

## General Education for Associate Degrees

Lake Land College is a participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI), a statewide agreement that allows transfer of the Illinois General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) between participating institutions. Completion of the GECC at any participating college in Illinois assures transferring students that lower-division general education requirements for an associate or bachelor's degree have been satisfied.

Students who complete the IAI GECC as noted below may request to have the General Education Core Curriculum Credential noted on their Lake Land College transcript. Specific courses that apply to each category are identified in the Lake Land College catalog.

### **General Education Core Curriculum (GECC)**

CATEGORY	REQUIREMENT
Communications IAI (C)	3 courses (9 semester hours)
Mathematics IAI (M)	1 course (3 semester hours)
Physical and Life Sciences (IAI P, IAI L)	2 courses (7 to 8 semester hours)
Humanities and Fine Arts (IAI H, IAI F, IAI HF)	3 courses (9 semester hours)
Social and Behavioral Sciences (IAI S)	3 courses (9 semester hours)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37-38 semester hours</b>

**Associate in Arts Degree (AA)**

The General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) is fully incorporated into the Associate in Arts degree as defined by the IAI.

**Associate in Science Degree (AS)**

The AS degree, designed specifically for select science, technology, engineering and mathematics majors, includes a modified general education core as defined by the IAI. Students who complete the AS degree may complete an additional six (6) hours of IAI GECC courses (one course in Humanities and Fine Arts and one course in Social and Behavioral Sciences) at Lake Land or following transfer to the four-year university to meet the GECC requirements.

**Associate in Engineering Science Degree (AES)**

The AES degree is highly structured to require extensive, sequential mathematics and science courses required for study in Engineering. This degree includes a reduced general education core as defined by the IAI. Students who complete the AES degree may complete the GECC following transfer to the four-year university or meet the university’s lower-division general education requirements.

**Associate in Applied Science**

The AAS degree is highly structured to prepare individuals for employment in a specific field. General education requirements for this degree include the following. Specific courses that meet general education for each AAS degree are identified in the Lake Land College catalog.

CATEGORY	REQUIREMENT
Communication	3 credit hours
Mathematics or Physical and Life Sciences	3 credit hours
Humanities and Fine Arts or Social and Behavioral Sciences	3 credit hours
Additional hours selected from two different categories listed above or any course with the prefix: HED, PED, REC, SFS	6 credit hours

TOTAL 15 credit hours

**Associate in Liberal Studies**

The ALS degree provides a unique opportunity to develop an individualized program that crosses traditional academic disciplines. General education requirements for this degree include the following. Specific courses that apply toward each category are identified in the Lake Land College catalog.

CATEGORY	REQUIREMENT
Communication	6 credit hours
Mathematics or Physical and Life Sciences	7 credit hours
Humanities and Fine Arts	3 credit hours
Social and Behavioral Sciences	3 credit hours
Humanities and Fine Arts or Social and Behavioral Sciences	3 credit hours
TOTAL	22 credit hours

**Inclusion of Human Relations in Curriculum**

It is the policy of Lake Land College to include in its General Education Requirements course work on improving human relations. This policy includes improvement in understanding about race, ethnicity, gender, and related issues as they impact on racism, gender bias, and sexual harassment.

The General Education course work addresses the issues of race, ethnicity, gender, and other issues as they relate to racism and sexual harassment as a part of its discipline. Each discipline includes course work which is appropriate to that area of study<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> 110 ILCS 205-9