

General Studies (GSP)

The General Studies program, which leads to an A.S. degree, allows students substantial flexibility in course selection. In so doing, it provides them the opportunity to explore and refine their intellectual interests and permits students to develop an area of academic concentration.

The General Studies program is geared to facilitate transfer to four-year institutions of higher learning. Those students transferring to SUNY baccalaureate-granting schools will have completed a minimum of 30 SUNY General Education credits and satisfied 10 out of 10 General Education requirements from the Appendices in the current catalog. Students intending to transfer should make certain that their course selections meet the requirements of their chosen transfer institutions. To maximize transferability of courses and ensure their overall progress, students in the General Studies program must select courses and develop their plans of study in consultation with academic advisors.

Students who successfully complete the Associate in Science (A.S.) degree in General Studies (GSP) will be able to:

- Formulate or evaluate arguments, problems or opinions and arrive at a solution, position, or hypothesis based on carefully considered evidence.
- Produce writing that is well-organized, well developed, and clear.
- Demonstrate the ability to use technology and software applications to produce an output or perform analyses appropriate to their academic program/discipline.
- Work with graphical, numerical or symbolic models to solve problems and interpret results.
- Apply the scientific method, develop hypotheses, analyze results and draw conclusions.
- Demonstrate oral communication skills in a clear and organized manner using appropriate verbal and nonverbal communication techniques with regard to subject, purpose, and audience.

Courses should be selected in consultation with an advisor.

First Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
ENG 101	Composition I	3
BHS 103	Social Problems in Today's World	3
American History (Appendix D)		3
Elective (a)		3-4
WFE 101	Lifetime Wellness and Fitness	3
GSS 100	General Studies Introductory Seminar	1
TOTAL		16-17

Second Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
ENG 102	Composition II	3
Math Course (b)		3-4
Humanities (a)		3

Social Science Elective (a)	3	
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TOTAL		15-17

Third Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
Science Course (a)		4
Electives (a)		13
TOTAL		17

Fourth Semester

Course No.	Descriptive Title	Credit Hours
Science Course (a)		4
Electives (a)		12
TOTAL		16
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	64

a. These courses must be selected so as to satisfy all of the following requirements: At least one course from each of the ten SUNY General Education Appendices. A minimum of two science courses from Appendix B. Students may not use ENG 102 to satisfy the Humanities requirement. A 200-level English course is highly recommended. A minimum of two 200-level courses are required. Electives should be in the student's area of academic interest/concentration.

b. For students whose area of academic concentration is the social sciences, MAT 118 is highly recommended. Others should select MAT 109 or higher.