

Associate in General Studies (GEST.AGS)

This pre-baccalaureate degree is an interdisciplinary program adapted to a student's needs, interests and capabilities.

NOTE: Only courses with a 2.0 or better transfer to most four-year colleges and universities. If students want to complete the Michigan Transfer Agreement, they need to plan their courses carefully. Completion of the Associate in General Studies degree does not guarantee the Michigan Transfer Agreement designation.

Minimum credits: 60

Minimum grade in all courses: 2.0 Minimum cumulative GPA: 2.0 Minimum Jackson College credits: 15

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (35-42 CREDITS)

GEO 1: Write clearly, concisely and intelligibly (6 credits)

Take the following:

ENG 131 Writing Experience I

Choose one of the following:

ENG	132	Writing Experience II
ENG	201	Advanced Composition
ENG	232	Technical & Business Writing

GEO 2: Recognize the importance of equity and inclusion in a diverse society (3 credits)**

Choose one of the following:

ANT	131	Cultural Anthropology
COM	250	Intercultural Communication
ENG	249	African-American Literature
HIS	125	African-American History
HIS	211	Minority Groups in America
HUM	131	Cultural Connections
PHL	243	Great World Religions
PLS	262	International Relations
PSY	152	Social Psychology
SOC	246	Marriage and Family

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GEO 3: Demonstrate computational skills and mathematical reasoning (4-5 credits)

Take the following:

MAT 130 Quantitative Reasoning (or higher)

GEO 4: Demonstrate scientific reasoning (4-5 credits)

Choose one of the following:

BIO	110	Introductory Biology
BIO	132	Human Biology
BIO	158	Environmental Science
BIO	161	General Biology I
BIO	162	General Biology II
BIO	220	Microbiology
BIO	231	General Botany
BIO	232	General Zoology
BIO	253	Human Anatomy and Physiology I
CEM	131	Fundamentals of Chemistry
CEM	141	General Chemistry I
GEL	109	Earth Science
GEL	160	Introduction to Geology
NSC	131	Contemporary Science
NSC	140	Contemporary Climate Science
NSC	141	Scientific Inquiry (Must be taken with NSC 141L for laboratory component)
PHY	131	Conceptual Physics
PHY	151	Astronomy
PHY	231	College Physics I
PHY	251	Modern University Physics I

GEO 5: Understand human behavior and social systems, and the principles which govern them (3-4 credits)

Choose one of the following:

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ECN	231	Macroeconomics
ECN	232	Microeconomics
HIS	120	Ancient History
HIS	131	Western Civilization to 1555
HIS	132	Western Civilization 1555 to Present
HIS	231	Development of the US through the Civil War
HIS	232	Development of the US from the Civil War
HIS	235	20th Century History
PLS	141	American National Government
PSY	140	Introduction to Psychology
PSY	152	Social Psychology
PSY	245	Infancy and Childhood
PSY	251	Abnormal Psychology
PSY	252	Developmental Psychology
PSY	256	Educational Psychology
PSY	290	Human Sexuality
SOC	152	Social Psychology
SOC	231	Principles of Sociology

GEO 6: Identify artistic, linguistic, and theoretical perspectives across the human experience (3 credits)

Choose one of the following:

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111	Art History: Prehistoric to 1400
112	Art History: Renaissance to Present
210	Film in Literature
246	Short Story & Novel
247	Poetry & Drama
249	African-American Literature
252	Shakespeare
254	Children's Literature
255	American Literature – 19th Century
256	American Literature – 20th Century
261	Creative Writing
131	Cultural Connections
130	Music of Non-Western Cultures
131	Understanding Music
132	History of American Popular Music
151	Music Theory I
152	Music Theory II
231	Introduction to Philosophy
243	World Religions
131	Elementary Spanish I
132	Elementary Spanish II
231	Intermediate Spanish I
232	Intermediate Spanish II
116	Introduction to Theatre
102	Portuguese Conversation I
103	Portuguese Conversation II
104	Mandarin I
105	Mandarin II
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ADDITIONAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Choose at least 6 credit hours from two of the following four areas: Natural Science, Social Science, Humanities and Diversity.

NATURAL SCIENCE

Must be a different course than taken for GEO 4.

Non-laboratory Science Courses:

BIO	140	Public Health and Disease
PHY	150	Concepts in Astronomy

LAB SCIENCE COURSES:

BIO	110	Introductory Biology
BIO	132	Human Biology
RI∩	150	Environmental Science

BIO 158 Environmental Science

BIO	161	General Biology I
BIO	162	General Biology II
BIO	220	Microbiology
BIO	231	General Botany
BIO	232	General Zoology
BIO	253	Human Anatomy and Physiology I
CEM	131	Fundamentals of Chemistry
CEM	141	General Chemistry I
GEL	109	Earth Science
GEL	160	Introduction to Geology
NSC	131	Contemporary Science
PHY	131	Conceptual Physics
PHY	151	Astronomy
PHY	231	College Physics I
PHY	251	Modern University Physics I

SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSES:

Must be a different course than taken for GEO 5.

ECN	231	Macroeconomics
ECN	232	Microeconomics
HIS	120	Ancient History
HIS	131	Western Civilization to 1555
HIS	132	Western Civilization 1555 to Present
HIS	231	Development of the US through the Civil War
HIS	232	Development of the US from the Civil War
HIS	235	20th Century History
PLS	141	American National Government
PSY	140	Introduction to Psychology
PSY	152	Social Psychology
PSY	245	Infancy and Childhood
PSY	251	Abnormal Psychology
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SOC	152	Social Psychology
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HUMANITIES COURSES:

Must be a different course than taken for GEO 6.

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111	Art History: Prehistoric to 1400	
112	Art History: Renaissance to Present	
210	Introduction to Film	
242	Sports in Film and Literature	
246	Short Story & Novel	
247	Poetry & Drama	
249	African-American Literature	
252	Shakespeare	
254	Children's Literature	
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ENG	255	American Literature – 19th Century
ENG	256	American Literature – 20th Century
ENG	261	Creative Writing I
HUM	131	Cultural Connections
MUS	131	Understanding Music
MUS	151	Music Theory I
MUS	152	Music Theory II
THR	116	Introduction to Theatre

DIVERSITY COURSES:

Must be a different course than taken for GEO 7.

ANT	131	Cultural Anthropology
ENG	236	Women in Changing Society
ENG	242	Sports in Literature and Film
ENG	249	African-American Literature
ENG	257	World Literature
FRN	131	French I (or higher)
GEO	132	World Regions
GER	131	German I (or higher)
HIS	125	African-American History
HIS	211	Minority Groups in America
HUM	131	Cultural Connections
PHL	243	World Religions
PLS	262	International Relations
MUS	130	Music of Non-Western Cultures
SOC	236	Women in Changing Society
SOC	246	Marriage and Family
SPN	131	Spanish I (or higher)

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Additional courses** so that total degree equals 60 credits.

Plan to see an academic advisor to discuss requirements for your selected program of study.

**Courses identified as remedial or developmental cannot be used as credits toward degrees or certificates. These courses currently include: CIS 090, 095; ENG 080, 085, 090, 091, 101, 102, 109, 110; MAT 019, 020, 030, 031, 033, 035 039; MTH 090, 095, 098, 100, and 110; and, MTT 009. Additional courses excluded from credits toward degrees and certificates are continuing education courses (prefix CCE, CED, CEU, CFO, CJT, CSS, ESL, LTL) and courses offered through Jackson College's workforce training programs (prefixes JTI, PDI).