

General Studies/Transfer Studies AA

Secondary Education Social Studies -Concentration

Academic Year 2023-2024
Liberal Arts & Transfer Studies Division

Program Description:

The General Studies/Transfer Studies Associate of Arts degree with a concentration in Social Studies Education serves as a foundation for continued studies in secondary education, grades 5-Adult at a four-year institution. In addition to achieving general education credits, this associate degree concentration will help students gain knowledge and skills in history, the humanities, the social sciences, and education.

Students planning to major in History can also follow this pathway for a seamless transfer to a four-year college or university.

The AA degree can establish the foundation for a lifetime of continual learning and serve as a framework for a productive professional and personal life. This degree gives emphasis to practical skills in communication and critical thinking, which may lead to employment such as a paraprofessional in education; however, the goal of this program is successful transfer with junior status to an upper division baccalaureate degree program in secondary education.

Career Outlook:

Students pursuing an education degree generally work as a teacher with children kindergarten through sixth grade or in secondary education, which requires a bachelor's degree in education. Students completing the associate of arts degree without pursuing a bachelor's degree, may obtain employment as a paraprofessional in education.

Employment Opportunities:

Paraprofessional

Salary Forecast:

For the most current salary information please refer to the Bureau of Labor Statistics "Occupational Outlook Handbook" found at www.bls.gov/ooh/.

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General Studies/Transfer Studies Major Code-10 • Secondary Education Social Studies Concentration Code							
Name:					ID Number 942-		
Student Success Counselor:							
Faculty Advisor:							
COURSE	REQUIREMENTS	SEM	HRS	GR	SUBSTITUTE/REPEAT CRS	SEM	CR
COL 101	New Student Seminar		1				
ENL 101	Written Communication I ⁴		3				
GEO 150	Introduction to Geography	F	3				
HIST 103	U.S. History to 1877	F	3				
FINE ARTS	Fine Arts Elective ¹		3				
HIST 114	World History to 1500	F	3				
			16 hrs.				
ENL 102	Written Communication II ²		3				
GEO 217	World Regional Geography	S	3				
HIST 115	World History since 1500	S	3				
COM 112	Oral Communication		3				
MAT 120	Applied Professional Math ⁵		3				
			15 hrs.				
HIST 240	West Virginia History	F	3				
EDUC 201	Educational Psychology ^{2,6}	F	3				
EDUC 270	Level I Clinical Experience ⁶	F	1				
PSYC 200	General Psychology		3				
POLS 101	Introduction to American Government	F	3				
SOCI 210	Fundamentals of Sociology		3				
			16 hrs.				
BIOL 105	Human Biology		4				
HMN 235	Leadership Studies ^{7,8}		3				
CIED 250	Educational Technology	S	3				
ENL 201	Introduction to Literature ³	S	3				
HIST 104	U.S. History from 1877	S	3				
			16 hrs.				
	REQUIRED HOURS FOR GRADUATION: 63						

¹ Choose from ART 101, MUSI 101 or THEA 101

² ENL 102 and EDUC 201 have a prerequisite of ENL 101 with a “C” or better

³ ENL 201 has a prerequisite of ENL 101

⁴ ENL 101 has a prerequisite of placement in 100 level English or a co-requisite of ENL 095. Students must earn a “C” or better in ENL 101 to graduate.

⁵ MAT 120 has a prerequisite of ACT 19, PLAC 100

⁶ EDUC 270 and EDUC 201 are co-requisites

⁷ HMN 235 has a prerequisite of ENL 101 with a grade of “C” or better

⁸ HMN 235 should be taken during the final semester (Capstone)