

# Education

## Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree

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**Length:** Four semesters (two years)

**Purpose:** The Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree Program with a major in Education is designed for persons who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university to complete a baccalaureate degree program in the social sciences or high school education. This curriculum is designed to offer sufficient course flexibility to students whose educational goals may not yet be clearly defined and to provide greater opportunity for these students to elect courses which emphasize areas of individual academic strength and interest in the college transfer core.

**Transfer Objectives:**

- Education
- Pre-professional Careers
- Human Services
- Social Work
- Psychology
- Undecided Majors

**Admission Requirements:** In addition to the admission requirements established for the college entry into the Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree Program with a major in Education recommends the satisfactory completion of the following high school units or equivalent as a minimum: 4 units of English, 3 units of college preparatory mathematics, 1 unit of laboratory science, and 1 unit of social science. Students with deficiencies in reading, writing or math will be required to take developmental studies.

**Program Requirements:** The world of modern education demands that students be knowledgeable both in their teaching field and in general education. Thus, this curriculum requires courses in the humanities, natural sciences, mathematics, social sciences, personal wellness. The Education curriculum is designed to lead the student toward meeting state teacher licensure requirements and teaching endorsements. This curriculum also provides a solid general core education as students prepare for pre-professional degrees.

In order to prepare for upper division (junior class) standing at a four-year college or university, the student must complete a program at the community college which is comparable in length and courses to the first two years of the program at the four-year college or university. Upon satisfactory completion of the four-semester program listed, the graduate will be awarded the Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree with a major in Education.

Course Number	Course Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credits
<b>First Semester (Fall)</b>				
ENG 111	College Composition I	3	0	3
SDV 101	Orientation to College Success	1	0	1
HLT 110	Concepts of Personal and Community Health	3	0	3
MTH	Mathematics	3	0	3
EEE	Humanities Elective	3	0	3
EEE	Social Science Elective	3	0	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>

Course Number	Course Title	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Credits
<b>Second Semester (Spring)</b>				
ENG 112	College Composition II	3	0	3
CST 100	Principles of Public Speaking	3	0	3
MTH	Mathematics	3	0	3
EEE	Humanities Elective	3	0	3
EEE	Social Science Elective	3	0	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Third Semester (Fall)</b>				
ENG	Literature 241 or 243	3	0	3
SCI	Natural Science (BIO, CHM, GOL or PHY)	3	3	4
HIS	History 121, 111 or 101	3	0	3
EEE	Social Science Elective	3	0	3
ITE 115 or 119	Intro. to Computer Applications & Concepts or Information Literacy	3	0	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Fourth Semester (Spring)</b>				
ENG	Literature 242 or 244	3	0	3
EEE	Social Science or Humanities Elective	3	0	3
SCI	Natural Science(BIO, CHM, GOL, or PHY)	3	3	4
HIS	History 122, 112 or 102	3	0	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Total Minimum Credits for AA&amp;S Degree</b>				<b>60</b>

Students are urged to follow the [recommended pathway](#) for this degree when choosing electives.

Additional approved humanities and social science electives are listed at <http://www.vhcc.edu/GenEdCore>.

Students are urged to acquaint themselves with the requirements of the major department in the college or university to which transfer is contemplated; and further, to consult with their counselors and advisors at VHCC in planning their academic program and electives.

Students planning to enter Secondary Education should complete Praxis I before transfer. For more information on licensure requirements, see an academic counselor or contact Eva S. Tilson at [etilson1@vhcc.edu](mailto:etilson1@vhcc.edu).