# INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

### Associate of Arts

The Associate of Arts Degree field of study in Interdisciplinary Studies provides students with a broad-based education in "college basics" that promotes critical thinking skills and allows for an opportunity to make an informed choice in educational preferences.

The program offers transferable field of study selections in arts and humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, computer applications and mathematics. This field of study is an excellent transfer program that can be used towards the successful completion of a Baccalaureate Degree in any field.

#### **Program Learning Outcomes**

- Communication Skills Effective development, interpretation and expression of ideas through written, oral and visual communication.
- Critical Thinking Skills Creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation, and synthesis of information.
- 3. Empirical & Quantitative Skills Manipulation and analysis of numerical data or observable facts resulting in informed conclusions.
- Personal Responsibility Ability to connect choices, actions and consequences to ethical decision-making.
- Social Responsibility Intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities.
- Teamwork Ability to consider different points of view and work effectively with others to support a shared purpose or goal.

#### TSI Liable

Total Credit Hours	60
Complete 42 credit hours of required Core Curriculum <sup>2,3</sup>	42
STC Core Curriculum - 42 credit hours	
Select a minimum of 18 hours of Field of Study courses <sup>1</sup>	18
Field of Study - 18 credit hours	

<sup>1</sup> The Field of Study courses must be chosen from two (2) or more AA or AS field of study options. Substitutions to this degree plan will be accepted if the Transfer Institution accepts the substitution(s) as courses that will apply toward the baccalaureate degree the student intends to pursue.

- <sup>2</sup> In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum. These courses must not duplicate courses taken to fulfill the field of study requirements.
- <sup>3</sup> Students who select a 3 credit hour Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

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100% Online

## **Recommended Course Sequence**

Recomme	naea Course Se	quence
Course First Year Fall	Title	Credit Hours
Component Area	Option - Core Curriculum	3
HIST 1301 or HIST 2327	United States History I or Mexican-American History I	3
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
Elective - Field of	Study <sup>1</sup>	3
Spring	Credit Hours	12
HIST 1302 or HIST 2328	United States History II or Mexican-American History II	3
ENGL 1302	Composition II - Rhetoric	3
GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3
Creative Arts Elec	tive - Core Curriculum	3
Elective - Field of	Study <sup>1</sup>	3
Summer Language, Philos Core Curriculum	Credit Hours ophy & Culture Elective -	<b>15</b> 3
	Credit Hours	3
Second Year		
Fall		
Mathematics Elec	ctive - Core Curriculum	3-4
Life and Physical Curriculum	Sciences Elective - Core	4
Core Curriculum	ioral Sciences Elective -	3
Elective - Field of	Study 1	3
Component Area (if required)	Option - Core Curriculum	1
Spring	Credit Hours	14
GOVT 2306	Texas Government	3
Life and Physical Curriculum	Sciences Elective - Core	4
Elective - Field of		3
Elective - Field of	Study	3
Elective - Field of	Study <sup>1</sup>	3
	Credit Hours	16
	Total Credit Hours	60

<sup>1</sup> Courses to be chosen from Field of Study