

**Associate of Arts/Associate of Science Degree Requirements**

The Associate of Arts (AA) and Associate of Science (AS) degrees at NWCCD are primarily designed to prepare students for transfer to baccalaureate degree programs. The general education requirements necessitate coursework in diverse areas that enrich students’ understanding of the world, the importance of computation and critical analysis, and the value of knowledge. Both degrees are offered for multiple areas of study and provide students an opportunity to explore deeply within a particular domain in order to attain preliminary mastery within their chosen discipline. Students completing an AA or AS degree at NWCCD are accepted with junior-level standing as transfers at partnering baccalaureate degree-granting institutions.

**Institutional Requirements:**

1. Complete a minimum of 60 credit hours at 1000-level and above.
2. Complete a minimum of 15 credit hours at NWCCD.
3. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in 1000-level classes and above.

|  | Required Credit<br>Hours |
|--|--------------------------|
| COMMUNICATION – Must earn a grade of “C” or better     |                          |
| Basic Writing  | 3                        |
| Advanced Writing                                       | 3                        |
| MATHEMATICS – Must earn a grade of “C” or better       | 3                        |
| CULTURAL STUDIES                                       | 6                        |
| Global Diversity                                       |                          |
| Humanities   |                          |
| Social & Behavioral Sciences                           | (must be selected        |
| Visual & Performing Arts                               | from 2                   |
| Foreign Language                                       | different areas)         |
| SCIENCE  | 4                        |
| US & WY CONSTITUTIONS                                  | 3                        |
| GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE OF CHOICE OUTSIDE THE PROGRAM | 3                        |
| TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS                        | 25                       |
| PROGRAM CREDITS  | 35                       |
| TOTAL CREDITS FOR AN AA OR AS DEGREE                   | 60                       |

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**Associate of Fine Arts Degree Requirements**

The Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) degree at Sheridan College for music and the visual arts is designed to prepare students in these disciplines for transfer into an upper division Bachelor of Fine Arts or Bachelor of Arts degree program. Degree requirements necessitate coursework in many different areas to enable students to understand and appreciate his/her culture and environment. Students completing the Associate of Fine Arts are accepted with junior-level standing as transfers at a partnering baccalaureate degree-granting institution.

**Institutional Requirements:**

1. Complete a minimum of 60 credit hours at 1000-level and above.
2. Complete a minimum of 15 credit hours at NWCCD.
3. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in 1000-level classes and above.

|  | Required Credit<br>Hours |
|--|--------------------------|
| COMMUNICATION – Must earn a grade of “C” or better |                          |
| Basic Writing                                      | 3                        |
| Advanced Writing                                   | 3                        |
| MATHEMATICS – Must earn a grade of “C” or better   | 3                        |
| CULTURAL STUDIES                                   | 9                        |
| Global Diversity                                   |                          |
| Humanities   |                          |
| Social & Behavioral Sciences                       |                          |
| Visual & Performing Arts                           |                          |
| Foreign Language                                   |                          |
| SCIENCE  | 4                        |
| US & WY CONSTITUTIONS                              | 3                        |
| TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS                    | 25                       |
| PROGRAM CREDITS                                    | 35                       |
| TOTAL CREDITS FOR AN AFA DEGREE                    | 60                       |

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**Associate Degree in Nursing Requirements**

The Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) at NWCCD is designed to prepare nursing students for entry into the workforce or transfer into an upper division program for a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing (BSN). Students completing the Associate Degree in Nursing are eligible for licensure as a registered nurse and are accepted as transfers at a partnering baccalaureate degree-granting institution.

**Institutional Requirements:**

1. Complete a minimum of 60 credit hours at 1000-level and above.
2. Complete a minimum of 15 credit hours at NWCCD.
3. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in 1000-level classes and above.

|  | Required Credit<br>Hours |
|--|--------------------------|
| COMMUNICATION – Must earn a grade of “C” or better |                          |
| Basic Writing                                      | 3                        |
| Advanced Writing                                   | 3                        |
| MATHEMATICS – Must earn a grade of “C” or better   | 4                        |
| CULTURAL STUDIES                                   | 4                        |
| Global Diversity                                   |                          |
| Humanities   |                          |
| Social & Behavioral Sciences                       |                          |
| Visual & Performing Arts                           |                          |
| Foreign Language                                   |                          |
| SCIENCE  | 12                       |
| US & WY CONSTITUTIONS                              | 3                        |
| TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS                    | 29                       |
| PROGRAM CREDITS                                    | 39                       |
| TOTAL CREDITS FOR AN ADN                           | 68                       |

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**Associate of Applied Science Degree Requirements**

The Associate of Applied Science degree at NWCCD is designed to lead students directly to employment in a specific career field. The degree also allows the opportunity for further academic study. Where appropriate, the Associate of Applied Science programs are designed to lead directly to certification and/or licensure.

**Institutional Requirements:**

1. Complete a minimum of 60 credit hours at 1000-level and above.
2. Complete a minimum of 15 credit hours at NWCCD.
3. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in 1000-level classes and above.

|  | Required Credit<br>Hours |
|--|--------------------------|
| COMMUNICATION – Must earn a grade of “C” or better<br>Basic Writing  | 3                        |
| MATHEMATICS – Must earn a grade of “C” or better   | 3                        |
| CULTURAL STUDIES<br>Global Diversity<br>Humanities<br>Social & Behavioral Sciences<br>Visual & Performing Arts<br>Foreign Language | 3                        |
| US & WY CONSTITUTIONS  | 3                        |
| GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE OF CHOICE OUTSIDE THE<br>PROGRAM  | 3                        |
| TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS  | 15                       |
| PROGRAM CREDITS  | 45                       |
| TOTAL CREDITS FOR AN AAS DEGREE  | 60                       |

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*Policy 6010: Degrees and Certificates*  
**Procedure 6010.05**

### **Certificate of Completion Requirements**

The Certificate of Completion is designed to lead directly to entry-level employment in a specific job category or set of related categories. Coursework required for a Certificate varies from program to program.

To qualify for a Certificate of Completion, the student must:

1. Complete all requirements included in the approved Certificate program leading to occupational competencies.
2. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 ("C") or better in classes at the 1000-level or above.
3. Complete at least half of credits at NWCCD.