Liberal Arts (Associate of Arts)

The Liberal Arts Associate of Arts degree is specifically for those students planning to transfer to a senior college/university, but it also provides a well-rounded, general educational background for self-fulfillment or employment in the workplace. The degree is designed to allow students to successfully complete foundational coursework while deciding on a major, with emphasis placed on the General Education courses required by most senior institutions. Students planning to transfer to another institution should discuss their plans with an advisor at BRCC and at the receiving institution to ensure maximum transferability of credits.

To receive this degree, the student must:
- have a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or better in all credit hours to be used towards the degree,
- earn a “C” or better in major courses, in ENGL 1013 and ENGL 1023, and in courses that are prerequisites for other courses;
- take at least 12 hours at the 2000 level; and
- complete the coursework listed below.

Program of Study. Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate will be able to:
1. Communicate in standard edited English, write and speak with clarity, coherence, and persuasiveness.
2. Recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, understand, and analyze a variety of texts and apply that learning to academic, personal, and professional contexts.
3. Think critically, independently, and creatively so that they can make ethical, informed and logical judgments of the arguments of others, arrive at reasoned and meaningful arguments and positions, and formulate and apply ideas to new contexts.
4. Recognize and understand cultural diversity and have a global perspective grounded in the understanding of international cultures, issues, and trends linking communities around the world.

PROGRAM OF STUDY

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¹2000 level
Any Gen-Ed. Humanities 3  
Gen-Ed. Natural Science (second in sequence) 3  
\[ \text{Third Semester} \quad \text{Credit Hours} \]
- Any Gen-Ed. ENGL Literature course 3  
- Liberal Arts Required Course \((\text{see below})\) 3  
- Liberal Arts Required Course \((\text{see below})\) 3  
- Liberal Arts Required Course \((\text{see below})\) 3  
- Any Gen-Ed. Natural Science (non-sequential) 3  
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\[ \text{Fourth Semester} \quad \text{Credit Hours} \]
- Liberal Arts Required Course \((\text{see below})\) 3  
- Liberal Arts Required Course \((\text{see below})\) 3  
- Any social science, humanities, or fine arts 3  
- Gen-Ed. Humanities 3  
- \text{Choose one:}  
  - SPCH 1013  Fundamentals of Communication 3  
  - SPCH 2013  Techniques of Speech 3  
  - SPCH 2213  Interpersonal Communication 3  
  - SPCH 2313  Communication for Business Professionals 3  
  - SPCH 2403  Performance of Literature 3  
\[ \text{15} \]

\text{Total Program Hours} 60

\text{Liberal Arts Required Courses}
- Any Arts (ARTS) course  
- Any English (ENGL) course  
- Any Film (FILM) course  
- Any Foreign Language (FREN/SPAN) course  
- Any History (HIST) course  
- Any Humanities (HUMN) course  
- Any Music (MUSC) course  
- Any Philosophy (PHIL) course  
- Any Speech (SPCH) course  
- Any Theatre (THTR) course  

\( ^1 \text{ECON 2113 may not be used with either ECON 2213 or ECON 2223.} \)

\( ^2 \text{A Natural Science sequence consists of two sequential courses in the same discipline (e.g., BIOL 1013 and 1023, PHSC 1023 and 1033, etc.). The first course in the sequence should be taken during one semester, and the second course in the sequence should be taken during the following semester. No lab is required.} \)

For more information, contact the Division of Liberal Arts at (225) 216-8165.