

GENERAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

Sandhills Community College offers two general associate degree programs. These programs are designed for students who wish to earn a two-year associate's degree and choose courses related to their personal or occupational interests. Students may earn the Associate in General Education or the Associate in Applied Science in General Occupational Technology degree.

ASSOCIATE IN GENERAL EDUCATION (A10300)

The Associate in General Education degree is designed for the academic enrichment of students who wish to broaden their education, with emphasis on personal interest, growth and development.

Course work includes study in the areas of humanities and fine arts, social and behavioral sciences, natural sciences and mathematics, and English composition. Opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and the basic use of computers will be provided.

Through these skills, students will have a sound base for lifelong learning. Graduates are prepared for advancements within their fields of interest and become better qualified for a wide range of employment opportunities. Students who decide to continue their studies at a senior institution may receive transfer credit for many of the courses taken at Sandhills. Acceptance of courses for transfer credit will be evaluated on a course-by course basis by the receiving institution.

Requirements for Associate in General Education (A10300)

| <u>Courses</u> | <u>Semester Hours</u> |
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| English Composition | 6 |
| ENG 111 and one of the following: ENG 112 or 114 | |
| Humanities/Fine Arts | 3 |
| Select one course from the approved general education core in the following areas: ART, DRA, ENG (literature), FRE, HUM, MUS, PHI, REL, SPA | |
| Social/Behavioral Sciences | 3 |
| Select one course from the approved general education core in the following areas: ANT, ECO, GEO, HIS, POL, PSY, SOC | |

Natural Sciences/Mathematics 3
 Select **one** course from the approved general education core in the following areas: AST, BIO, CHM, CIS, GEL, MAT, PHY

Other Required Hours.....49-50
 Other required hours include additional general education and professional courses.

- ACA 115 or 122 (1 SHC)
- A maximum of 7 SHC in health, physical education, college orientation, and/or study skills may be included as other required hours.
- Any 100-level or higher curriculum course taught by the College.

Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC) in program **64-65**

GENERAL OCCUPATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

The General Occupational Technology degree curriculum provides individuals with an opportunity to upgrade skills and to earn an associate degree, diploma, and/or certificate by taking courses suited for individual occupational interests and/or needs.

The curriculum content will be customized for students according to occupational interests and needs. Each student's specific program of study will be reviewed and approved by the Dean of Instruction at least one semester prior to the semester of graduation. The criteria for approval will be as follows: The degree must comprise a set of non-developmental-level courses (100-189 or 200-289) offered by the College that enhance the student's employability skills.

Graduates will become more effective workers, better qualified for advancements within their fields of employment, and become qualified for a wide range of entry-level employment opportunities.

General Occupational Technology (A55280) Associate in Applied Science Degree Program

Requirements for General Occupational Technology

| <u>General Education Courses</u> | <u>Semester Hours</u> |
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| Communications | 6 |
| ENG 111 and one of the following: ENG 112 or 114, COM 110, 120, or 231 | |
| Humanities/Fine Arts | 3 |
| Select one course from approved general education courses in the following areas: ART, DRA, ENG (literature), FRE, HUM, MUS, PHI, REL, SPA | |

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| Social/Behavioral Sciences..... | 3 |
| Select one course from approved general education courses in the following areas: ANT, ECO, GEO, HIS, POL, PSY, SOC | |
| Natural Sciences/Mathematics | 3 |
| Select one course from approved general education courses in the following areas: AST, BIO, CHM, CIS, GEL, MAT, PHY | |
| Other Required Hours | 49-60 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACA 115, Success & Study Skills (1 SHC) • Approved 100-level or higher curriculum courses from Associate in Applied Science programs offered by the College.* | |
| <p><i>*Each student's specific program of study will be reviewed and approved by the Dean of Instruction at least one semester prior to the semester of graduation. The criteria for approval will be: The degree must comprise a set of courses that enhance the student's employability skills.</i></p> | |
| PROGRAM TOTAL..... | 65-76 |