

GENERAL STUDIES - ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)*

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Degree Plan

The course sequence listed below is strongly recommended in order to complete your program requirements. Please register for each semester as shown using the Student Planning tool in myCWI. Plans may be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters. Consult your advisor for any questions regarding this course sequence plan.

First Year			
Fall		Credit Hours	
CWI 101	Connecting With Ideas	3	
<u>GEM 1 - Written Communication course</u>		3	
<u>GEM 2 - Oral Communication course</u>		3	
<u>GEM 3 - Mathematical Ways of Knowing course</u>		3	
<u>GEM 6 - Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing course</u>		3	
Total Semester Credit Hours		15	
Spring			
<u>GEM 1 - Written Communication course</u>		3	
<u>GEM 4 - Scientific Ways of Knowing course</u> ¹		4	
<u>GEM 5 - Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing course</u>		3	
<u>Global Perspectives course</u>		3	
Elective	Select an elective course ^{2,3}	3	
Total Semester Credit Hours		16	
Second Year			
Fall			
<u>GEM 4 - Scientific Ways of Knowing course</u> ⁴		3	
<u>GEM 5 - Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing course</u> ⁴		3	
<u>GEM 6 - Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing course</u> ⁴		3	
Research and Writing course	Select one course from the list below ³	3	
Elective	Select any 200-level elective course ²	3	
Total Semester Credit Hours		15	
Spring			
CWI 290	General Studies Capstone ⁵	1	
Elective	Select any 200-level elective course ²	3	
Elective	Select elective credits to bring the total credits earned to a minimum of 60 ²	10	
Total Semester Credit Hours		14	
Minimum Credit Hours Required		60	

Students must select an "E" designated (Ethical Reasoning) course to fulfill one of their General Education requirements.

¹ Must include a lab component.

² Select electives based on interest, career goals, transfer institution requirements, and background.

³ General Studies majors are encouraged to select their Research and Writing course early because some of these courses have prerequisites. The needed prerequisites may be taken as GEM courses or as electives. Consult individual course descriptions for a listing of prerequisites to the Research and Writing courses.

⁴ Course must come from a different discipline.

⁵ In order to register for CWI 290, students must have completed or be currently enrolled in their chosen Research and Writing course (3 credits required). Additionally, it is strongly recommended that students register for this course during their final semester at CWI.

General Studies Research and Writing Courses

The following list notes the courses that will fulfill the Research and Writing requirement for an Associate of Arts in General Studies from CWI. Students should choose at least **3 credits** of coursework from the following:

Course	Course Title	Min Credits
ANTH 220	Indigenous Peoples of North America	3
COMM 273	Media News Writing and Reporting	3
CRIJ 190	Writing for Criminal Justice	3
ENGL 201	Persuasive Writing	3
ENGL 202	Technical Communication	3
ENGL 211	Literary Analysis	3
EXHS 201	Cultural, Historical, and Philosophical Foundations of Physical Activity	3
HIST 190	Introduction to the Study of History	3
HIST 210	History Through Biography	3
HIST 220	Great Ideas in History	3
HIST 230	Themes in U.S. History	3
HIST 239	United States Military History	3
HIST 240	Themes in Western History	3
HUMA 207	Exploring the Arts and Cultures of the World	3
PHIL 211	Philosophical Writing	3
PHIL 230	Political Philosophy	3
POLS 230	Political Philosophy	3
POLS 240	American Constitutional Foundations	3
PSYC 190	Writing for the Social Sciences	3
PSYC 201	Child and Adolescent Development	3
SOC 230	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
SOC 270	Social Movements	3
SOC 280	Sociological Research	3