

# ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE (AS)

The Associate of Science (AS) degree is designed for students who plan to transfer and complete a Bachelor of Science degree at a four-year institution. The degree requirements allow students more flexibility in course selection, allowing them to focus on their discipline requirements.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

*NOTE: Completion of this degree does not guarantee that all lower division general education requirements have been met for a baccalaureate degree (i.e., this is not a block transfer degree as is the AA/OT). In selecting courses for this degree, students are highly encouraged to consult the specific transfer curriculum pages in this catalog, the faculty advisor, and the institution to which they intend to transfer to determine if it is an appropriate choice. Students are encouraged to complete an articulation agreement with the school they intend to transfer to.*

The following curricula are governed by a formal transfer agreement with a four-year university and must be followed specifically to satisfy AS degree requirements:

- Childhood Education and Family Studies Emphasis
- Criminal Justice Emphasis
- Fire Science Emphasis
- Forestry Emphasis
- Marine Biology Emphasis
- Natural Resources Emphasis

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Complete a minimum of 90 credit hours of specified courses with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. All courses counting towards the degree must have a grade of 'C' or better. Twenty-four (24) credits must be completed at Southwestern before the AS degree is awarded.

Complete elective courses to reach a total of 90 credits. The courses must be numbered 100 or above. Career technical courses may only be applied to the AS degree in the following curricula which are governed by formal transfer agreements with four-year universities and are part of a current, formal transfer agreement with a four-year institution. Career technical courses offered at Southwestern are identified by an (\*) in the course description section of this catalog.

Complete the graduation application process one term prior to the term of completion (e.g., spring term graduates must apply during winter term).

<b>GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS</b> All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better.	<b>DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS</b> Courses must be at least three (3) credits each and complete six (6) credits from each of the following Related Area of Instruction Requirements. All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better.			<b>ELECTIVES</b> All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better.
<b>WRITING</b> Six (6) credit hours at a level equivalent to WR121, WR122 or WR227.	<b>ARTS AND LETTERS</b> Six (6) credit hours. <i>Note: A second year foreign language may be included, but not first year.</i> ART115, 116, 117, 131, 132, 133, 191, 192, 204, 205, 206, 225, 244, 253, 256, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286	<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b> Six (6) credit hours. ANTH101, 102, 221, 222, 223, 224, 230, 231, 232 CJ101 ECON201, 202 ED169, 258	<b>SCIENCE/MATHEMATICS/COMPUTER SCIENCE</b> Six (6) credit hours. <b>LABORATORY COURSES:</b> BI101, 102, 103; 142; 201, 202, 203; 231, 232, 233, 234 CHEM221, 222, 223 ENV235 G201, 202, 203 GS104, 105, 106, 107, 108 PH201, 202, 203; 211, 212, 213	Students may take any college-level course that would bring total credits to 90 quarter hours. Career and Technical Education courses may only be applied to the AS degree in the designated emphasis areas which are governed by agreements with four-year universities and are part of a current, formal transfer agreement with a four-year institution (see specific catalog program page). <i>Note: A maximum of nine (9) credits of PE185 may be applied to the AS degree.</i>
<b>COMMUNICATION</b> One (1) course taken from SP100, SP111, SP218 or SP219.	ASL201, 202, 203 ENG104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206	GEOG105 HDFS140, 222, 229, 247 HST101, 102, 103, 104, 201, 202, 203, 240 PS201, 202, 203	<b>OTHER APPROVED COURSES:</b> BI140, 149 CHEM110 CS160, 161, 162, 261 ENGR111, 112, 201, 202, 203, 211, 212, 213 G146, 207, 220, 221, 246, 291 MTH105, 111, 112, 212, 213, 231, 232, 241, 242, 243, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 260, 265	(see specific catalog program page). <i>Note: A maximum of nine (9) credits of PE185 may be applied to the AS degree.</i>
<b>MATHEMATICS</b> Four (4) credit hours of college level mathematics from MTH105 or higher, excluding MTH211.	GER201, 202, 203 HUM204, 205, 206 J 203, 205, 215, 217 MUS101, 111, 112, 113, 201, 202, 203, 205, 206, 211, 212, 213	PSY100, 201, 202, 203, 228, 231, 237, 239, 240 SOC105, 204, 205, 206, 208, 210, 213, 221, 243 WS101	MTH105, 111, 112, 212, 213, 231, 232, 241, 242, 243, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 260, 265	(see specific catalog program page). <i>Note: A maximum of nine (9) credits of PE185 may be applied to the AS degree.</i>
<b>HEALTH, WELLNESS AND FITNESS</b> PE185 (3 courses) or one (1) three credit course from HE250 or PE231.	PHL101, 102, 103 SP100, 111, 218, 219, 220 SPAN201, 202, 203 WR241, 242, 243			Three (3) credit hours of PE185 may be granted toward an AS degree for completion of military basic training. A copy of the military transcript or DD-214 is required. Courses numbered 199/299 will qualify as elective credit only. A maximum number of 45 credits is allowed for basic, developmental, or supportive courses under federal financial aid guidelines.

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