 112/157/159/176/205/235/259
- 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
- EMT Emergency Medical Technology 258
- ENG English 213
- FOR Forensic Science 275
- FSC Fire Science Technology 258
- FUS Future Studies 101
- GCU Cultural Geography 102/121/122/141/221/227
- HES Health Science 100
- HIS History any HIS Course(s) (except 111, 170,
251, 252, 253, 254)
- IBS International Business 109
- MCO Mass Communications 120
- PAD Public Administration 200
- POS Political Science Any POS course(s)
- PSY Psychology 101/123/132/156/157/215/218/225/
235/240/241/243/250/260/266/277/280/292
- REC Recreation 120
- SBU Society and Business 200
- SLC Studies in Language & Culture 201
- SOC Sociology Any SOC course(s) (except 143, 157, 215, 245,
253, 265, 270)
- SSH Sustainability/Social Sciences and Humanities 111
- SWU Social Work 102/171/250/258/292
- 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
- ASB Anthropology 231
- ASM Anthropology 104/265
- AST Astronomy 101&102/106&107/111/112/113/114
- BIO Biology 100/101/102/105/107/108/109/111/145/
149AF/149AH/149AK/149AL/149AM/149AN/
156/160/181/182/201/202/205/241/245
- CHM Chemistry 107&107LL/130&130LL/130AA/150/
150AA/151/151AA/151LL/152AA/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&113/211/
212&214/213&215
- PHS Physical Science 110/120
- PHY Physics 101/101AA/111/111AA/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
- CPD Counseling and Personal Development 160
- CRE Critical Reading 101
- CUL Culinary Arts 223
- EDU Education 282AC
- ENG English 111/200/215/216/217/218
- ENH English Humanities 254/255
- EXS Exercise Science 290
- GBS General Business 233
- GPH Physical Geography 267
- HUM Humanities 225/250/251
- IFS Information Studies 101
- JRN Journalism 201/234
- MCO Mass Communications 220
- PHI Philosophy 103/106/218
- POS Political Science 115
- PSY Psychology 290AB/290AC
- REL Religious Studies 203/205/207/210
- THE Theater 220
- THP Theater Performance/Production 241

Elective Courses (15-16 credits)

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