

Southern West Virginia 2022-2023 Southern Academic Catalog Community Technical College

General Studies, Certificate

Purpose

The Certificate in General Studies is designed to provide students with an educational path that will maintain options while completing basic general education requirements. The coursework required for the degree will provide skills necessary to be competitive and excel in the workplace including: a) communication skills, b) critical thinking skills, c) a knowledge of basic technology, and d) a strong sense of personal and professional responsibility.

Program Level Outcomes:

1. Demonstrate the ability to think critically and creatively.
2. Identify and apply analytical reasoning across academic disciplines.
3. Demonstrate and compose new works proficiently in oral and written communication.
4. Recognize and relate to literature and the arts, diversity, historical viewpoints, and global perspectives.

Goal

Communication, Critical Thinking, and Professionalism

- [EN 101 - ~English Composition I](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [EN 102 - ~English Composition II](#) 3 Credit Hours
- or
- [BU 205 - Communications in Business](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [SP 103 - ~Speech Fundamentals](#) 3 Credit Hours

Credit Hours: 9

Mathematical Literacy and Fluency, Critical Thinking, and Professionalism

- [MT 121 - ~College Mathematics for General Education](#) 3 Credit Hours
- or
- [MT 130 - ^College Algebra](#) 3 Credit Hours

Credit Hours: 3

Respect for Diversity, Critical Thinking, and Professionalism

- [AR 112 - ~Art Appreciation](#) 3 Credit Hours

or

- [MU 175 - ~Music Appreciation](#) 3 Credit Hours

or

- [TH 112 - ~Theatre Appreciation](#) 3 Credit Hours

Any three of the following:

- [HS 115 - World History to 1500](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [HS 120 - World History Since 1500](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [HS 230 - ~American History to 1865](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [HS 231 - ~American History Since 1865](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [PY 201 - ~General Psychology](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [PY 218 - ~Life-Span Developmental Psychology](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [RL 115 - Religions of the World](#) 3 Credit Hours
- [SO 200 - ~Introduction to Sociology \(M\)](#) 3 Credit Hours

Credit Hours: 12

Electives

Any college-level course(s) not already used to meet a program requirement.

Choose additional courses based upon your planned baccalaureate major in consultation with your faculty advisor and the catalog/transfer agreement for your intended transfer institution. Courses may be listed under multiple goals but may only be used once to satisfy graduation requirements.

Credit Hours: 6

Total Credit Hours: 30

~ Designates courses on the statewide Core Coursework Transfer Agreement.

^ Denotes course equivalency.
