



Academic Programs

Degrees and Certificates

East Arkansas Community College offers the following degrees and certificates:

The Associate of Science Degree

Students may obtain an Associate of Science degree (A.S.) in Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences at EACC.

The 62-hour curriculum features a science-based transfer degree with enough latitude in coursework to allow students to major in a variety of fields.

The degree also includes five credit hours of orientation and introductory courses in agricultural, food and life sciences.

Students who follow the curriculum should be able to transfer all credits into the majors of their choice listed below.

Students who receive the associate of science degree in agricultural, food and life sciences may transfer to one of the Arkansas Consortium for Teaching Agriculture (ACTA) four-year institutions and choose from these bachelor of science degree programs to pursue:

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Dale Bumbers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences:

Agricultural Business
Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology
Animal Sciences
Apparel Studies
Biological and Agricultural Engineering
Crop Management
Environmental, Soil, and Water Science
Food, Human Nutrition and Hospitality
Food Science
Horticulture
Human Environmental Sciences
Human Development, Family Sciences & Rural Sociology
Interior Design
Pest Management
Poultry Science
Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Turf and Landscape Horticulture

University of Arkansas at Monticello Division of Agriculture

Agribusiness
Animal Science
Plant and Soil Science
General Agriculture

School of Forest Resources

Forestry
Wildlife Management

University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff School of Agriculture, Fisheries and Human Science

Agriculture
Fisheries Biology
Human Science
Regulatory Science

The Associate of Arts Degree (A.A.) is designed for those students wishing to complete the first two years of a baccalaureate degree at this institution. This degree will be flexible enough to provide students wishing to major in virtually any academic area the opportunity to complete the general education requirements needed for most work in the major which is offered at East Arkansas Community College.

The Associate of Applied Science Degree (A.A.S.) is a technical degree designed to prepare the student in a specific occupational area. Graduates normally enter directly into employment. EACC currently offers Associate of Applied Science degrees in the following areas:

A.A.S. Degrees:

Administrative Office Technology
Advanced Manufacturing Technology
Childcare
Criminal Justice
Emergency Medical Technology/Paramedic
Entrepreneurship
General Technology
Industrial Maintenance Technology
Management
Medical Assisting Technology
Nursing
Occupational Therapy Assistant (pending approval)
Radiologic Technology
Renewable Energy Technology

Cooperative Associate of Applied Science Degrees:

East Arkansas Community College and Crowley's Ridge Technical Institute have reached agreement on three cooperative A.A.S. degrees:

Administrative Office Technology
Drafting and Design
Child Care

All students in the cooperative degree programs will satisfy assessment and placement standards identical to all East Arkansas Community College students. Students who require remediation must complete the remedial courses designated by the College or retest at a college level or

above. Students must be admitted to both institutions using normal admissions procedures, and students should be able to register and take classes at both institutions each semester. General requirements for Associate of Applied Science and Academic Standards policies will be used. Students must follow EACC's guidelines relative to course load. General education courses will be sequential and integrated into the total program.

The College will accept no more than 42 hours from CRTI, and courses identified as capstone courses at EACC will not be accepted for transfer. East Arkansas Community College will be listed as the degree granting institution. Those planning to seek a cooperative A.A.S. degree should declare their degree major upon enrollment at CRTI. Students should verify the transferability of courses through both institutions.

The Arkansas Department of Higher Education has asked all institutions with A.A.S. degrees to print the following:

“The Associate of Applied Science Degree is designed for employment purposes, and it should not be assumed that the degree or the courses in the degree can be transferred to another institution. While some institutions do accept some courses in A.A.S. Programs, the general rule is that courses in A.A.S. Degrees are not accepted in transfer toward bachelors' degrees. Students to whom transfer is important should get assurances in writing in advance from the institution to which they wish to transfer.”

Technical Certificate

The Technical Certificate is a planned and coherent program of classroom and laboratory/shop work at the collegiate level. It recognizes the completion of a specified level of competency in an occupational field. The program of study may be part of an Associate of Applied Science curriculum or a stand-alone program. The curriculum requires a demonstration of competency in communications, (oral and written), mathematics, and other general education disciplines necessary to be successful in the field. The range of credit hours is 24 - 42 semester hours. Exceptions to this range will be allowed only when accrediting or approval agencies require additional semester hours.

Technical Certificates:

- Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Business Systems Networking Cisco
- Computer Information Systems
- Criminal Justice
- Drafting and Design
- Electronics
- Emergency Medical Technology/Paramedic
- Engineering Design Technology
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental/Health and Safety Technology
- General Studies

- Health Professions
- Industrial Maintenance Technology
- Industrial Supervision and Safety
- Internet Technology/Web Page Design
- Microcomputer Maintenance/Repair
- Microcomputer Systems Administration
- Office Technology

- Renewable Energy Technology
- Supervisory Leadership
- Word Processing/Desktop Publishing

Certificate of Proficiency

The Certificate of Proficiency is awarded to students who have demonstrated mastery of skills and knowledge against specified performance standards in a specific area or discipline. The award is granted for programs of less than one year or less (7 - 8 semester credit hours). The program of study may be part of other programs leading to the awarding of a Technical Certificate or Associate Degree. Only one Certificate of Proficiency should be awarded prior to completion of a Technical Certificate or Associate Degree.

Certificates of Proficiency

- Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Business Systems Networking Cisco
- Criminal Justice
- Electrical Maintenance Technology
- Environmental/Health and Safety Technology
- Emergency Medical Technology-Basic
- Hospitality
- Industrial Maintenance Technology
- Internet Technology/Web Page Design
- Leadership
- Lean Technology
- Lodging
- Medication Assistant
- Medical Professions Education
- Microcomputer Maintenance and Repair
- Microcomputer Systems Administration
- Renewable Energy Technology

Degree Requirements:

A student has the option of fulfilling the degree requirements listed in the catalog in use when he or she first enters the College, the “entry catalog,” or the catalog in use the semester he or she will graduate, the “graduation catalog,” with the following exceptions:

1. The “entry catalog” for students in a selective admissions program shall be the catalog in use when he or she first enters the program.
2. If the time span between “entry catalog” and “graduation catalog” exceeds five (5) years the “entry catalog” shall be the catalog in use at the time of earliest enrollment which does not exceed the five (5) year time span.

Instructional Programs

Degree Requirements, General – In order to earn a degree from East Arkansas Community College, the student must meet the following general degree requirements:

1. Complete at least 12 semester hours in residence at East Arkansas Community College.
2. Be enrolled at East Arkansas Community College during the semester in which degree requirements are completed with the exception that up to 12 semester hours may be transferred back from another institution.
3. Earn a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 out of a possible 4.0 for all courses submitted for graduation. No course will be counted more than once for graduation.
4. File a signed degree audit with the registrar.
5. Submit a formal application for graduation and participate in graduation exercises unless formally excused by the Vice President for Academic Affairs.
6. Satisfactorily settle all financial obligations.

I. Associate of Arts Degree

East Arkansas Community College offers the Associate of Arts degree for those students wishing to complete the first two years of a baccalaureate degree at this institution. This degree will be flexible enough to provide students wishing to major in virtually any academic area the opportunity to complete the general education requirements needed for work in their major which is offered at East Arkansas Community College.

1. Degree Requirements, Associate of Arts – The following degree requirements apply to East Arkansas Community College:
 - a. Satisfaction of all general degree requirements.
 - b. Completion of at least 15 semester hours of sophomore (2000 level) courses, at least six semester hours of which must have been completed at East Arkansas Community College.
 - c. Six semester hours of English Composition – ENG 1013 and ENG 1023, English Composition I and English Composition II.
 - d. Six semester hours of Literature selected from the following:
 - ENG 2073 World Literature I
 - ENG 2083 World Literature II
 - ENG 2093 Survey /African American Literature
 - ENG 2183 Western Literature I
 - ENG 2283 Western Literature II
 - ENG 2193 British Literature I
 - ENG 2293 British Literature II
 - ENG 2243 American Literature Before 1865
 - ENG 2253 American Literature Since 1865

Note-A student may select any two of the courses listed to fulfill the 6 hour literature requirement with the following exceptions:

- (1.) A student may not choose the combination of Western Literature I and World Literature I to meet the 6 hour requirement.
- (2.) A student may not choose the combination of Western Literature II and World Literature II to meet the 6 hour requirement.
- e. Three semester hours of Communication:
 - SPE 1003 Introduction to Oral Communication
- f. Three semester hours of Arts electives selected from the following:
 - ART 1003 Art Appreciation
 - MUS 1003 Music Appreciation
 - DRA 1003 Theatre Appreciation
- g. Three semester hours of College Algebra- MTH 1113 or MTH 1013 College Mathematics or a higher level mathematics course.
- h. Four semester hours of a biological science course which includes a laboratory.
- i. Four semester hours of a physical science course which includes a laboratory.
- j. Three semester hours of Western Civilization (HIS 1013 or HIS 1023).
- k. Three semester hours of Social Science electives selected from the following courses:
 - HIS 2033 U.S. History Before 1865
 - HIS 2043 U.S. History Since 1865
 - PSC 2003 American Government
- l. Nine semester hours selected from the following courses:
 - PSY 1003 General Psychology
 - SSC 1003 Introduction to Social Science
 - SOC 1013 Introduction to Sociology
 - SOC 2003 Social Problems
 - HIS 2033 U.S. History Before 1865
 - HIS 2043 U.S. History Since 1865
 - SOC 2043 Introduction to Anthropology
 - SSC 2013 Social Science Seminar
 - PSC 2003 American Government
 - BUS 2213 Principles of Macroeconomics
 - HIS 1013 Western Civilization I
 - HIS 1023 Western Civilization II

No more than 6 hours of history will count toward satisfying the social science requirements and no more than 3 hours of economics will count toward satisfying the social science requirements.

- m. Two semester hours of HPR courses to be selected from the following:
 - HPR 1732 Concepts of Physical Activity or 2 semester hours of HPR Activity classes.
- n. Three semester hours of basic computer skills:
 - BUS 1603 Computer Fundamentals.
- o. Elective to complete 64 semester hours.
 - MTH 1053 Intermediate Algebra WILL NOT count as an elective.*

II. Associate of Arts Degree in Teaching

(60-64 Semester Hours):

The Associate of Arts Degree in Teaching is a transfer degree offered by EACC and other two-year colleges in Arkansas. This program has been developed with four-year teacher education programs and with the State's two-year institutions. The curriculum below outlines the AAT requirements for transfer to Arkansas four-year institutions as approved by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

Degree Requirements:

The following degree requirements apply.

- A. Have a cumulative GPA of 2.65.
- B. Passing score on the Praxis I exam which is required for initial teaching certification in the State of Arkansas.
- C. General Education Requirements: (35 hrs)

English/Communications	(9 hours)
ENG 1013 English Composition I	
ENG 1023 English Composition II	
SPE 1003 Speech (Oral Communications)	
Mathematics	(3 hours)
MTH 1113 College Algebra	
Lab Science	(8 hours)
Biology with Lab	
PHS 1214 Intro to Physical Science with Lab	
Fine Arts/Humanities	(6 hours)
ART 1003 Art Appreciation or	
MUS 1003 Music Appreciation or	
DRA 1003 Theatre Appreciation	
ENG 2073 or ENG 2083 World Literature I or II	
Social Sciences	(9 hours)
PSC 2003 American Government	
HIS 1013 or HIS 2043 World Civilization I or II	
HIS 2033 or HIS 2043 US History	

D. Education Core Requirements	(12 hours)
EDN 2053 Introduction to Education	
EDN 2193 K-12 Educational Technology	
MTH 2403 Math I	
MTH 2423 Math II	

E. Required Electives	(6 hours)
HIS 2053 Arkansas History	
PSY 1003 Introduction to Psychology	

F. Teaching Levels	
1. Middle School Requirements	(7-11 hours)

Option 1 – Math/Science Specialty

MTH 1123 College Trig or	
MTH1224 Pre-Calculus or	
MTH 2114 Survey of Calculus or higher level	
Physical Geography or Geology or Earth System with	
Lab	
Directed Elective	(0-3 hours)

-or-

Option 2-Language Arts/Social Studies Specialty

ENG 2243 or ENG 2253 American Literature	
GRY 1003 World Geography	
Directed Elective	(1-3 hours)

2. P-4 Requirements	(7-10 hours)
GRY 1003 World Geography	
EDN 2083 Child Growth and Development	
HPR Activity	(1 hour)
Directed Elective	(0-3 hours)

III. Associate of Science in Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences

The Associate of Science in Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences is comprised of the following courses which contribute directly to related bachelor of science degrees:

Degree Requirements:	Hours
a. English Composition	6
b. Speech/Oral Communications	3
c. Humanities	6-7
d. Social and Behavioral Sciences	6
e. U.S. History	3
f. Lab Sciences	8-16
g. College Algebra (or course a sophisticated as) or higher level math	3
k. Careers in Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences	5
l. Coursework related to student's intended major or to college specific requirements	14-22 semester hrs
Total Hours.....	62-68

IV. The Associate of Applied Science Degree

is a technical degree designed to prepare the student in a specific occupational area. Graduates normally enter directly into employment. Requirements for each AAS degree can be found in the college catalog under the appropriate academic department.

V. Certificate in General Studies

The Certificate of General Studies, modeled after the majority of courses listed in the *State Minimum Core*, is a one-year award designed :

- To provide recognition of the completion of a body of knowledge in general education
- To serve as a intermediate step toward an Associate of Arts degree; and/or to recognize as a "completer" a student who has successfully completed a significant number of courses in general education but does not intend to complete an Associate of Arts degree.
- To establish a measurable means of documenting student mastery of many of the competencies identified in the SCANS report (Secretary's Commission of Achieving Necessary Skills, 1991)

Requirements for Certificate in General Studies:

- a. 6 semester hours selected from the following:
ENG 1013 English Composition I and
ENG 1023 English Composition II
- b. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
SPE 1003 Introduction to Oral Communication
- c. 4 semester hours selected from the following:
BIO 1014 General Biology with Lab
BIO 1514 General Zoology with Lab
BIO 2114 Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab
BIO 2134 Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab
BIO 2504 Microbiology with Lab
BIO 2614 Environmental Science with Lab
PHS 1214 Physical Science with Lab
PHY 2114 General Physics I with Lab
CHE 1024 General Education Chemistry with Lab
CHE 1214 College Chemistry I with Lab
- d. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
MTH 1113 College Algebra
MTH 1013 College Mathematics or higher level mathematics course
- e. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
BUS 1603 Computer Fundamentals
- f. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
HIS 2033 U.S. History Before 1865
HIS 2043 U.S. History Since 1865
PSC 2003 American Government
- g. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
PSY 1003 General Psychology
SOC 1013 Introduction to Sociology
- h. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
PSY 1003 General Psychology
SSC 1003 Introduction to Social Science
SOC 1013 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 2003 Social Problems
HIS 2033 U.S. History Before 1865
HIS 2043 U.S. History Since 1865
Introduction to Anthropology
SSC 2013 Social Science Seminar
PSC 2003 American Government
BUS 2213 Principles of Macroeconomics
HIS 1013 Western Civilization I
HIS 1023 Western Civilization II
- i. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
ART 1003 Art Appreciation
MUS 1003 Music Appreciation
DRA 1003 Theater Appreciation
- j. 3 semester hours selected from the following:
ENG 2073 World Literature I
ENG 2083 World Literature II
ENG 2093 Survey of African American Literature
ENG 2193 British Literature
ENG 2243 American Literature Before 1865
ENG 2253 American Literature Since 1865

Total Hours.....37-38

Note: For the Science option, a student must select one additional science course with lab from the list above (follows letter c). For the Humanities option, a student must select one additional humanities course from the list above (follows letter j). If the Science option is selected, the student must select one 4 semester hour biological course and one 4 semester hour physical science course.

Transferability of Courses

Statewide Articulation Agreement

Arkansas Act 98 of 1989 provides that the State Board of Higher Education “shall establish in consultation with the colleges and universities a minimum core of courses which shall apply toward the general education core curriculum requirements for baccalaureate degrees at state supported institutions of higher education and which shall be fully transferable between state institutions.”

State Minimum Core Curricula

1. The A.A. degree must include the following courses:

English Composition.....	6 Hours
Fine Arts/Humanities.....	6 Hours
(including 3 hours survey of literature-must be broad survey courses)	
Speech.....	3 Hours
College Algebra (or course as sophisticated as College Algebra).....	3 Hours
Laboratory Science.....	8 Hours
Social Sciences.....	9 Hours
(Including 3 hours in U.S. History or Government and 3 hours in Western Civilization)	
Total Hours.....	35

The Arkansas Course Transfer System

(ACTS) contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. Students are guaranteed the transfer of applicable credits and the equitable treatment in the application of credits for the admissions and degree requirements. Course transferability is not guaranteed for courses listed in ACTS as “No Comparable Course.” Additionally, courses with a “D” frequently do not transfer and institutional policies may vary. ACTS may be accessed on the Internet by going to the ADHE website and selecting Course Transfer (www.adhe.edu).

Arkansas Assessment of General Education

Act 874 of 1993 of the Arkansas Legislature requires testing of public college/university sophomores who plan to pursue baccalaureate degrees. EACC students working toward an A.A. or A.S. degree or planning to transfer to a four-year school before graduating must be tested no earlier than the accumulation of 45 college-level credits (excluding developmental education) and preferably no later than completing 60 hours. Failure to complete this testing requirement will interrupt graduation plans and/or

enrollment at the transfer institution. Schools are required to include a statement on the student's transcript that he/she has completed the A.A.G.E.

EACC- Arkansas State University Degree Center, and Partnership

In cooperation with EACC, Arkansas State University has established a degree center at the Forrest City campus. ASU has received state approval for three four-year degree programs at EACC — Business Administration, Criminology, and Early Childhood Education. A graduate degree in Educational Leadership is also available. Students who satisfactorily complete all of the required courses offered by ASU-Jonesboro through the Forrest City site and who meet all other program requirements for graduation will earn the appropriate degree from Arkansas State University.

Only students who have been officially admitted to ASU may enroll in degree center courses. Additional junior, senior and graduate courses will be offered at EACC as the need arises. An ASU representative is located on the EACC campus in the Administration Building. The phone number is 633-3754.

ASU/EACC Transfer Agreement

ASU and EACC also participate in a comprehensive transfer agreement. Students transferring with Associate of Arts degrees from EACC will have satisfied Arkansas State University's General Education Core and will be admitted with junior classification with all college level credits accepted. However, specific ASU degree requirements must be met for a Bachelor's degree, i.e., certain degrees may require a "C" or higher for major or other specific courses.