

# Associate in Arts (AA) Degree

## Including the Minnesota General Education Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) 2009-2010

The Associate in Arts degree (AA) is intended primarily for students who plan to transfer to another college to complete a bachelor's degree. It can generally be considered the first two years of a four-year degree program. The AA degree is a general liberal arts degree and no specific major is listed in conjunction with the degree. However, many students choose to concentrate in a particular field of study as preparation for a planned major at a four-year college or university. At least 40 of the 64 credits must be taken within the Minnesota General Education Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) outlined in the following pages. Any student who anticipates transferring to a four-year school should plan an appropriate program (both general education and major requirements) with one of the counselors prior to, and during, enrollment at Century College.

An agreement with the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) provides that Century College's Associate in Arts Degree or MnTC will satisfy all of the lower-division general education requirements of any of the state universities.

Individual MnTC courses will transfer into the same goal at any MnSCU college or university. If the entire goal is completed at one MnSCU institution, that goal will be considered complete at any other MnSCU institution. Documentation of the goal completion, as in a DARS (Degree Audit Reporting System) report from the sending college, is required.

An agreement with the University of Minnesota provides that an Associate in Arts Degree or MnTC will satisfy the Liberal Education requirements.

Century also has agreements with private and out-of-state schools including Augsburg College, College of St. Scholastica, Concordia University-St. Paul, University of Wisconsin-River Falls, University of Wisconsin-Stout, University of North Dakota, and North Dakota State University that facilitate transfer of the AA degree and MnTC. These agreements do not guarantee the transfer of every course.

**See page 4 for more Counselor Notes and Information.**

### General Requirements for AA degree:

- At least 64 earned college-level credits (numbered 1000 or above). At least 20 credits must be earned at Century College.
- A grade of C or better in Engl 1021.
- Century college-level GPA of 2.0; MnTC GPA of 2.0.

Total credits required for an AA degree	64
Minnesota General Education Transfer Curriculum Electives, MnTC, 2 <sup>nd</sup> language, and/or pre-major Physical Education/Health	40 22 2

### Minnesota General Education Transfer Curriculum

#### Requirements: 40 credits

Courses marked with an asterisk\* in goals 1-6 will also fulfill requirements in goals 7-10, goal number listed in parenthesis () after course title.

**GOAL ONE: COMMUNICATION** Minimum of 10 credits including English 1021, Engl 1022 and at least one 3-credit Communication course from COMM 1021, 1031, 1041 or 1051.

#### English

- 1021-Composition I (grade of C or better required)
- 1022-Composition II

**Communication** Choose **ONE** from the following:

- \*1021-Fundamentals of Public Speaking (9)
- \*1031-Interpersonal Communication (7)
- \*1041-Small Group Communication (9)
- \*1051-Intercultural Communication (8)

#### Communication Electives

- \*1053-Communication, Travel, and Tourism (8)
- \*2011-Interviewing (9)
- \*2033-Nonverbal Communication (7)
- \*2071-Communication and Gender (7)

**GOAL TWO: CRITICAL THINKING** Fulfilled automatically when all other MnTC goals are complete.

**GOAL THREE: NATURAL SCIENCES** Minimum of 7 credits.

Two courses from two different disciplines (categories), with at least one lab course (+ indicates lab)

#### Anthropology

- \*1022-Introduction to Physical Anthropology: Human Origins (10)  
(Goal 3-Effective Fall 08)

#### Biology

- 1020-Biology Concepts+
- 1021-Biology of Women
- 1023-Introduction to Forensic Biology+
- 1024-Human Biology
- \*1025-Field Biology+ (10-Effective Fall 08)
- \*1026-Plants and Society+ (10-Effective Fall 08)
- \*1028-Ecology+ (10)
- 1029-Microbes and Society: An Introduction to Microbiology+
- 1041-Principles of Biology I+
- 1042-Principles of Biology II+
- 2031-Human Anatomy & Physiology I + (Formerly 1031)
- 2032-Human Anatomy & Physiology II + (Formerly 1032)
- 2035-Microbiology+ (Formerly 1035)

#### Chemistry

- 1020-Chemistry Concepts+
- 1041-Principles of Chemistry I+
- 1042-Principles of Chemistry II+

#### Earth Science

- \*1020-Earth Science+ (10)
- \*1025-Interdisciplinary Physical & Environmental Science (10)
- \*1030-Physical Geology+ (10)
- \*1040-Energy Concepts (10)
- \*1045-Energy Concepts Lab+ (10)
- \*1050-Introduction to Meteorology (10)
- \*1055-Meteorology Lab+ (10)
- \*1060-Introduction to Oceanography (10)
- \*1080-Natural Disasters (10)

**Geography**

\*1021-Physical Geography (10) (Goal 3-Effective Fall 08; formerly Goal 5)

**Physics**

1020-Physics Concepts+ (Formerly 1021)  
 1041-General Physics I+  
 1042-General Physics II+  
 1070-Descriptive Astronomy  
 1075-Descriptive Astronomy Lab+  
 1081-Introductory Physics I+  
 1082-Introductory Physics II+

**GOAL FOUR: MATHEMATICAL/LOGICAL REASONING**

Minimum of 3 credits. Courses must be numbered between Math 1020 and 1082 or Phil 1041.

**Mathematics**

1025-Statistics  
 1030-Mathematics for the Liberal Arts  
 1050-Finite Mathematics  
 1061-College Algebra I  
 1062-College Algebra II with Trigonometry  
 1070-Survey of Calculus  
 1081-Single-Variable Calculus I  
 1082-Single-Variable Calculus II

**Philosophy**

1041-Introduction to Logic

**GOAL FIVE: HISTORY AND THE SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL**

**SCIENCES** Minimum of 9 credits. Three courses from three different disciplines (categories)

**Anthropology**

\*1023-Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (8-Effective Fall 08; formerly Goal 7)  
 \*1025-Introduction to Archeology (7)  
 \*2031-Sex and Gender (8)  
 \*2061-Anthropology of Human Nature (10)

**Communication**

\*1061-Introduction to Mass Communication (9)  
 \*2051-Minnesota's New Immigrants: Communication, Culture and Conflict (7)

**Economics**

1021-Macroeconomics  
 1023-Microeconomics

**Geography**

\*1023-Human Geography (8)  
 \*1031-World Regional Geography (8)  
 \*1041-Minnesota Geography (7)

**Global Studies**

\*2010-Introduction to Global Studies (8)

**History**

\*1021-Western Civilization: from Antiquity to the 18<sup>th</sup> Century (8)  
 \*1022-Western Civilization: from the 18<sup>th</sup> Century to the Present (8)  
 \*1031-United States to 1877 (7)  
 \*1032-United States Since 1877 (7)  
 \*1035-Minnesota History (9)  
 \*1051-East Asia Since 1600 (8)  
 \*1061-World History 1400 to Present (8)  
 \*2041-American Myth (9)  
 \*2043-The United States Since 1945 (9)  
 \*2045-The American West: An Environmental History (10)  
 \*2051-20<sup>th</sup> Century Global Conflicts and Crises (9)  
 \*2053-Southeast Asia and the Vietnam War (8)  
 \*2061-U.S. Women's History (7)  
 \*2063-Women, Health and Medicine (7)

**Linguistics**

2030-Introduction to Socio-Linguistics

**Political Science**

\*1020-Introduction to Political Science (9)

\*1023-International Relations (8)

\*1031-American Government (9)

\*1033-State and Local Government (9)

\*1035-Constitutional Law (9)

**Psychology**

1020-General Psychology  
 1030-Psychology of Adjustment  
 1041-Developmental Psychology  
 \*2021-Abnormal Psychology (7)  
 \*2043-Child Development (9-Effective Fall 08)  
 \*2044-Adolescent Development (9-Effective Fall 08)  
 \*2045-Adulthood, Aging and Death (9-Effective Fall 08)

**Sociology**

\*1020-Introduction to Sociology (7-Effective Spr 05)  
 \*1033-Sociology of Families in Crisis (7)  
 \*1041-Sociology of Social Problems (9)  
 \*1080-Introduction to the Criminal Justice System (9)  
 \*2031-Sociology of the Family (7)  
 \*2051-Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (7)  
 \*2053-Sociology of Disability (7)  
 \*2061-Sociology of Gender and Work (7)  
 \*2071-Social Psychology (7- Effective Fall 06)  
 \*2087-Criminology and Criminal Behavior (8) (Goals 5 & 8 Effective Fall 08)

**Women and Gender Studies**

\*1061-Foundations of Women's Studies (9)  
 \*1071-Introduction to GLBT Studies (7)  
 \*2061-Women in Global Perspective (8)

**GOAL SIX: HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS** Minimum of 9 credits. Three courses, at least one of which must be a literature course, from three different disciplines (categories)

**Art**

\*1020-Art Appreciation (8-Effective Fall 08)

**Art History**

\*1031-History of Western World Art I (8)  
 \*1032-History of Western World Art II (8)  
 \*1041-American Art (7)

**Art Studio**

1020-2D Design  
 1025-3D Design  
 1031-Photography I  
 1033-Photography II (Goal 6 Effective Spr 07)  
 1041-Drawing I  
 1051-Painting I  
 1055-Watercolor  
 1071-Ceramics I

**English (Literature)**

2011-American Literature: Colonial to Civil War  
 \*2012-American Literature: Civil War to Present (7)  
 \*2013-African American Literature (7)  
 2014-Minnesota Writers  
 \*2015-American Indian Literature (7)  
 \*2018-Introduction to Folklore (7)  
 \*2031-British Literature: Medieval to Romantic (8)  
 \*2032-British Literature: Romantic to Present (8)  
 \*2035-Shakespeare (8-Effective Fall 07)  
 2043-Literature and Film  
 \*2051-Modern World Literature (8)  
 \*2052-Contemporary World Literature (8)  
 \*2055-Mythology (8-Effective Fall 07)  
 \*2057-An Introduction to African Literature (8)  
 \*2058-Middle Eastern Literature (8)  
 \*2061-Women in Literature: British and Colonial (8)  
 \*2062-Women in Literature: American (9)  
 \*2063-Women in Literature: World Voices (8)  
 2071-Children's Literature  
 2072-Graphic Narratives: Comics as Literature

2073-Short Novel

2075-Science Fiction and Fantasy

2077-Mystery

\*2083-Latin American Literature (8)

2085-Bible as Literature

\*2095-Ethics and Environments: The Literature of Place (10)

**English (Non-literature, Goal 6 elective)**

2023-Creative Writing: Poetry and Fiction

**Humanities**

\*1021-Intro. to the Humanities: Europe & the United States (8)

\*1025-Intro. to the Humanities: A World View (8)

\*1030-Culture and Civilization of Spanish Speaking Peoples (8)

\*1035-Culture and Civilization of French Speaking Peoples (8)

\*1040-Culture and Civilization of Chinese Speaking Peoples (8)

\*1041-The Art of Film (8-Effective Fall 08)

\*1043-International Film (8)

\*1045-American Film (7)

\*1051-African American Cultural Perspectives (7)

\*2061-Women in the Arts (7)

**Music**

1035-Enjoyment of Classical Music

\*1045-Popular Music in American Society (7)

\*2051-World Music (8)

**Philosophy**

1021-Introduction to Western Philosophy

\*1025-Introduction to Eastern Philosophy (8)

\*1031-Ethics (9)

\*1035-Biomedical Ethics (9)

\*1051-World Religions (8)

**Theatre**

1020-Introduction to Theatre

1031-Beginning Acting

1041-Theatre Production and Design

**Goals 7, 8, 9, 10 - Theme Goals:**

3 credits in each of four goals 7 – 10. **Note:** May be fulfilled by courses from Goals 1-6, since many of those courses (denoted with an asterisk) also meet Goals 7-10, OR can be fulfilled with additional courses listed separately under Goals 7-10; credits count only once; one course may fulfill a maximum of 2 goals.

**GOAL SEVEN: HUMAN DIVERSITY**

Minimum of 3 credits (from any of the following courses)

**Anthropology**

1025-Introduction to Archeology (5)

**Art History**

1041-American Art (6)

**Communication**

1031-Interpersonal Communication (1)

2033-Nonverbal Communication (1)

2051-Minnesota's New Immigrants: Communication, Culture and Conflict (5)

2071-Communication and Gender (1)

**English**

2012-American Literature: Civil War to Present (6)

2013-African American Literature (6)

2015-American Indian Literature (6)

2018-Introduction to Folklore (6)

**Geography**

1041-Minnesota Geography (5)

**History**

1031-United States to 1877 (5)

1032-United States Since 1877 (5)

2061-U.S. Women's History (5)

2063-Women, Health, and Medicine (5)

**Humanities**

1045-American Film (6)

1051-African American Cultural Perspective (6)

2061-Women in the Arts (6)

**Music**

1045-Popular Music in American Society (6)

**Psychology**

2021-Abnormal Psychology (5)

**Sociology**

1020-Introduction to Sociology (5) (Goal 7- Effective Spring 05)

1033-Sociology of Families in Crisis (5)

2031-Sociology of the Family (5)

2051-Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (5)

2053-Sociology of Disability (5)

2061-Sociology of Gender and Work (5)

2071-Social Psychology (5) (Goal 7-Effective Fall '06)

**Women and Gender Studies**

1071-Introduction to GLBT Studies (5)

**GOAL EIGHT: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE** Minimum of 3 credits

(from any of the following courses)

**Anthropology**

1023-Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (5) (Goal 8 Effective Fall 08; formerly Goal 7)

2031-Sex and Gender (5)

**Art**

1020-Art Appreciation (6) (Goal 8-Effective Fall 08)

**Art History**

1031-History of Western World Art I (6)

1032-History of Western World Art II (6)

**Chinese**

1011-Beginning Chinese I (Effective Fall 09)

1012-Beginning Chinese II (Effective Fall 09)

2021-Intermediate Chinese I

2022-Intermediate Chinese II

**Communication**

1051-Intercultural Communication (1)

1053-Communication, Travel, and Tourism (1)

**English**

2031-British Literature: Medieval to Romantic (6)

2032-British Literature: Romantic to the Present (6)

2035-Shakespeare (6) (Goal 8-Effective Fall 07)

2051-Modern World Literature (6)

2052-Contemporary World Literature (6)

2055-Mythology (6) (Goal 8-Effective Fall 07)

2057-An Introduction to African Literature (6)

2058-Middle Eastern Literature (6)

2061-Women in Literature-British and Colonial (6)

2063-Women in Literature-World Voices (6)

2083-Latin American Literature (6)

**French**

1011-Beginning French I (Effective Fall 09)

1012-Beginning French II (Effective Fall 09)

2021-Intermediate French I

2022-Intermediate French II

**Geography**

1023-Human Geography (5)

1031-World Regional Geography (5)

**Global Studies**

2010-Introduction to Global Studies (5)

**History**

1021-Western Civilization: from Antiquity to the 18<sup>th</sup> Century (5)

1022-Western Civilization: from the 18<sup>th</sup> Century to the Present (5)

1051-East Asia Since 1600 (5)

1061-World History 1400 to Present (5)

2053-Southeast Asia and the Vietnam War (5)

**Humanities**

1021-Intro. to the Humanities: Europe & the United States (6)

1025-Intro. to the Humanities: A World View (6)

1030-Culture and Civilization of Spanish Speaking Peoples (6)

- 1035-Culture and Civilization of French Speaking Peoples (6)
- 1040-Culture and Civilization of Chinese Speaking Peoples (6)
- 1041-Art of Film (6) (Goal 8-Effective Fall 08)
- 1043-International Film (6)

#### Music

- 2051-World Music (6)

#### Philosophy

- 1025-Introduction to Eastern Philosophy (6)
- 1051-World Religions (6)

#### Political Science

- 1023-International Relations (5)

#### Sociology

- 2087-Criminology and Criminal Behavior (5) (Goals 5 & 8-Effective Fall 08)

#### Spanish

- 1011-Beginning Spanish I (Effective Fall 09)
- 1012-Beginning Spanish II (Effective Fall 09)
- 2021-Intermediate Spanish I
- 2022-Intermediate Spanish II

#### Women and Gender Studies

- 2061-Women in Global Perspective (5)

### GOAL NINE: ETHICAL AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

Minimum of 3 credits (from any of the following courses)

#### Communication

- 1021-Fundamentals of Public Speaking (1)
- 1041-Small Group Communication (1)
- 1061-Introduction to Mass Communication (5)
- 2011-Interviewing (1)

#### English

- 2025-Creative Writing: Nonfiction
- 2062-Women in Literature-American (6)

#### History

- 1035-Minnesota History (5)
- 2041-American Myth (5)
- 2043-The United States Since 1945 (5)
- 2051-20<sup>th</sup> Century Global Conflicts and Crises (5)

#### Philosophy

- 1031-Ethics (6)
- 1035-Biomedical Ethics (6)

#### Political Science

- 1020-Introduction to Political Science (5)
- 1031-American Government (5)
- 1033-State and Local Government (5)
- 1035-Constitutional Law (5)

#### Psychology

- 2043-Child Development (5) (Goal 9-Effective Fall 2008)
- 2044-Adolescent Development (5) (Goal 9-Effective Fall 2008)
- 2045-Adulthood, Aging and Death (5) (Goal 9-Effective Fall 2008)

#### Sociology

- 1041-Sociology of Social Problems (5)
- 1080-Introduction to the Criminal Justice System (5)

#### Women and Gender Studies

- 1061-Foundations of Women's Studies (5)

**GOAL TEN: PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT** Minimum of 3 credits (from any of the following courses)

#### Anthropology

- 1022-Introduction to Physical Anthropology: Human Origins (Goal 3-Effective Fall 08)
- 2061-Anthropology of Human Nature (5)

#### Biology

- 1025-Field Biology (3) (Goal 10-Effective Fall 08)
- 1026-Plants and Society (3) (Goal 10-Effective Fall 08)
- 1028-Ecology (3)

#### Earth Science

- 1020-Earth Science (3)
- 1025-Interdisciplinary Physical & Environmental Science (3)
- 1030-Physical Geology (3)
- 1040-Energy Concepts (3)
- 1045-Energy Concepts Lab (3)
- 1050-Introduction to Meteorology (3)
- 1055-Introduction to Meteorology Lab (3)
- 1060-Introduction to Oceanography (3)
- 1080 Natural Disasters (3)

#### English

- 2095-Ethics and Environments: The Literature of Place (6)

#### Geography

- 1021-Physical Geography (Goal 3-Effective Fall 08)

#### History

- 2045-The American West: An Environmental History (5)

**Remember:** If you fulfill the 10 goal areas in fewer than 40 semester credits, select courses within any of the goals to achieve a 40 credit total.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH: (for AA only) 2 credits

In recognition of the importance of health and wellness to a thriving society, personal well being, and work productivity, Century College requires that students take a minimum of 2 credits in Physical Education/Health with at least one activity course in Physical Education. Select from PE 1000-1075; HLTH 1001-1070.

#### Recommended:

**Computer Literacy:** Recognizing the importance of computer literacy in the world today, it is recommended that students develop computer skills appropriate for their major fields by either selecting courses that are computer-based or selecting a course(s) that will fulfill this need.

#### Additional Requirements:

Sufficient college-level credits (1000 or higher) to total 64.

## COUNSELORS' NOTES AND SUGGESTIONS

1. This degree is designed to be a transfer degree consisting of the general education requirements typically completed during the first half (2 years) of a Bachelor's degree ("four year degree"). Century has transfer agreements with all of the Minnesota State Universities, University of MN-Twin Cities and Duluth and University of Wisconsin-River Falls and Stout stating that all of the lower-division general education distribution requirements at these institutions are automatically met by completion of this degree. Century also has articulation agreements with Augsburg College, College of St. Scholastica, Concordia University-St. Paul, University of North Dakota and North Dakota State University that considers transfer students with the MnTC or AA degree to have fulfilled most of their lower-division general education requirements. This does not, however, guarantee the transfer of each course or eliminate the need to plan for pre-major requirements. Students interested in transferring must often meet additional general education requirements, pre-major requirements, second language requirements, and/or minimum high school preparation requirements (only those graduating from high school in 1987 and after) as outlined on the transfer guides available in the Counseling Center, Room 2400 and on the Century website. Consult with Century counselors and representatives of the transfer college of your choice for detailed information and planning.
2. Transfer guide sheets outlining general education requirements for a number of four-year colleges are available in the Counseling Center and on the Century website. Century courses meeting these requirements are listed. Transfer guide sheets listing Century courses that meet degree and admission requirements for a number of specific majors at some colleges are also available in the Counseling Center and on the Century website.
3. Students transferring in at least 8 college-level credits from another MnSCU (Minnesota State Colleges & Universities) institution and/or the University of Minnesota can meet the residency requirement for graduation by completing 12 credits at Century College.
4. Any exceptions to the requirements for the degree must be petitioned through the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Forms and assistance are available in the Counseling Center.
5. Students shall follow any catalog in effect during the six-year period proceeding their date of graduation. The student shall declare which catalog year on the form "Application for Graduation" at least six weeks prior to graduation. The student must have been enrolled at Century during the catalog year selected.
6. Also see the white information sheets, dealing with questions and issues relating to transfer available in the Counseling Center:
7. Catalogs (print and Web), and other materials from a variety of colleges are available in the Career Center for your use. Course equivalency tables can be found on the web at [www.uselectmn.org](http://www.uselectmn.org). The Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS), on the Century website under e-services, delivers computerized information about course requirements needed to complete your degree or program of study at Century.
8. **Career Information:** Counselors are available in the Counseling and Career Center to assist you with educational and career planning. Resources include career interest and personality inventories and print and web-based occupational and educational information, e.g., occupational descriptions, employment outlook, earnings, education/training requirements and sources. Consult the GPS LifePlan link on the Century website for information on these and more resources for your career, work and education planning!