

GENERAL STUDIES A.A. (TRANSFER)

Program website (<https://www.frederick.edu/programs/general-studies/general-studies.aspx>)

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Program Description

Designed for students who are exploring academic and career options that are not represented by another Frederick Community College program or who are undecided about their educational goals. Students who have a specific career or educational goal should consult with an academic advisor to select a degree program other than General Studies.

Program Requirements

- Students must complete their credit **English and Mathematics** within the first 24 credits.
- One course must meet the cultural competence graduation requirement (<https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#cultural>).
- CORE: The General Education CORE** is that foundation of the higher education curriculum providing a coherent intellectual experience for all students. Students should check with an advisor or the transfer institution (ARTSYS) before selecting General Education CORE requirements. <http://artsys.usmd.edu/>
- In some General Education categories (Mathematics, Biological & Physical Sciences), a 4-credit course selected from the GenEd course list will satisfy the requirement in place of a 3-credit course. Students should check with an advisor before selecting these courses.
- For the Physical Education, Health, or Nutrition requirement, a 3-credit PHED, HLTH, or NUTR course may satisfy the requirement in place of a 1-credit course. Students should check with an advisor before selecting this course.
- Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 101 English Composition.
- Students must complete a minimum of nine credits at the 200-level.

Code	Title	Credits
English		
ENGL 101	English Composition	3
Mathematics		
Mathematics Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#mathematics)		3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		

Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#social-behavioral) - select two courses from different disciplines	6
Arts & Humanities	
Arts Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#arts)	3
Humanities Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#humanities)	3
Communication Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#communication)	3
Biological & Physical Sciences	
Biological & Physical Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#biological-physical)	3
Biological & Physical Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#biological-physical) (Lab course)	4
General Education Required Elective	
ACCE 112 Academic Engagement Seminar or HONR 101 Honors Academic Engagement Seminar	3
Physical Education, Health, or Nutrition Requirement	
Select one PHED, HLTH, or NUTR course	1
Other Requirements	
Open Electives ¹	28
Total Credits	60

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Students should check with an advisor or the transfer institution (ARTSYS) before selecting their electives.

Transfer Note

For more information on careers and transfer, contact the Career and Academic Planning Services office at 301.846.2471 or visit Transfer Services (<https://www.frederick.edu/student-resources/counseling-advising/transfer-services.aspx>).

Guided Pathway to Success (GPS)

Suggested schedules map your path to degree completion.

Students should meet with an advisor each semester to carefully select and sequence courses based on their specific academic goals and interests. Visit Jefferson Hall or call 301.846.2471 for advising.

Recommended First Semester		Credits
ACCE 112 Academic Engagement Seminar (Milestone) or HONR 101 or Honors Academic Engagement Seminar		3
ENGL 101 English Composition ¹		3
Mathematics Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#mathematics)		3-4
Communication Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#communication)		3
Elective ²		3
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Credits		15-16
Recommended Second Semester		
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#social-behavioral)		3
Humanities Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#humanities)		3
Biological & Physical Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#biological-physical) (Lab course)		4
Elective ²		3
Elective ²		3

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Credits	16
Recommended Third Semester	
Arts Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#arts)	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#social-behavioral) (in a different discipline from first)	3
Biological & Physical Sciences Elective (Gen Ed course list) (https://frederick-public.courseleaf.com/general-education-core/#biological-physical)	3-4
Elective ²	3
Elective ²	3
Credits	15-16
Recommended Fourth Semester	
Elective ²	3
Elective ²	3
Physical Education, Health, or Nutrition Requirement	1,3
Elective ²	3
Elective (credits may vary to fulfill 60 credits for degree) ²	4
Credits	14-16
Total Credits	60-64

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Take this course within the first 24 credits.

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Part-time Students

Part-time students should complete courses in the order listed on the pathway. Please contact program manager for questions about part-time status.

Students who take fewer than 15 credits each semester or who require developmental English or Math coursework will need additional semesters to complete their degrees. Summer term and January session classes may help students to make faster progress.

Pathway Legend

Milestone - courses with the Milestone notation should be taken within the recommend credit range to stay on track for program completion.

Fall, Spring, Summer - courses with a Fall, Spring, or Summer notation indicate the course is offered in the specified semester only.