

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS)

College majors that offer an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree are also known as “career technical” programs. AAS degree programs prepare students for direct entry into the workforce. An AAS may also help students with career growth, licenses, or further study in a bachelor’s degree program. MHCC has many transfer agreements (<https://www.mhcc.edu/education-options/transfer-to-university/articulation-agreements/>) with universities for students who have completed an AAS degree.

See the MyMHCC portal for printable degree worksheets (https://my.mhcc.edu/ICS/Student_Services/Printable_Degree_Worksheets.jnz).

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Mathematics, 1 course (p. 1)		4-6
Writing, 1 course (p. 1)		3-4
Human Relations, 1 course (p. 1)		3-4
Health and Physical Education, 3 credits (p. 1)		3
Career-Technical program courses		77-91
Total Credits		90-108

Mathematics

One course:

Code	Title	Credits
MTH058	Quantitative Reasoning I	6
MTH065	Beginning Algebra II ★ (or higher)	4

Some programs require a higher level of math; consult program page and/or faculty adviser for required math level. *In order to use MTH058 Quantitative Reasoning I for this degree requirement, it must be 6 credits.*

Written Communication

One course:

Code	Title	Credits
WR101	Workplace Communications I ★	3
WR121Z	Composition I ★	4

Some programs may require the addition of WR122Z Composition II ★ or WR227Z Technical Writing ★. Please see the program page for details.

Human Relations

Three (3) credits:

To fulfill the Human Relations requirement for an AAS degree, students may complete 3 or more credits of the following:

- One (1) Arts & Letters (<https://catalog.mhcc.edu/degree-certificate-requirements/aaot/#arts-letters>) course, 3-4 credits, if taken summer 2019 or later.

- One (1) Social Science (<https://catalog.mhcc.edu/degree-certificate-requirements/aaot/#social>) course, 3-4 credits, if taken summer 2019 or later.
- A minimum of three (3) credits from the following:

Code	Title	Credits
BA285	Leadership and Human Relations	3
HD110	Navigating Career Change ★ (taken summer 2020 or later)	1
HD130AT	Introduction to Careers: Applied Technology ★ (taken summer 2020 or later)	2
HD208	Career and Life Planning ★ (taken summer 2020 or later)	3
HPE110	Teambuilding and Group Facilitation	3

Please note that the Human Relations options above were implemented starting in catalog year 2020-21 and beyond. For courses taken prior to summer term 2019, please see the 2019-20 Human Relations course list (<https://catalog.mhcc.edu/archives/2019-20/degree-certificate-requirements/aas/#human>).

Students may earn credit for a combination of HD130AT Introduction to Careers: Applied Technology ★ and HD130HC Introduction to Today’s Careers: Health Professions ★, but not HD130 Today’s Careers.

Some programs, especially those in the Health Professions, require a specific Human Relations course; consult program page and/or faculty adviser for more information.

Health and Physical Education (HPE)

3 credits in Physical Education (PE) and/or in Health Education (HE/HPE):

Code	Title	Credits
HE151	Drug Education: Stimulants and Performance Enhancing Drugs	3
HE152	Drug Education: Opioids, Cannabis, Depressants and Hallucinogens	3
HE202	Adult Development and Aging	1
HE204	Nutrition for Health	3
HE205	Diet Appraisal ★	1
HE207	Stress Control Through Activity Intervention	1
HE208	HIV and Other Sexually Transmitted Infections	1
HE225	Nutrition ★ (or FN225, if taken summer 2021 or later)	4
HE250	Personal Health and Wellness ★	3
HE251	Wilderness First Aid	2
HE252	First Aid: Responding to Emergencies	3
HE255	Alcohol and the Family	3
HE261	CPR - Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation	1
HE262	Basic Life Support ★	1
HE265	Women’s Health ★	3
HE289	Wilderness First Responder	4
HPE110	Teambuilding and Group Facilitation	3
HPE120	Introduction to Navigation	1
HPE170	Structure and Function of the Human Body	3
HPE172	Exercise Science	3
HPE174	Fitness Assessment and Programming	3

HPE260	Prevention and Care of Exercise-Related Injuries	3
HPE270	Introduction to Sport Psychology	3
HPE285OL	Wilderness Survival	3
HPE291	Lifeguard Training	2
HPE295	Health and Fitness for Life ★	3
PE185__	PE185 activity course	1

Three (3) credit hours of PE185 may be granted toward an Associate degree at MHCC for completion of military basic training. A copy of the DD214 form or a Joint Services Transcript is required.

Career-Technical Core Requirements

Complete all required core courses in a career-technical curriculum.

Some programs require prerequisite coursework or placement test levels before beginning the curriculum. Check individual program pages for information. Elective courses included in an AAS degree program must be numbered 100 or above.

To be awarded an AAS degree, students must:

- Complete all requirements to total 90 applicable degree credits.
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher in: the cumulative MHCC grade point average; all courses being applied toward the degree; and in the candidate's major classes. Some majors may have additional GPA requirements.
- Satisfactorily earn 12 credit hours at MHCC. Non-traditional credit (College Level Examination Program, Experience-Based Credit, Challenge, etc.) does not satisfy this requirement.

Please note: Courses may not be repeated for credit unless specified in the course description.

To check your official progress toward graduation, log on to MyMHCC (<https://my.mhcc.edu/>) and click "View My Degree Audit."

★ Course offered online

🌐 Cultural Literacy course