ASSOCIATE OF GENERAL STUDIES (AGS)

The Associate of General Studies (AGS) degree is designed for students who want to receive a broad education. The AGS degree is quite flexible. Courses students take in the AGS can include transfer or career-technical courses. Students should work with an adviser to plan out courses, especially if they intend to transfer at some point.

For adviser information, see the General Studies / Exploratory major page (https://catalog.mhcc.edu/programs-majors/general-studies-major/)**.** See the MyMHCC portal for printable degree worksheets (https://my.mhcc.edu/ICS/Student_Services/Printable_Degree_Worksheets.jnz).

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Written Communication, 1 course (p. 1)		3-4
Oral Communication, 1 course (p. 1)		3-4
Mathematics - MTH020 or placement above (p. 1)		0-4
Arts & Letters, Social Science, and Science/Math/Computer Science - take a combination of 16 credits, with at least 1 course from each category		**16**
Arts and Letters, 1 course minimum (p. 1)		
Social Science, 1 course minimum (p. 3)		
Science / Mathematics / Computer Science, 1 course minimum (p. 4)		
Health and Physical Education (p. 5)		1
Electives, to reach 90 credits		65-67
Total Credits		**90-96**

Written Communication

One (1) course:

Code	Title	Credits
WR101	Workplace Communications I ★	3
WR121Z	Composition I ★	4
WR122Z	Composition II ★	4
WR227Z	Technical Writing ★	4

Oral Communication

One (1) course:

Code	Title	Credits
COMM100Z	Basic Speech Communication ★	4
COMM111Z	Public Speaking ★	4
COMM114	Argument and Critical Discourse	3
COMM115	Introduction to Intercultural Communication ★ 🌐	4
COMM218Z	Interpersonal Communication ★	4
COMM219	Small Group Communication	3

Mathematics

Students interested in earning the AGS degree must either place into MTH058 Quantitative Reasoning I or above, or complete MTH020 Applied Arithmetic and Pre-algebra with a grade of C or better.

Please note: MTH098 Quantitative Reasoning II *and below will not transfer to a university.*

Arts & Letters, Social Science, and Science/Math/Computer Science

16 credits minimum, with at least one (1) course from each category.

Arts and Letters

One (1) course minimum:

Code	Title	Credits
Art / Art History		
ART115	Basic Design I: Two-Dimensional	4
ART116	Basic Design II: Color Theory	4
ART117	Basic Design III: Three- Dimensional	4
ART204	History of Western Art: Prehistoric - Byzantine ★	4
ART205	History of Western Art: Medieval - Renaissance ★	4
ART206	History of Western Art: Baroque - Modern ★	4
ART211	Survey of Visual Arts ★ 🌐	4
ART215P	Survey in Visual Arts: Photography	3
ART219A	Calligraphy - Bookhand	2
ART219B	Calligraphy - Italics	2
ART219C	Calligraphy - Historical and Decorative Styles	2
ART225	Digital Art Toolbox	4
ART226	Digital Drawing and Imaging	4
ART227	Introduction to Animation	4
ART231	Drawing I	4
ART232	Drawing II	4
ART233	Drawing III	4
ART234	Figure Drawing I	4
ART235	Figure Drawing II	4
ART236	Figure Drawing III	4
ART240	Illustration and Cartooning	4
ART244	Visual Storytelling	4
ART254	Ceramics I	4
ART255	Ceramics II	4
ART256	Ceramics III	4
ART257	Jewelrymaking/Metalsmithing I	4
ART258	Jewelrymaking/Metalsmithing II	4
ART259	Jewelrymaking/Metalsmithing III	4
ART260	Introduction to Digital Photography	4
ART261	Black and White Film Photography	3
ART262	Intermediate Black and White Film Photography	3
ART271	Printmaking I: Screenprint and Woodcut	4
ART272	Printmaking II: Silkscreen, Woodcut, and Intaglio	4
ART273	Printmaking III	4
ART281	Painting I	4
ART282	Painting II	4
ART283	Painting III	4
ART291	Sculpture I	4
ART292	Sculpture II	4
ART293	Sculpture III	4
ART294	Watercolor I	4

| ART296 | Watercolor II | 4 |
| ART297 | Watercolor III | 4 |

Communication / Speech (cannot be same course used to fulfill Oral Communication requirement)

COMM100Z	Basic Speech Communication ★	4
COMM111Z	Public Speaking ★	4
COMM114	Argument and Critical Discourse	3
COMM115	Introduction to Intercultural Communication ★ 🌐	4
COMM218Z	Interpersonal Communication ★	4
COMM219	Small Group Communication	3

Creative Writing

WR240	Creative Writing: Nonfiction	3
WR241	Creative Writing: Fiction I ★	4
WR242	Creative Writing: Poetry I ★	4
WR244	Creative Writing: Poetry II	4
WR245	Creative Writing: Fiction II	4
WR291A	The Literary Publication I	1
WR291B	The Literary Publication I	2
WR292A	The Literary Publication II	1
WR292B	The Literary Publication II	2
WR293A	The Literary Publication III	1
WR293B	The Literary Publication III	2

English / Literature

ENG104	Introduction to Literature: Fiction ★	4
ENG105	Introduction to Literature: Drama ★	4
ENG106	Introduction to Literature: Poetry	4
ENG201	Shakespeare	4
ENG204	British Literature I: Old English to Renaissance ★ 🌐	4
ENG205	British Literature II: Age of Enlightenment to Present ★ 🌐	4
ENG212	Latin American Literature ★	4
ENG218	Arthurian Legends	4
ENG222	Women's Literature 🌐	3
ENG250	Introduction to Mythology	4
ENG253	Survey of American Literature I ★ 🌐	4
ENG254	Survey of American Literature II ★ 🌐	4
ENG261	Literature of Science Fiction ★ 🌐	4
ENG271	World Literature: The Classical World (Ancient Literature to 1000 C.E.) 🌐	4
ENG272	World Literature: 1000 to 1800 C.E. 🌐	4
ENG273	World Literature: 1800 C.E. to the Present 🌐	4

Ethics in the Workplaces

| HUM202 | Ethics in the Workplace ★ 🌐 | 3 |

Film Appreciation / Studies

FA257	Films and Society ★ 🌐	4
FA258	Understanding the Film ★ 🌐	4
FA266	Film Directors 🌐	4
FA270	Film Genres ★	4

Intensive English for College and Careers (IECC)

IECC201C	Intensive English: Advanced Communication for College and Careers	3
IECC201P	Intensive English: Pronunciation II	2
IECC201R	Intensive English: Advanced Reading	5
IECC201W	Intensive English: Advanced Writing	5

Modern Languages

ASL101	First-year American Sign Language I	4
ASL102	First-year American Sign Language II	4
ASL103	First-year American Sign Language III	4
ASL201	Second-year American Sign Language I 🌐	4
ASL202	Second-year American Sign Language II 🌐	4
ASL203	Second-year American Sign Language III 🌐	4
JPN101	First-year Japanese I	5
JPN102	First-year Japanese II	5
JPN103	First-year Japanese III	5
JPN201	Second-year Japanese I 🌐	5
JPN202	Second-year Japanese II 🌐	5
JPN203	Second-year Japanese III 🌐	5
SPAN101	First-year Spanish I	5
SPAN102	First-year Spanish II	5
SPAN103	First-year Spanish III	5
SPAN111	Beginning Spanish Conversation I	3
SPAN112	Beginning Spanish Conversation II	3
SPAN113	Beginning Spanish Conversation III	3
SPAN201	Second-year Spanish I 🌐	4
SPAN202	Second-year Spanish II 🌐	4
SPAN203	Second-year Spanish III 🌐	4
SPAN211	Intermediate Spanish Conversation I	1
SPAN212	Intermediate Spanish Conversation II	1
SPAN213	Intermediate Spanish Conversation III	1

Music / Performance

MUS101	Music Fundamentals	3
MUS103	Jazz History	3
MUS105	History of Rock	3
MUS111	Music Theory I	3
MUS112	Music Theory II	3
MUS113	Music Theory III	3
MUS121	Aural Skills I	1
MUS122	Aural Skills II	1
MUS123	Aural Skills III	1
MUS137	Beginning Guitar Class	1
MUS138	Intermediate Guitar Class	1
MUS131	Group Piano I	2
MUS132	Group Piano II	2
MUS133	Group Piano III	2
MUS161	Jazz Improvisation	2
MUS162	Jazz Improvisation	2
MUS201	Music in Cinema 🌐	3
MUS211	Music Theory IV 🌐	3
MUS212	Music Theory V 🌐	3
MUS213	Music Theory VI 🌐	3
MUS221	Aural Skills IV: Modulation	1

MUS222	Aural Skills V: Polyphony	1
MUS223	Aural Skills VI: Chromaticism	1
MUS231	Keyboard Harmony I	2
MUS232	Keyboard Harmony II	2
MUS268	Music History: Baroque to Romantic ◍	4
MUP101	Wind Ensemble: First Year	1
MUS279	Popular Songwriting	3
MUP105	Jazz Ensemble	1
MUP114	Chamber Ensemble/Jazz Combo: First Year	1
MUP115	Chamber Choir: First Year	1
MUP121	Symphonic Choir: First Year	1
MUP146	Orchestra: First Year	1
MUP171-192 Individual Lessons		1-2
MUP271-292 Individual Lessons		1-2
Philosophy		
PHL191	Language and the Layout of Argument	4
PHL201	Introduction to Philosophy ★ ◍	4
PHL202	Fundamental Ethics ★ ◍	4
Religion		
R210	World Religions ★ ◍	3
R211	History of the Old Testament ★ ◍	3
R212	History of the New Testament ★ ◍	3
Theatre Arts		
TA101	Appreciating Theatre	3
TA106	Theatre History: Origins to the Renaissance ★ ◍	3
TA107	Theatre History: Restoration to Contemporary ★ ◍	3
TA121	Costuming	3
TA141	Acting Fundamentals I	3
TA142	Acting Fundamentals II	3
TA143	Acting Fundamentals III	3
TA144	Improvisation	3
TA148	Movement for the Actor	2

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Social Science

One (1) course minimum:

Code	Title	Credits
General Social Science		
SSC100	Introduction to Social Entrepreneurship	4
Anthropology		
ANTH101	Introduction to Biological Anthropology ★	4
ANTH102	Introduction to Archaeology and World Prehistory ★ ◍	4
ANTH103	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology ◍	4
ANTH180	Language and Culture ★ ◍ (being renumbered to ANTH140 effective winter term 2024)	4
Communication		
COMM115	Introduction to Intercultural Communication ★ ◍ (if taken summer 2021 or later)	4
Economics		

EC115	Introduction to Economics ★	3
EC201	Principles of Economics I: Microeconomics ★	4
EC202	Principles of Economics II: Macroeconomics ★	4
Geography		
GEOG105	Introduction to Physical Geography	3
GEOG106	Introduction to World Regional Geography ◍	3
GEOG107	Introduction to Cultural Geography ◍	3
GEOG202	The Geography of Europe ◍	3
GEOG206	Geography of Oregon ◍	3
GEOG209	Geography of the Middle East and North Africa ◍	3
GEOG214	Geography of Mexico and Central America ◍	3
GEOG290	Environmental Problems and Restoration	3
History		
HST101	Western Civilization: Ancient and Classical Europe ◍	4
HST102	Western Civilization: Medieval and Early Modern Europe ◍	4
HST103	Western Civilization: Modern Europe ◍	4
HST110	Ancient World History ★ ◍	4
HST111	Medieval World History ★ ◍	4
HST112	Modern World History ★ ◍	4
HST195	History of the Vietnam War ◍	3
HST201	U.S. History: Pre-Colonial-1840 ★	4
HST202	U.S. History: 1840 - 1917 ★	4
HST203	U.S. History: 1910 - Present ★	4
HST204	Women in U.S. History ◍	4
HST225	Women in World History ◍	4
HST237	America in the 1960s	3
HST264	African-American History: 1500 - 1870s ★ ◍	4
HST265	African-American History: 1870 - Present ★ ◍	4
International Studies		
INTL101	Introduction to International Studies ★ ◍	4
Journalism		
J211	Introduction to Mass Communications	3
Music History		
MUS103	Jazz History (if taken summer 2020 or later)	3
MUS105	History of Rock (if taken summer 2020 or later)	3
MUS268	Music History: Baroque to Romantic ◍ (if taken summer 2020 or later)	4
MUS279	Popular Songwriting	3
Political Science		
PS200	Introduction to Political Science ★	4
PS201	American Government ★	4
PS203	State and Local Governments	4
PS204	Introduction to Comparative Politics	4
PS205	International Relations ★ ◍	4
PS209	Problems in American Politics	4
PS215	Global Issues	4
PS217	Introduction to Public Land Management: The Politics of Recreation	3
PS225	Political Ideology: Ideas About Government	4

PS241	Introduction to Political Terrorism ★	4
Psychology		
PSY101	Psychology of Human Relations ★	3
PSY151	Introduction to the Social Sciences	3
PSY201	General Psychology ★	4
PSY202	General Psychology ★	4
PSY214	Introduction to Personality ◉	4
PSY216	Social Psychology	3
PSY231	Human Sexuality	3
PSY232	Sexuality and Society ★ ◉	3
PSY237	Human Development ★	4
PSY239	Introduction to Abnormal Psychology ★	4
Sociology		
SOC204	General Sociology: Principles of Sociology ★	3
SOC205	General Sociology: Social Institutions ★	3
SOC206	General Sociology: Social Problems ★	3
SOC213	Race Relations in the United States ★ ◉	3
SOC215	Gender and Society ★ ◉	3
SOC216	Sociology of the Family ★	3
SOC223	Sociology of Aging ★	3
Theatre History		
TA106	Theatre History: Origins to the Renaissance ★ ◉ (if taken summer 2021 or later)	3
TA107	Theatre History: Restoration to Contemporary ★ ◉ (if taken summer 2021 or later)	3
Women's Studies		
WS101	Introduction to Women's Studies ★ ◉	3
World Literature		
ENG271	World Literature: The Classical World (Ancient Literature to 1000 C.E.) ◉ (if taken summer 2020 or later)	4
ENG272	World Literature: 1000 to 1800 C.E. ◉ (if taken summer 2020 or later)	4
ENG273	World Literature: 1800 C.E. to the Present ◉ (if taken summer 2020 or later)	4

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Science / Mathematics / Computer Science
One (1) course minimum:

Code	Title	Credits
General Science		
GS104	Physical Science - Physics	4
GS105	Physical Science: Chemistry of the Environment [1]	4
or GS105A	Chemistry for the Consumer	
or GS105B	Chemistry of Food and Cooking	
GS106	Physical Science: Geology	4
Astronomy		
PH104	Descriptive Astronomy	4
PH109C	Observational Astronomy	3
PH121	General Astronomy	3
PH122	General Astronomy	3
PH123	General Astronomy	3
Biology / Anatomy		
BI101	General Biology: Cellular Biology ★	4
BI102	General Biology: Molecular Biology ★	4
BI103	General Biology: Ecology and Evolution	4
BI112	Biology for Health Professions	5
BI132	Introduction to Animal Behavior ★	4
BI133	Northwest Forest Ecology	4
BI121	Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology I ★	4
BI122	Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology II ★	4
BI211	Principles of Biology I	5
BI212	Principles of Biology II	5
BI213	Principles of Biology III	5
BI231	Human Anatomy and Physiology I ★	4
BI232	Human Anatomy and Physiology II ★	4
BI233	Human Anatomy and Physiology III ★	4
BI234	Microbiology	4
Chemistry		
CH104	General Chemistry for Health Professions	5
CH105	Organic Chemistry for Health Professions	5
CH106	Biological Chemistry for Health Professions	5
CH151	Basic Chemistry	4
CH221	General Chemistry I	5
CH222	General Chemistry II	5
CH223	General Chemistry III	5
CH241	Organic Chemistry I	5
CH242	Organic Chemistry II	5
CH243	Organic Chemistry III	5
Computer Science		
BA231	Information Technology/Business ★	4
CIS120	Computer Concepts I ★	3
CIS120L	Computer Concepts Lab I ★	1
CIS276	SQL	4
CS160	Computer Science Orientation ★	4
CS161	Computer Science I	4
CS162	Computer Science II	4
CS201		4
CS250	Discrete Structures I	4
CS251	Discrete Structures II	4
CS260	Data Structures	4
Engineering		
ENGR201	Electrical Fundamentals I	5
ENGR211	Statics	4
ENGR212	Dynamics	4
ENGR213	Strength of Materials	4
GE101	Engineering Orientation	4
GE102	Engineering Computations	3
GE115	Engineering Graphics	3
Fish, Wildlife, Natural Resources		
F240	Natural Resources Ecology	4

FW252	Mammals: Biology and Techniques	4
FW253	Field Ornithology	4
Geology		
G148B	Volcanoes and Their Activity (contains a lab component; formerly G148, cannot be repeated for credit) [2]	4
G148C	Volcanoes and Their Activity (non-lab science; formerly G148, cannot be repeated for credit) [2]	3
G165	Regional Field Geology	3
G201	Principles of Physical Geology	4
G202	Principles of Physical Geology	4
G203	Principles of Historical Geology	4
Mathematics		
MTH105Z	Math in Society	4
MTH111Z	Precalculus I: Functions ★	4
MTH112Z	Precalculus II: Trigonometry	4
MTH211	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I	4
MTH212	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics II	4
MTH213	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics III	4
MTH251	Calculus I: Differential Calculus	5
MTH252	Calculus II: Integral Calculus	5
MTH253	Calculus III	4
MTH254	Calculus IV: Multivariable/ Vector Calculus Part 1	5
MTH255	Calculus V: Multivariable/Vector Calculus Part 2	4
MTH256	Differential Equations	5
MTH261	Linear Algebra	4
STAT243Z	Elementary Statistics I ★	4
STAT244	Elementary Statistics II	4
Nutrition		
FN225	Nutrition ★	4
Physics		
PH201	General Physics I	5
PH202	General Physics II	5
PH203	General Physics III	5
PH211	General Physics with Calculus I	5
PH212	General Physics with Calculus II	5
PH213	General Physics with Calculus III	5

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[1] Students may receive credit toward credential completion for **one** of the GS105 course options.

[2] Students may receive credit toward credential completion for **one** of the G148 options.

Health and Physical Education (HPE)

1 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
PE185 - activity course		1
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 ★ (requirement at OSU and WOU)	3

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.

Electives

Complete electives to reach a total of 90 degree credits. Elective courses for the AGS may be any course numbered 100 or above. No more than 30 credits of one discipline may apply as elective. A maximum of 8 credits of PE185, 25 credit hours of IECC courses numbered 100 or higher, and 12 credits of Cooperative Education Internship may be applied to the AGS degree as elective credit.

To be awarded an AGS 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, and all courses being applied toward the degree.
- 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. Refer to the Course Numbering System and Developmental Education list for courses that are not applicable toward an MHCC degree or certificate.

To check your official progress toward graduation, log on to MyMHCC and click "View My Degree Audit."

★ Course offered online

⊕ Cultural Literacy course