

Associate of Arts in General Studies

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The Associate of Arts degree in General Studies is designed to equip students with core competencies, a foundational Biblical worldview, and offers a student-centered approach by providing a personalized program of study based on student interests.



Students successfully completing this program will demonstrate:

1. A general knowledge of Scripture, a Biblical worldview, and spiritual growth.
2. College-level competence in effective communications, critical thinking, and analytical analysis. This includes general skills that form the foundation for all learning: reading, writing, and composition.
3. Introductory knowledge of Western culture through the integration of themes from history, science, philosophy, and/or literature.

Graduation Requirements

All of the following requirements must be met in order to graduate and receive an Associate of Arts degree in General Studies from Trinity College:

1. Satisfactory completion of a minimum of 60 semester credit hours with at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average including completion of the Associate of Arts curriculum, Chapel, and Christian Service requirements. The final 30 credit hours and at least 50% of all major courses credit hours must be completed in residence at Trinity College.
2. Satisfactory completion of all Trinity College assessment procedures.
3. Continued evidence of a consistent, genuine, Christian testimony.
4. Continued essential agreement with the Doctrinal Statement of the College.
5. Satisfactory fulfillment of all financial obligations to the College. No degree will be granted or transcript provided to a student with an outstanding financial obligation to the College.
6. Affirmative recommendation for graduation by the faculty, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the Board of Trustees.

Major Requirements (Total Required Credits: 60) Suggested Two-Year Schedule:

Fall Semester (1st Year) 15 Credits			Spring Semester (1st Year) 15 Credits		
SLS1501	College and Career Success	3	ENC1102	English Composition II	3
ENC1101	English Composition I	3	BIBL1000	Bible or Theology Elective	3
BIBL1000	Bible or Theology Elective	3	SPC1300	Interpersonal Communications	3
GEEL1000	General Studies Elective**	3	GEEL1000	General Studies Elective**	3
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Fall Semester (2nd Year) 15 Credits			Spring Semester (2nd Year) 15 Credits		
BIBL2331	Hermeneutics	3	BIBL2000	Bible or Theology Elective	3
BIBL2000	Bible or Theology Elective	3	MTEL2000	Math Elective	3
GNMN1302	Evangelism and Discipleship	3	HSEL2000	History Elective	3
LTEL2000	Literature Elective	3	MISS1301	World Missions and Religions	3
GEEL1000	General Studies Elective**	3	GEEL2000	General Studies Elective**	3

**Students may select a course in history, science, literature, psychology, communication, language, fine arts, or honors. All selections must be approved by the student's advisor.