

Sample Education Plan Associate in Arts (AA)

Area of Focus: Business (for baccalaureate majors such as accounting, business administration, finance, management, marketing)



Please note that the AA degree is not awarded in a specific major or focus area.

This is a SAMPLE plan to help guide you toward courses relevant to your interests while you are deciding on a transfer institution. Suggested courses are based on requirements of several four-year institutions and recommendations by the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) Business Panel. Please note that requirements vary among four-year colleges and universities. It is important to check early with your transfer school and academic advisor to ensure you are taking appropriate courses and meeting all requirements. You will find transfer guides for specific universities on MCC's website:

www.mchenry.edu/transfer.

AA Degree Requirements: Area of Focus—Business (for baccalaureate majors such as accounting, business administration, finance, management, marketing)

Students are encouraged to complete an AA degree prior to transfer. A minimum of 60 credits is required for transfer as a junior into a bachelor's degree business program.

Please refer to MCC's AA degree planning sheet in the current academic catalog for specific degree requirements and course options.

Suggested Courses

| GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM | CREDITS | OTHER COURSE REQUIREMENTS | CREDITS |
|---------------------------------------|---------|--|-----------|
| Communications | | Diversity and Multicultural Studies | |
| ^ENG 151 Composition I | 3 | Two 3-credit hour courses are required. Courses that fulfill this requirement may be used to fulfill credits in Humanities/Fine Arts, Social/Behavioral Sciences, or Electives. See current catalog for complete list of Diversity & Multicultural Studies course options and how they apply toward degree requirements. | |
| ^ENG 152 Composition II | 3 | | |
| SPE 151 Introduction to Speech | 3 | | |
| Humanities and Fine Arts | | Electives (approximately 23 credits, will depend on credit value of your required course selections) | |
| PHI 251 Ethics | 3 | Recommended Courses (select with your advisor): | |
| IAI Fine Arts | 3 | ACC 151 Financial Accounting | 3 |
| IAI Humanities or Fine Arts | 3 | ^ACC 152 Management Accounting | 3 |
| Social and Behavioral Sciences | | ^MAT 161 or 165 College Algebra or College Algebra & Trigonometry | 3-5 |
| ECO 251 Microeconomics | 3 | ^MAT 171 or MAT 175 Calculus for Business/Social Science or Calculus w/Analytic Geometry I | 4-5 |
| ^ECO 252 Macroeconomics | 3 | BUS 150 Introduction to Business | 3 |
| PSY 151 Introduction to Psychology | 3 | BUS 241 Legal Environment | 3 |
| ^Physical and Life Sciences | | CDM 110 Computer Literacy | 3 |
| IAI Physical Science | 3-4 | Foreign Language | 0-16 |
| IAI Life Science | 3-4 | Examples of other courses that may satisfy requirements at your transfer school: | |
| ^Mathematics | | ^MAT 170 or ^MAT 245 | |
| MAT 220 Statistics | 3 | Total Credits Required for AA Degree | 60 |
| | | Many 4-year schools will accept a maximum of 60-64 transfer credits. | |

^Course has prerequisite(s)—Please reference the current academic catalog for prerequisites.

NOTE:

- **Mathematics course selection will depend on your transfer school requirements. Requirements vary among four-year schools.**
 - o Prerequisites—MAT 161 is the prerequisite for MAT 170, 171, and 220. MAT 165 will satisfy the prerequisite for MAT 170, 171, 220, 175, and 245.
 - o A two semester math sequence is required by most transfer schools: MAT 175 and MAT 245 or MAT 171 and MAT 170. Meet with an academic advisor to discuss options.
- Your transfer school may require at least 1 year of foreign language. High school foreign language may or may not count. It is always recommended that the foreign language requirement be completed prior to transfer.
- The AA degree includes the IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) package. Meet with an MCC academic advisor to learn more about the IAI GECC and transfer benefits.

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Transfer Notes

Business related majors or specializations are in a variety of areas. A few examples include accounting, business administration, finance, management, and marketing. The degree most often granted is the Bachelor of Science (BS). All students should work closely with an MCC academic advisor for guidance toward the appropriate academic plan.

Admission requirements vary among four-year schools. Some require competency through the second, third, or fourth semester of a single foreign language as an admission or a graduation requirement. Ask about the language requirement of the schools you are considering, and complete the required foreign language courses before transfer. In some cases, two years of foreign language study in high school will substitute for two semesters in college. Admission and specific course requirements vary among four-year institutions.

MCC also offers the Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Business Management. The AAS is designed to provide skills and knowledge in a specific field to prepare students for immediate employment or to upgrade current employment status, not for transfer to a four-year school. Though the AAS degree is designed for immediate employment, MCC has partnership agreements with specific four-year schools that provide transfer opportunities.

Transfer Schools

Many schools have business-related majors. Following are a sample of Illinois public and private four-year institutions that offer business programs:

- Augustana College
- Aurora University
- Benedictine University
- Bradley University
- Concordia University
- DePaul University
- Dominican University
- Eastern Illinois University
- Elmhurst College
- Governors State University
- Illinois State University
- Illinois Wesleyan
- Judson University
- Lewis University
- Loyola University
- Millikin University
- Monmouth College
- North Central College
- North Park University
- Northeastern Illinois University
- Northern Illinois University
- Olivet Nazarene University
- Rockford University
- Roosevelt University
- Southern Illinois University at Carbondale
- Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- University of Illinois at Springfield
- University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign
- Western Illinois University

Transfer Resources

www.itransfer.org—iTransfer is a portal for transfer assistance in the state of Illinois. Find information about the Illinois Articulation Initiative and MyCreditsTransfer (Transferology—a nationwide transfer tool).

www.mchenry.edu/transfer—Find transfer guides, course equivalencies, partnership agreements, and other transfer resources.