GENERAL STUDIES PROGRAM

The General Studies program at Dixie State College focuses on General Education and electives to help students prepare for future study in bachelor’s degrees. Students must complete the required General Education courses for an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science, and students may choose from other courses to complete at least 60 college-level credits. The Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree usually involves the first two years of college-level study for a full-time student.

A student who receives an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science (not Associate of Applied Science) degree is considered to have fulfilled the General Education requirements at Dixie State College and other Utah System of Higher Education institutions. The Associate of Arts degree also required eight (8) credits of foreign language. For specific courses fulfilling these requirements, see the General Education section of this catalog.

Students who are interested in pursuing bachelor’s or applied associate’s degrees at Dixie State College are urged to contact the advisor for that major as soon as possible in their college studies so they can maximize elective credits in the associate’s degree by fulfilling degree requirements.

Students who have not selected a bachelor’s or applied associate degree program, or who wish to transfer after completing either their General Education courses or an Associate of Art/Science degree, are urged to contact the Academic Advisement Center for assistance in planning their college coursework.

Degrees & Certificates

- Associate of Arts
- Associate of Science

Associate of Arts 60 credits

General Education

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- American Institutions
- English
- Mathematics

DSC General Education Requirements

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- ENGL 1010 Intro to Writing 3.0
- ENGL 2010 Intermediate Writing 3.0
- CIS 1200 Computer Skills 3.0
- LIB 1010 Information Literacy 1.0

Complete one of the following: 3.0-5.0

- MATH 1030 Quantitative Literacy (3.0)
- MATH 1040 Intro to Statistics (3.0)
- MATH 1050 College Algebra /Pre-Calculus (4.0)
- Other GE approved Mathematics course (3.0-5.0)

Complete the following:

- American Institutions GE approved course 3.0
- Life Sciences GE approved course 3.0-5.0
- Physical Science GE approved course 3.0-5.0
- Social & Behavioral Sciences GE approved course 3.0
- Fine Arts / Communication GE approved course 3.0
- Literature / Humanities GE approved course 3.0

Complete the following:
• Credits in a single foreign language through college courses, vertical credit, or examination 8.0

Electives
Complete the following:

• Courses to bring total number of credits to not less than 60.
• Courses that will lead to further study in baccalaureate programs.

Graduation Requirements
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2. Complete at least 20 lower-division credits at DSC for institutional residency.
3. Cumulative GPA 2.0 or higher.

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