

GENERAL STUDIES (A.A.)

The Associate in Arts in General Studies is designed to provide students a strong foundation of courses reflecting a general education foundation with the ability to explore their professional interests in preparation to transition in to a Baccalaureate program of their choice at Granite State College.

Students will have the opportunity to:

1. Organize, draft, edit, and revise writing, in order to communicate effectively.
2. Engage in verbal and/or online interactions with others and use communication skills to influence others.
3. Apply quantitative reasoning to real-world problems.
4. Think critically to analyze information and craft informed arguments.
5. Articulate the key concepts, methodologies, and applications of a concentrated area of academic and/or professional interest.
6. Use key elements of career exploration to develop an integrated career and academic plan.
7. Practice ways of thinking in and across areas of knowledge.

Degree Requirements

Minimum Credit Requirement: 60 credits

Minimum Residency Requirement: 16 credits must be taken at Granite State College

A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

Requirements	Credit Hours
General Education Requirements (p. 1)	32
Major Requirements (p. 1)	22
Open Electives (p. 1)	6
Total	60

General Education Requirements

A minimum grade of C is required in all General Education coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of one course overlap between the Major and General Education areas.

Code	Title	Credits
ENG 500	The Writing Process	4
COMM 542	Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics	4
COMM 543	Visual Communication	4
CRIT 501	Introduction to Critical Inquiry	4
Select one of the following:		4
MATH 502	Math for Our World	
MATH 504	Statistics	
MATH 510	Pre-Calculus	
Knowledge of Human Behavior & Social Systems (https://catalog.granite.edu/undergraduate/degrees-programs-study/general-education-requirements/#human-behavior)		4

Knowledge of the Physical & Natural World (https://catalog.granite.edu/undergraduate/degrees-programs-study/general-education-requirements/#physical-natural-world)	4
Knowledge of Human Thought & Expression (https://catalog.granite.edu/undergraduate/degrees-programs-study/general-education-requirements/#human-thought)	4
Total Credits	32

Major Requirements

A minimum grade of C is required in all Major and Concentration coursework.

Code	Title	Credits
Major in General Studies		
IDIS 502	College Success Seminar	2
General Studies Concentration		20
Total Credits		22

Electives

Open electives are courses students will need to take in addition to their general education and major requirements in order to satisfy the remaining credit totals for their programs. Open electives are defined as any credit course offered by the College not already included in the student's general education, major, concentration or minor. Students will need 60 credits total to graduate with an associate degree.