

# Curriculum Standard: Associate in Fine Arts Degree Program (A10200)

The Associate in Fine Arts degree shall be granted for planned programs of study consisting of a minimum of 64 and a maximum of 65 semester hours of approved college transfer courses. (Ref. 23 NCAC 2E.0204) Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and the basic use of computers.

Courses are approved for transfer through the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement. Community college graduates who have earned 64 semester hours of academic credit in approved transfer courses with a grade of "C" or better in each course and an overall GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale will receive at least 64 semester hours of academic credit upon admission to a university.

Courses may also transfer through bilateral agreements between institutions. Courses offered through bilateral agreements may not transfer to all receiving institutions.

**GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (28 SHC)\*** The general education core includes study in the areas of humanities and fine arts, social and behavioral sciences, natural sciences and mathematics, and English composition.

**English Composition (6 SHC)**

**Humanities/Fine Arts (6 SHC\*\*)**

Select **two** courses from **two** of the following discipline areas: music, art, drama, dance, foreign languages, interdisciplinary humanities, literature, philosophy, and religion. One course must be a literature course.

**Social/Behavioral Sciences (9 SHC)**

Select **three** courses from three of the following discipline areas: anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology. One course must be a history course.

**Natural Sciences/Mathematics (7 SHC)**

*Natural Sciences (4 SHC):*

Select **one** course, including accompanying laboratory work, from among the biological and physical science disciplines.

*Mathematics (3 SHC):*

Select **one** course in introductory mathematics (college algebra, trigonometry, calculus, etc).

**OTHER REQUIRED HOURS (36-37 SHC)\*** One semester hour of credit may be included

in a sixty-five semester hour credit associate in fine arts program. The transfer of the 65<sup>th</sup> hour is not guaranteed.

**Major Core:** Major course requirements will be determined on a program-by-program basis by articulation agreements developed under the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement, whenever possible and appropriate for transfer to the University of North Carolina constituent institutions.

**Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC) in Program: 64-65**

**\*Students must meet the receiving university's foreign language and/or health and physical education requirements, if applicable, prior to or after transfer to the senior institution.**

**\*\*3 SHC in Speech/Communication may be substituted for 3 SHC in Humanities/Fine Arts. Speech/Communication may not substitute for the literature requirement. SBCC approved 6/20/97**