Associate in Arts, General Education Requirements

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The Associate in Arts Degree prepares you for transfer to universities with advanced standing. The courses are comparable to lower division level courses at Kansas Regents colleges and universities.

The Associate in Arts Degree will be awarded upon completion of the planned program of not less than 60 college credit hours with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or overall "C." To be eligible for graduation, the student must have completed at least fifteen (15) credit hours from Barton Community College. Students who remain continuously enrolled from time of entry to application for graduation will be held to the catalog requirements in effect when they declare their program of study, unless a later catalog is adopted. "Continuous enrollment" refers to annual fall and spring semester enrollment (or equivalent) in a minimum of at least one credit bearing course per semester. Should a student's enrollment be interrupted, they will be held to the guidelines and requirements of the catalog of record at the time of program re-entry.

This guideline does not apply to students with documented leave of absence justification or members of the military involved in deployment operations. Changes to prerequisites and/or curriculum which occur for purposes beyond graduation – e.g. regulatory and legislative updates, third party accreditation or other certification bodies requirements, increased skill demand from industry, employment or transfer requirement changes, or recommended and/or mandated changes from the Kansas Board of Regents or other such entities are not subject to these catalog requirements.

Prior coursework may be evaluated to determine currency of content before including the credit hours toward a certificate or degree. Developmental courses cannot be used to fulfill degree requirements. A minimum distribution of credits and general education course requirements shall be:

ZONE 1: FOUNDATION COURSES

Distribution Requirements: 18 credit hours total

Sector A: Written and Oral Communication

ENGL 1204 English Composition I or ENGL 1209 English Composition I w/Review ENGL 1206 English Composition II COMM 1230 Public Speaking or COMM 1200 Interpersonal Communications

Sector B: Mathematical Reasoning

Sector C: Technological Skills

Sector D: Global Issues and Diversity

ZONE 2: INTRODUCTORY COURSES

Distribution Requirements: minimum of 18 and maximum of 24 credit hours total with a minimum of six classes and at least one course in each sector

Sector A: Arts and Humanities

Sector B: Social Sciences

Sector C: Mathematics and Pure Science*

Sector D: Personal Well-Being**

TOTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE: 60 credit hours

* One lab science is required

** Restricted to two credits in PHED or HLTH

You can search for courses approved to fulfill general education requirements for the Associate of Arts degree at Barton Community College.

General Education Course List

You can search for courses approved to fulfill general education requirements for the four associate degrees at Barton Community College.