

## Associate in General Studies (AGS) Degree

### Description

The Maricopa County Community College District Associate in General Studies (AGS) degree is recommended for students whose educational goals require flexibility. The AGS allows students to choose any elective courses numbered 100 or above to complete the degree. Therefore, this degree may be less appropriate for students who intend to transfer to a baccalaureate-granting institution.

Students who demonstrate skills comparable to those in Critical Reading and/or Mathematics and/or Computer Usage may substitute acceptable elective courses to satisfy the total credits required for the degree.

### Academic Policies That Govern the Associate in General Studies Degree:

- requires a minimum of 60 semester credits in courses numbered 100 and above.
- AGS degree requirements follow with the use of a diagonal character (/) between course numbers to signify options. An asterisk (\*) following the course number defines requirements with an effective begin term of spring;
- requires grades as listed for specific areas such as the General Education Core where a minimum grade of "C" is required. Courses applied to other areas may be completed with a minimum grade of "D";
- uses the following policies for course(s) satisfying multiple program areas;
  1. A course can simultaneously satisfy one Core area and one Distribution area. Courses that meet this criterion are bold print and underscored in the Core areas and Distribution areas.
  2. A course cannot satisfy more than one Core area, even if it is approved for more than one Core area.
  3. A course cannot satisfy more than one Distribution area, even if it is approved for more than one Distribution area.
- follows the graduation policies within the general catalog;
- includes both courses and their modular equivalents; either the course or the modular equivalents will satisfy the Associate in General Studies;
- accepts one of the courses that is cross-referenced with other courses;

### Degree Requirements

#### GENERAL EDUCATION CORE

(16 credits - grade of "C" or better)

#### First-Year Composition (6 credits)

ENG English [101/107] & [102/108]

#### Oral Communication (3 credits)

COM Communication 100/100AA & 100AB & 100AC/110/110AA & 110AB & 110AC/225/230

#### Critical Reading (3 credits)

CRE Critical Reading 101/Equivalent as indicated by assessment

#### Mathematics (3 credits)

MAT Mathematics 102/120/121/122/122AA/122AB/122AC/126/140/141/142/150/151/151AA/151AB/151AC/151AD/152/156/172/182/187/206/212/213/220/221/230/231/240/241/261/262/276/277 equivalent course  
Satisfactory completion of a higher level Mathematics course.

#### Computer Usage (1 credit)

Computer-related course or demonstration of comparable computer skills. Additional courses may be approved by individual colleges. Students should contact their advisor for college-specific courses satisfying the requirement.

ACC Accounting 115  
 ADA Advertising Arts 169/170/170AA/170AB/173/173AA/173AB/173AC/175/175AA/175AB/177/177AA/177AB/any 180 modules/183/183AA/183AB/183AC/283/283AA/283AB/283AC/289/289AA/289AB/289AC  
 AGB Agribusiness 139  
 AJS Administration of Justice Studies 119/205  
 AMS Automated Manufacturing System 150  
 ARC Architecture 243/244/245  
 ART Art 100/169/170/170AA/170AB/173/173AA/173AB/173AC/175/175AA/175AB/177/177AA/177AB/179/179AA/179AB/any 180 module/183/183AA/183AB/183AC/283/283AA/283AB/283AC/289/289AA/289AB/289AC  
 BIO Biology 294  
 BPC Business-Personal Computers Any BPC Course(s)  
 CFS Child/Family Studies 180  
 CIS Computer Information Systems Any CIS Course(s) (except 162, 162aa, 162ac, 163AA, 169, 183AA, 259, 262)  
 CSC Computer Science Any CSC Course(s) (except 200, 200AA, 200AB, 210, 210AA, 210AB)

# General Education

CTR	Court Reporting 101/102
DFT	Drafting Technology 103/105/any 105 module/ 150/251/any 251 module/any 254 module/256AA
ECH	Early Childhood Education 238
EEE	Electrical Engineering 120
ELE	Electronic 131/181/241/243/245/281
ELT	Electronic Technology 131/241/243
ENG	English 100AE
ENV	Environmental Sciences 119
FON	Food & Nutrition 100/100AA/100AC/100AD
GBS	General Business 221
GPH	Physical Geography 220
HRM	Hotel Restaurant Management 126
JAS	Justice & Government Agencies Admin 225
JRN	Journalism 133
LAS	Paralegal Studies 229
MAT	Mathematics 206
MET	Manufacturing Technology 264
MTC	Music Theory/Composition 180/191
NET	Networking Technology 181/181AA
OAS	Office Automation Systems 111AA/111AB/113/ 119/130DK/135DK/235DK
PSY	Psychology 230
RTR	Realtime Reporting 101/102
SBS	Small Business 211
SMT	Semiconductor Manufacturing Technology 150
SWU	Social Work 225
TVL	Travel Agent Technology 203
VPT	Video Production Technology 106

## GENERAL EDUCATION DISTRIBUTION AREAS (28-29 credits)

### Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)

Students are encouraged to choose courses from more than one discipline.

AIS	American Indian Studies 213
AJS	Administration of Justice Studies 123
ARH	Art Humanities Any ARH Course(s)
ASB	Anthropology 211/220/222/223/253
CCS	Chicana and Chicano Studies 101
CNS	Construction 101
COM	Communication 241
DAH	Dance Humanities 100/201/250
EDU	Education 291**/292/294
ENG	English 200/213/218
ENH	English Humanities Any ENH Course(s)
FRE	French 265
HCR	Health Care Related 210
HIS	History 101/102/103/108/109/111/113/114/243/253/ 254/275
HUM	Humanities Any HUM course(s) (EXCEPT 108, 120, 203, 207)
INT	Interior Design 115/120/225
LAT	Latin 201/202

MHL	Music: History/Literature 140/143/145/146/153/155/242
PHI	Philosophy Any PHI Course(s) (EXCEPT 113)
REL	Religious Studies Any REL Course(s) (EXCEPT 213, 271)
SLC	Studies in Language & Culture 201
SPA	Spanish 241/242/265/266
SPH	Spanish Humanities 245
STO	Storytelling 292/294
THE	Theater 111/205/206/210
THP	Theater/Performance/Production 241
WST	Women's Studies 209/284/285/290

### Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

Students are encouraged to choose courses from more than one discipline.

AFR	African American Studies 202/203/204
AIS	American Indian Studies 101/140/141/160/170
AJS	Administration of Justice Studies 101/119/162/200/ 225/258/259/270
ASB	Anthropology 102/202/211/214//222/223/230/ 235/238/245/252
ASM	Anthropology 104/275
CFS	Child/Family Studies 157/159/176/205/253/259
COM	Communication 100/100AA&100AB&100AC/ 110/110AA&110AB&110AC/163/230/250/263
ECH	Early Childhood Education 176
ECN	Economics Any ECN Course(s)
EDU	Education 221/222
EED	Early Education 200/205/222
ENG	English 213
EMT	Emergency Medical Technology 258
FOR	Forensic Science 275
FSC	Fire Science Technology 258
FUS	Future Studies 101
GCU	Cultural Geography 102/121/122/141/223
HES	Health Science 100
HIS	History any HIS Course(s) (EXCEPT 111, 135, 204, 277)
IBS	International Business 109
MCO	Mass Communications 120
POS	Political Science Any POS course(s)
PSY	Psychology 101/123/132/156/157/215/218/225/ 235/ 240/241/243/245/250/258/260/266/ 270/277/280/292
REC	Recreation 120
SBU	Society and Business 200
SLC	Studies in Language & Culture 201
SOC	Sociology Any SOC course(s) (EXCEPT 242, 251, 253, 265, 270)
SWU	Social Work 102/171/258/292
WED	Wellness Education 110
WST	Women's Studies 100/110/160/161
YAQ	Yaqui Indian History and Culture 100



# General Education

## Natural Sciences (7-8 credits)

Two lecture courses and one corresponding laboratory course are to be selected. The lecture and corresponding laboratory course(s) may carry separate credit. For appropriate course selection students should consult with an advisor.

AGS	Agricultural Science 164/260
ASB	Anthropology 231
ASM	Anthropology 104
AST	Astronomy 101/102/111/112/113/114
BIO	Biology 100/101/102/105/107/108/109/145/ 149AF/149AH/149AK/149AL/149AM/149AN/ 156/160/181/182/201/202/205/241/245
CHM	Chemistry 107/107LL/130/130LL/150/151/ 151LL/152/152LL/154/154LL/230/230LL
ENV	Environmental Sciences 101
FON	Food and Nutrition 241&241LL
FOR	Forensic Science 105/106
GLG	Geology Any GLG course(s)
GPH	Physical Geography 111/112/113/210/211/ 212/214/213/215
PHS	Physical Science 110/120
PHY	Physics 101/101AA/111AA/111/112/115/116/121/131
PSY	Psychology 275/290AB/290AC

## Literacy and Critical Inquiry (3 credits)

AIS	American Indian Studies 213
BIO	Biology 294
COM	Communication 222/225/241
CRE	Critical Reading 101
ENG	English 111/200/215/216/217/218
ENH	English Humanities 254/255
FON	Food & Nutrition 206
GBS	General Business 233
GPH	Physical Geography 211
HUM	Humanities 250/251
IFS	Information Studies 101
JRN	Journalism 201/234
MCO	Mass Communications 220
PHI	Philosophy 103/106
POS	Political Science 115
PSY	Psychology 290AB/290AC
REL	Religious Studies 203/205
THE	Theater 220
THP	Theater Performance/Production 241

## Elective Courses (15-16 credits)

May select courses from prefixes already chosen for General Education Distribution requirements in order to develop depth in one or more subject areas