

Board of Governors Associate in Applied Science

Overview:

The Board of Governors Associate in Applied Science Degree Program is a nontraditional degree completion opportunity at the associate degree level specifically devised for adult learners to meet occupational goals or employment requirements, establish professional credentials, or achieve personal goals. The degree program provides the opportunity for adult learners to utilize credit for prior learning experiences via licenses, certificates, military credit, and other non-collegiate sources while assuring maximum credit transferability. The Board of Governors Associate in Applied Science Degree Program is designed to articulate with the Board of Regents Bachelor of Arts Degree.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the Board of Governors A.A.S degree, graduates will be able to:

- Apply effective written and oral communication skills
- Work collaboratively in groups
- Think critically and solve problems
- Demonstrate practical application of quantitative and scientific reasoning skills
- Demonstrate analysis and evaluation of skill competencies derived from multiple sources including work, volunteer activities, hobbies etc.
- Demonstrate understanding of principles of good citizenship
- Develop long range vocational or transfer goals
- Demonstrate basic computer literacy and use of computerized communication technology
- Examine issues from a global perspective
- Demonstrate mastery of interdisciplinary competencies as defined in the students educational plan

Communications – 6 credits (3 credits of English 101 or equivalent):

English 101, 102, 120*, 160*, 204*
Business Studies, 230*
Communications 100

Mathematics/Sciences – 6 credits (3 credits of Math 100 or higher)

Math 100, 101, 102, 121
Business Studies 104
Biology 101, 102, 210
Chemistry 100, 101*, 105 & 107, 106 & 108
Physics 103, 110, 120, 170, 191*, 201* & 203*

Social Sciences/Humanities – 6 credits

Allied Health 120*, 209*
Psychology 151, 207*
Sociology 101, 206*, 208*, 212*, 270*
Geography 200*, 201*, 202*
Political Science 100, 101, 204*
History 201, 202, 207, 208, 209*
Economics 201*, 202*
Humanities 101*

Computer Literacy - 3 credits

Computer Science 106
Business Studies 240

* These courses are not currently in the West Virginia State University Baccalaureate general education core, but they are accepted for credit.

General Electives – 39 credits

Credit hour requirements may be met through a variety of means such as:

- Traditional Coursework
- Work and life experiences (Portfolio Assessment fee of \$300 plus a \$10 per credit posting fee payable when portfolio is submitted)
- Standardized exams
- Institutional challenge exams



- Military Training
 - Evaluation of non-collegiate sponsored instruction
- General Electives include: Optional area of emphasis

BST 190 – Portfolio Development course(required of students submitting a portfolio for assessment of credit for prior learning) and BST 298 – Business Studies Seminar, a required 1 credit capstone course.

Note: A \$300 evaluation fee plus a \$10 per credit posting fee is charged for portfolio evaluation/assessment. Evaluation Fee is payable when the portfolio is submitted and posting fee charged after portfolio evaluation.

Residency Requirements

Twelve credit hours from a regionally accredited higher education institution. **A minimum of 3 credits from WVSTC are required (to include 1 credit capstone course – BST 298)**

Admission Requirements

Students are eligible for admission to the program two years after graduation from high school. In case of those passing a high school equivalency examination, admission must be two years after their high school class has graduated.

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