Associate of Arts Degree: Graduation Requirements Checklist

Use this checklist to plan and track your progress toward completion of an Associate Degree.

See a Student Success Advisor for course planning: douglascollege.ca/advising

Arts Requirements: (24 credits)
- English-1st year* (6 credits)
- Humanities (6 credits)
- Social Sciences (6 credits)
- Arts (6 credits)

Arts Requirements: 2nd Year Courses (18 credits) (min. two subject areas are required)

Science Requirements: 1st or 2nd Year Courses (9 credits)
- Lab Science (3 credits) (See list below)
- Math or Statistics or Computing Science (3 credits)
- Math or Statistics or Science (3 credits)

Electives: Any University Transferable Course (9 credits)

General Requirements:
- Complete 60 University Transferable (UT) credits that transfer to one of the Research Universities: SFU, UBCV, UBCO, UNBC, or UVIC.
- Check course transferability using the BC Transfer Guide at: www.bctransferguide.ca (Research Universities).
- Achieve an average overall grade of “C” or 2.0 GPA (“P” grade in a course is acceptable if minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 is met).
- Complete 50% (30 credits) of all coursework at Douglas College to meet the residency requirement.

Definitions:
- 1st Year Course: A course which transfers as an assigned or unassigned credit at 100-level to at least one Research University.
- 2nd Year Course: A course which transfers as an assigned or unassigned credit at 200-level or higher to at least one Research University.

Arts Courses:
An Arts course is defined to be any 100- or 200-level course in a subject area for which there is a Baccalaureate of Arts degree at: SFU, UBC, UBCO, UNBC, or UVIC (including Math and Economics). Guideline for Arts courses is listed below:

English
- Communications
- Creative Writing
- English

* (Engl. courses can include courses in written Communications and Creative Writing that transfer to one of the Research Universities as ENGL credit. A maximum of 3 credits can come from such an equivalent; at least 3 credits must be earned in an actual ENGL course, so named. For purposes of the Associate of Arts degree, Engl. courses cannot be counted as Humanities courses.)

Humanities
- GSWS**
- History
- Humanities
- Modern Languages
- Music
- Performing & Fine Arts
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Stagecraft & Event Tech.
- Theatre

Social Sciences
- Anthropology
- Criminology
- Geography (Human)
- GSWS**
- International Studies
- Legal Studies
- Psychology
- Social Sciences
- Sociology

May be used as Arts Electives (towards an Associate of Arts degree)

**Gender, Sexualities, and Women's Studies
***Global Learning Global Citizenship

Science Course: A science course is defined to be any course within a subject area for which there is a Baccalaureate of Science degree or Baccalaureate of Applied Science degree at one of the Research Universities: SFU, UBC, UBCO, UNBC, or UVIC. (Human Geography and most Psychology courses are designated as Arts courses)

Lab Science Courses: (A Lab Science course may be used as Science electives)
- ASTR: 1105
- BIOL: 1100, 1103, 1105, 1109, 1203, 1205, 1209, 1110, 1210, 2300, 2301, 2400, 2401, 3100, 3205, 3305, 3500, 3610, 3620
- CHEM: 1100, 1104, 1108, 1110, 1150, 1210, 2303, 2315, 2321, 2330, 2360, 2400, 2421
- EAES (GEOG): 1120, 1121, 1130, 1150, 1200, 1207, 1240, 2201, 2321, 2340, 2400, 2410, 2550, 2800, 2810, 2900, 2910
- GEOG: 1110, 1120, 2210, 2220, 2230, 3311
- PHYS: 1104, 1107, 1108, 1110, 1207, 1208, 1210

Not all courses are currently offered. Check course scheduling tool for course offerings.
Associate Degrees – providing a solid educational pathway

**Associate Degrees**

*Douglas College offers a wide range of university transfer credit courses which can be applied to Associate Degrees. Associate Degrees are designed to enrich your field of study and help plan your career pathway.*

**Requirements:**
- Minimum 60 university transfer credits.
- All courses must transfer to at least one of the Research Universities (SFU, UBCV, UBCO, UNBC, or UVIC).
- Check BC Transfer Guide (www.bctransferguide.ca) for course transferability (Research Universities).
- Minimum cumulative GPA 2.0 (average overall grade of "C").

**Benefits:**
- Guaranteed block transfer of 60 credits – may gain direct access to 3rd year courses with proper course planning.
- Prepares for life and work options.
- Teaches transferable skills: communications, reasoning, research, and problem-solving.

**Associate Degree - Specializations:**
Require a minimum of 18 credits (of the 60 credits required for your Associate degree) in one academic discipline AND at least 9 of those 18 credits must be considered second-year courses.

**ARTS (Specializations) Examples**
- Anthropology
- Communications
- Creative Writing
- Criminology
- Economics
- English
- Geography
- History
- Mathematics (Arts or Science)
- Modern Language
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Theatre

**SCIENCE (Specializations) Examples**
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth and Environmental Sciences
- Mathematics (Arts or Science)

**Associate Degree - Themes:**
Require completion of the same set of 60 credits for an Associate Degree and specific program requirements.

- Associate of Arts (Asian Studies)
- Associate of Arts (Environmental Studies)
- Associate of Arts (Gender, Sexualities, and Women’s Studies)
- Associate of Arts (Intercultural and International Studies)
- Associate of Science (Environmental Science)

**How can I find out more?**
Refer to other side of this sheet for quick Associate Degree guideline checklist.
Contact a Student Success Advisor: studentsuccess@douglascollege.ca
Visit Douglas’ Advising Page: https://www.douglascollege.ca/current-students/advising-services/course-strategy
Learn more at BC Transfer Guide: https://www.bctransferguide.ca/learn-more-about/associate-degrees/

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