

Social Science Secondary Education (A1010M)
Associate in Arts Pre-Major

Under the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement and the Independent Comprehensive Articulation Agreement, this template has been developed by university and community college faculty as a blueprint for guiding community colleges in developing programs for students who intend to major in Social Science Secondary Education. Students who successfully complete this course of study and who meet the requirements for admission to the university are eligible to apply for admission to the major with junior standing.

All colleges will not offer all pre-major programs, and course selections may vary. Check college catalogs for course and program offerings.

General Education Core (44 SHC)* Forty-four semester hours of credit in general education core courses are required as outlined on the NCCCS Curriculum Standards for Associate in Arts degree programs. The general education core includes study in the areas of humanities and fine arts, social and behavioral sciences, natural sciences and mathematics, and English composition.

English Composition (6 SHC) *Two English composition courses are required.*

- English 111, Expository Writing, is required as the first composition course.
- The second composition course must be selected from the following:
 - ENG 112 Argument-Based Research (3 SHC)
 - ENG 113 Literature-Based Research (3 SHC)
 - ENG 114 Professional Research and Reporting (3 SHC)

One of the following courses is recommended to satisfy the second composition requirement:
ENG 112 Argument-Based Research (3 SHC) *or* ENG 113 Literature-Based Research (3 SHC)

Humanities/Fine Arts (12 SHC)** *Four courses from three discipline areas are required.*

- One course must be a literature course.
- Three additional courses from the following discipline areas are required: art, drama, dance, foreign languages, interdisciplinary humanities, literature, music, philosophy, and religion.

Social/Behavioral Sciences (12 SHC) *Four courses from three discipline areas are required.*

- The following courses are required (6 SHC):
 - POL 120 American Government (3 SHC)
 - SOC 210 Introduction to Sociology (3 SHC)
- One of the following course sequences is required (6 SHC):
 - HIS 111 and 112 World Civilizations I (3 SHC) and II (3 SHC) *or*
 - HIS 121 and 122 Western Civilization I (3 SHC) and II (3 SHC)(HIS 111 and 112 are recommended.)

Natural Sciences/Mathematics (14 SHC)

Natural Sciences (8 SHC):

- Two courses from the biological and physical science disciplines, including accompanying laboratory work, are required.

Mathematics (6 SHC): Two courses are required.

- One course must be in introductory mathematics (college algebra, trigonometry, calculus, etc.).
- The second course may be a higher level mathematics course or may be selected from among other quantitative subjects, such as computer science (CIS) and statistics (MAT).

A college may award a diploma under the A1010M for completion of the entire general education core, as outlined, with a grade of "C" or better in each course.

Other Required Hours (20-21 SHC)* One semester hour of credit may be included in a sixty-five semester hour credit associate in arts program. The transfer of the 65th hour is not guaranteed.

- The following courses are required (9 SHC):
 - GEO 111 World Regional Geography (3 SHC)
 - HIS 131 American History I (3 SHC)
 - HIS 132 American History II (3 SHC)
- One of following is required (3 SHC or 6 SHC):
 - ECO 151 Survey of Economics (3 SHC)
 - or*
 - ECO 251 Principles of Microeconomics (3 SHC) *and*
 - ECO 252 Principles of Macroeconomics (3 SHC)
- 5-8 additional hours of approved college transfer courses are required to total 64 SHC of transferable courses.

Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC) in Program: 64-65

- * **Students must meet the receiving university's foreign language and/or health and physical education requirements, if applicable, prior to or after transfer to the senior institution.**
- ** **3 SHC in Speech/Communication may be substituted for 3 SHC in Humanities/Fine Arts. Speech/Communication may not substitute for the literature requirement.**

Application to a University

Admission application deadlines vary; students must meet the deadline for the senior institution to which they plan to transfer. Upon successful completion of the associate degree, students who meet the requirements outlined in this pre-major articulation agreement will be eligible to be considered for admission as juniors to the signatory institutions offering the baccalaureate degree as listed at www.northcarolina.edu/content.php/aa/planning/traditional.htm or in the NC Independent Colleges and Universities Handbook which is available online at www.ncicu.org/publications. Students are encouraged to contact the senior institution to confirm degree offerings.

Admission to the Major

Grade point average requirements vary, and admission is competitive across the several programs in Social Science Secondary Education. Admission to teacher licensure programs requires satisfactory scores on PRAXIS I and II.

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