

LIBERAL STUDIES



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PROGRAM PURPOSE

Liberal Studies is an associate in arts degree designed for students whose educational goal is to transfer to another institution to earn a bachelor's degree or for students who are exploring their educational or career goals. This flexible degree program is designed to help students complete their general education core requirements before continuing their education at an institution which offers a bachelor's degree or in preparation for declaring a major for one of NMCC's technical or occupational degree programs.

Liberal Studies graduates may take advantage of an agreement between the Maine Community College System and the University of Maine System to transfer to one of Maine's public universities. Under the agreement, students can complete up to 35 credits of their general education requirements and transfer that block of credits, for full credit, to any of the other institutions within the two systems.

Graduates of the Liberal Studies program will gain a strong foundation in the traditional disciplines of the liberal arts (math, science, social science and humanities). Through this carefully designed program, students will gain the knowledge, skills, and values that are essential for work and a lifetime of learning.

The earning power of college graduates is significantly greater than of those who do not complete a two or four year program.

OPPORTUNITIES

The associate in arts degree option serves as a springboard for those who wish to continue their education and earn their bachelor's degree. The "2 years here" plus "2 years there" formula allows NMCC graduates the opportunity to accrue far less debt than their peers.

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APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The following procedures constitute the admissions process:

1. Submit an NMCC application along with a \$20 application fee.
2. Submit official high school transcript and/or HiSET/GED scores (current senior's transcript should include completed ranking period grades).
3. Official college transcripts for applicants who have attended other post-secondary schools.
4. If SAT scores are not available, placement testing may be required.
5. Individual interview required.
6. A campus tour is highly recommended.

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Questions? Contact admissions@nmcc.edu

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2021-2022 Curriculum

Associate in Arts Degree Program

<u>First Semester</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>Third Semester</u>	<u>CR</u>
COL 103* College Success	1	◆Writing Elective (Recommend: ENG 227)	3
◆ENG 111 English Composition	3	◆Science Elective w/ Lab Elective	4
◆Social Science Elective	3		<u>9-10</u>
◆Humanities Elective	3		16-17
◆Diversity Elective (PHI 206 or HIS 206)	3		
	<u>12-13</u>	<u>Fourth Semester</u>	<u>CR</u>
<u>Second Semester</u>	<u>CR</u>	◆Ethical Reasoning Elective (Recommend: PHI 201) Elective	3
◆Humanities-ENG 226 Intro to Literature	3		<u>13</u>
◆Creative Arts Elective (Art 101, 201, or ENG 239)	3		16
◆Social Science Elective	3	<u>MINIMUM TOTAL REQUIRED</u>	60
◆MAT 116 Quantitative Reasoning or higher Elective	3		
	<u>3</u>		
	15		

A minimum of 21 credits must be completed at the 200 level.

◆ *Major courses; a minimum grade of "C" or 2.0 required.*

Key: CR= Credit Hours

*University of Maine System General Education
Core requirements in bold.*

**Not required if student has completed 15 credits
with a "C" or better.*

Students are advised to select courses that provide a depth of knowledge when fulfilling the various program requirements.

Prerequisites must be considered in order to assure access to appropriate upper level courses. Students wishing to continue their education in a baccalaureate program should work with their academic advisor to select courses that ensure optimum transfer of credits.

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