

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

The Associate in Arts (AA) degree program prepares students to enter some baccalaureate degrees at Lake-Sumter State College or for transfer as juniors to a Florida public university; however, students need to be aware of specific courses required for acceptance into most majors. With careful selection, these courses may be used as either general education requirements or as electives. The AA degree guarantees admission to a Florida public university but not necessarily to an upper division, limited access program which may have additional requirements.

Financial Aid

Any course taken above the minimum credit hours required for the AA degree (60 credit hours) may not be covered by financial aid. Only required courses for an LSSC degree or qualified college credit certificate program are eligible for federal financial aid. Consult your program plan in Degree Works and/or an academic advisor prior to enrolling in any course to ensure program alignment.

Academic Advising

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Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
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General Education Courses

Area I: Communications

Select two from the State Core list and one from the institutional core list: 9

Communications State Core

ENC 1101	College Composition I
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ENC 1102	Composition: Literature or ENC 2210 Technical & Professional Writing
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Communications Institutional Core

SPC 2608	Public Speaking
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Area II: Humanities

Select one course from the following State Core and one course from the Institutional Core, or two courses from the State Core: 6

Humanities State Core

ARH 2000	Art Appreciation
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HUM 2020	Introduction to Humanities: Antiquity through the 21st Century
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LIT 2000	Introduction to Literature
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MUL 2010	Music Appreciation
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PHI 2010	Introduction to Philosophy
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THE 1000	Theater Appreciation
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Humanities Institutional Core

ARH 2050	Art History I
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FIL 2001	Introduction to American Cinema
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HUM 2310	Mythology and the Humanities
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MUH 1018	Introduction to Jazz
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PHI 2600	Introduction to Ethics
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REL 2300	World Religions
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THE 1304	Introduction to Script Analysis
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Area III: Social & Behavioral Sciences

Select one course from the following State Core and one course from the Institutional Core, or two courses from the State Core: 6

Social & Behavioral Sciences State Core

AMH 2010	U.S. History to 1877
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AMH 2020	U.S. History Since 1877
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ECO 2013	Principles of Economics I, Macroeconomics
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POS 2041	American National Government
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PSY 2012	Introduction to Psychology
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Social & Behavioral Sciences Institutional Core

DEP 2004	Psychology of Human Development
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ECO 2023	Principles of Economics II, Microeconomics
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EDF 2005	Introduction to Education
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SOP 2002	Social Psychology
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SYG 2000	Introduction to Sociology
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Area IV: Mathematics

Select one course from the following State Core and one course from the Institutional Core, or two courses from the State Core: 6

Mathematics State Core

MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking
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MAC 1105	College Algebra
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MAC 1105C	College Algebra with Integrated Review
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MAC 1114	Trigonometry
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MAC 1140	Precalculus Algebra
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MAC 2233	Calculus for Business
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MAC 2311	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I
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MAC 2312	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II
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STA 2023	Elementary Statistics I
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Mathematics Institutional Core

MGF 1131	Mathematics in Context
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MAC 1106	Combined College Algebra/Precalculus
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MAC 2313	Calculus with Analytic Geometry III
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MAP 2302	Differential Equations
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Area V: Natural Sciences

Select one course from the following State Core and one course from the Institutional Core, or two courses from the State Core: 6

Natural Sciences State Core

AST 1002	Introduction to Astronomy
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BSC 1005	Introduction to Life Science
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BSC 1010C	General Biology I w/Lab
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BSC 1011C	General Biology II w/Lab
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BSC 2085C	Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab
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BSC 2086C	Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab
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CHM 1020	Chemistry in Society
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CHM 2045C	General Chemistry I w/Lab
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CHM 2046C	General Chemistry II w/Lab
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ESC 1000	Earth Science Survey
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EVR 1001	Environmental Sustainability
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MCB 2010C	Microbiology w/Lab
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OCE 1001	Introduction to Oceanography
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PHY 1020C	Conceptual Physics
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PHY 2048C	Physics I with Calculus w/Lab	
PHY 2049C	Physics II with Calculus w/Lab	
PHY 2053C	College Physics I with Lab	
PHY 2054C	College Physics II w/Lab	
Natural Sciences Institutional Core		
CHM 1025C	Introductory Chemistry w/Lab	
CHM 1083	Environmental Science	
PSC 1001	Inventions & Discoveries: Science in a Changing World	
PSC 1515	Energy & the Environment	
General Education Flex		3
Select one course from the following list:		
Any General Education course from areas I-V that has not already been completed.		
CRW 2000	Creative Writing I	
SPC 1017	Interpersonal Communication	
TPP 2110	Acting I	
Program Electives		
Select 24 credits ¹		24
Total Hours		60

- successfully passing POS 2041 American National Government or AMH 2020 U.S. History Since 1877, or AMH 2010 U.S. History to 1877 (beginning Fall 2024 forward), or AMS 2010 Civil Discourse and the American Political Order and achieving a 60% or higher on the Florida Civic Literacy Exam , or
- successfully passing a prescribed assessment:
 - AP Government & Politics Test: United States (passing score of 3), or
 - AP U.S. History Test (passing score of 4), or
 - CLEP American Government (passing score of 50)
 - CLEP History of the United States I (passing score of 50)

To verify your Civic Literacy Requirement, please visit Degree Works (<https://degreeworks.lssc.edu/>)

Students must complete 25% of the AA degree's total credits (15 credit hours) at LSSC to qualify for graduation.

For information about career options, visit www.lssc.edu/careers (<http://www.lssc.edu/careers>).

¹ May include Writing Emphasis courses, Foreign Language AA graduation requirements, and courses required for an intended university major, including additional mathematics, science, social and behavioral sciences courses; contact the university for specific information. Maximum of four (4) credit hours of physical education courses will count toward the degree.

Writing Emphasis or "Gordon Rule" Requirement

In addition to the two required Area I: Communications courses, AA students must select two additional courses from the list below to complete the remaining 6 credit hours of the 12 credit hour Writing Emphasis or "Gordon Rule" Writing (GRW) requirement. Courses used toward the satisfaction of this 12 credit hour Writing Emphasis (GRW) requirement must be passed with a grade of "C" or higher.

Click here for Writing Emphasis Courses (<https://lssc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-programs/associate-arts-program/writing-emphasis/>)

Foreign Language Requirement

- Competency in a Foreign Language is required for completion of the AA degree either by:
 - Completion of two (2) credits at the secondary (high school) level in the same language
 - Complete and pass the elementary 2 level or higher of one foreign language at the college level

Civic Literacy Requirement

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As per the amended Florida Rule 6A-10.02413, prior to the award of a specialized associate in arts transfer degree, associate in arts, associate in science, or baccalaureate degree, LSSC students under the 2022-2023 Catalog and thereafter must demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options prior to graduation: