Associate in Arts (AA) and Associate in Science (AS) (Transfer Degrees)

Thank you for your interest in the **Associate in Arts or Associate in Science Transfer Degree**.

This degree is offered by all of the KCTCS community colleges. One of these colleges must be designated as your Home College. Even though the classes will be delivered by different KCTCS colleges, only the Home College will admit you and take care of all of your student service needs including advising, library services, billing, financial aid, etc.

You may request KCTCS classes online at www.kyvu.org or you may register directly at any KCTCS college. Your request for classes through KYVU will go to the college you designate as Home College and the Registrar at the Home College will enroll you for classes once all admission requirements have been met. The entire degree may be completed online.

The **Associate Degree** is a 60-credit-hour degree designed to use as a transfer degree. In other words, students who wish to complete a four-year bachelor's degree would first complete the two-year Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree. The Associate Degree contains the 48 hours of general education courses required by any college in Kentucky that awards the bachelor's degree. The Core Transfer enables you to complete the two-year Associate degree while at the same time taking classes that will count toward your bachelor's degree. In actuality, you are getting a head start working on your bachelor's degree.

With an **Associate in Arts or Associate in Science** (**Transfer**), you may transfer this degree to any of the public Kentucky colleges listed below and apply this degree toward the bachelor's degree: Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, and Western Kentucky University. Academic policies may vary among some of these colleges. Once you know where you will transfer, you will want to contact the Counselor at your Home College for additional information.

The next page lists a program guide for you to follow if you wish to earn an **Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree (Transfer).** You may want to print this and use as a "check-off" sheet as you complete courses. There may be additional online classes that meet these requirements. Please check the current course catalog and online class schedule for additional information and offerings. If you have any questions about the degree or the requirements, please contact the Counselor at your Home College.

Helpful links:
http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/Courses.htm
http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/collegeContacts.htm
http://www.kctcs.edu/distancelearning/bookstore.htm

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Core Transfer Component:	**AA**	**AS**
Writing/Accessing Information	6	6
ENG 105 fulfills the Writing/Accessing Information competencies for students who qualify for admission by ACT score and special examination.		
Oral Communication	3	3
Heritage/Humanities	6	6
Completion of at least one course in Humanities and one course in Heritage is a graduation requirement for both the Associate in Arts and the Associate in Science degrees.		
Social Interaction	9	9
At least two disciplines must be represented in this area and these must be different from those in the Heritage/Humanities/Foreign Language area.		
Science	6	6
The AA and AS degrees must include at least one science course with a laboratory experience.		
Mathematics	3	3
The course used to fulfill this competency must be College Algebra or a high level MA course (this excludes all MAH courses and MA 108 and excludes MT 107 for the AS only).		
Subtotal Core Transfer Component	**33**	**33**

NOTE: The Core Transfer Component will total 33 hours unless ENG 105 replaces ENG 101/102

Additional General Education Requirements (beyond core):	**AA**	**AS**
Heritage/Humanities	3	-
Heritage/Humanities or Social Interaction	3	-
Science or Mathematics	3	9
Any MA or STA course can be used to satisfy this Mathematics requirement. (This excludes all MAH Courses and MA 108 and excludes MT 107 for the AS only). The Associate in Science degree must include at least 4 credit hours in MA or STA courses.		
Computer Literacy	3	3
Course(s) to be chosen from the areas in the Core	3	3
Subtotal Additional General Education Requirements	15	15
Total General Education Block	**48**	**48**

Other Degree Requirements:

Electives	12	12
Students are advised to choose hours to satisfy additional general education and pre major requirements at the institution to which they are transferring. Students who complete ENG 105 to satisfy the Writing/Accessing Information competencies must complete 15 hours of electives.		
Total Credit Hours	**60**	**60**

Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees are awarded to Students who complete a minimum of 60 hours, including the specified general education requirements, with a grade-point average of at least 2.0 (C).

A course used to fulfill one competency cannot be used to fulfill another competency. Developmental/remedial courses (courses numbered 001-099) cannot be used to satisfy graduation requirements.