

LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES AA

Purpose: The Liberal Arts AA Program allows students to achieve the following outcomes: • Demonstrate personal accountability for wellness and educational planning. • Utilize fundamental concepts of critical thinking to solve problems. • Demonstrate competences in all forms of communication. • Synthesize knowledge of attitudes, behaviors, languages, and skills from diverse perspectives. • Recognize how aesthetics and the arts contribute to the human experience.

Award

Associate of Arts A.A. Degree 60 credits total
 Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) 40 credits
 Electives, Liberal Arts and Pre-Major 20 credits

***This program is available fully on-line.**

RECOMMENDED FULL-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE			
Not all courses are scheduled every semester. See course schedule: https://eservices.minnstate.edu/registration/search/basic.html?campusid=306 .			
Semester 1 FYEX1000 College Success Strategies ENGL1117 Reading and Writing Critically I MnTC Goal 5 ¹ Elective (Area 1) MnTC Goal 6 ¹ Elective (Area 1) Health & Physical Education Elective COMM1114 Fundamentals of Public Speaking OR COMM1130 Interpersonal Communication Total Credits	1 cr 4 cr 3 cr 3 cr 1 cr 3 cr or 3 cr 15	Semester 2 ENGL1118 Reading and Writing Critically II MnTC Goal 4 Elective MnTC Goal 5 ¹ Elective (Area 2) MnTC Goal 6 ¹ Elective (Area 2) MnTC Goal 7 ² Elective Total Credits	4 cr 3-4 cr 3 cr 3 cr 3 cr 15-16
Semester 3 MnTC Goal 3 ¹ Elective (Area 1) MnTC Goal 6 ¹ Elective (Area 3) MnTC Goal 8 ² Elective MnTC Goal 10 ² Elective Elective 1000 Level Course from any Discipline Health & Physical Education Elective Total Credits	3-4 cr 3 cr 3 cr 3 cr 3 cr 1 cr 16-17	Semester 4 MnTC Goal 3 Elective (Area 2) MnTC Goal 5 ¹ Elective (Area 3) MnTC Goal 9 ² Elective Health & Physical Education Elective Electives Total Credits	4 cr 3 cr 3 cr 1 cr 2-3 cr 12-14

RECOMMENDED PART-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE			
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Semester 1 FYEX1000 College Success Strategies (Goal 2) ENGL1117 Reading and Writing Critically I (Goal 1a) MnTC Goal 5 ¹ Elective (Area 1) Health & Physical Education Elective Total Credits	1 cr 4 cr 3 cr 1 cr 9	Semester 2 ENGL1118 Reading & Writing Critically II (Goal 1b) MnTC Goal 3a ¹ Elective (Area 1) MnTC Goal 6a ¹ Elective (Area 1) Total Credits	4 cr 3-4 cr 3 cr 10-11
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Semester 3 COMM1114 Fundamentals of Public Speaking OR COMM1130 Interpersonal Communication (Goal 11c) MnTC Goal 3b ¹ Elective (Area 2) MnTC Goal 6b ¹ Elective (Area 2) Health & Physical Education Elective Total Credits	3 cr or 3 cr 3-4 cr 3 cr 1 cr 10-11	Semester 4 MnTC Goal 5 ¹ Elective (Area 2) MnTC Goal 6a ¹ OR 6b Elective (Area 3) MnTC Goal 7 ² Elective Total Credits	3 cr 3 cr or 3 cr 3 cr 9
Semester 5 MnTC Goal 4 Elective MnTC Goal 5 ¹ Elective (Area 3) Electives ³ Total Credits	3 cr 3 cr 2-3 8-9	Semester 6 MnTC Goal 8 ² Elective MnTC Goal 9 ² Elective MnTC Goal 10 ² Elective Total Credits	3 cr 3 cr 3 cr 9
Semester 7 Electives Health & Physical Education Elective Total Credits	3-4 cr 1 cr 4-5		

*Universities within the Minnesota State system include Bemidji State University; Metropolitan State University; Minnesota State University, Mankato; Minnesota State University Moorhead; Southwest Minnesota State University; St. Cloud State University; and Winona State University.

Course descriptions can be found at: <https://www.rctc.edu/academics/courses/course-descriptions>.