

# Liberal Arts: Humanities and Social Science

Degree Awarded: Associate in Arts

## Recommended Course Sequence

| First Semester                        | Credits |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| ENG 101 Freshman English 1            | 3       |
| _____ SUNY Math (GE 1)                | 3/4     |
| _____ Social Science (Cat. A)*        | 3       |
| COM 101 Foundations of Communication  | 3       |
| _____ Liberal Arts Elective           | 3       |
| PES 100 Concepts of Physical Wellness | 1       |
| <b>Second Semester</b>                |         |
| ENG 102 Freshman English 2            | 3       |
| _____ SUNY Natural Science (GE 2)     | 3/4     |
| _____ Social Science (Cat. B)         | 3       |
| _____ Restricted SUNY Elective**      | 3       |
| _____ Liberal Arts elective           | 3       |
| PES ____ Physical Education           | 1       |
| <b>Third Semester</b>                 |         |
| ENG __ 200-level Advanced English     | 3       |
| _____ Math/Liberal Arts Science***    | 3/4     |
| _____ Social Science (Cat. C)         | 3       |
| _____ Liberal Arts elective           | 3       |
| _____ SUNY Arts (GE 8)                | 3       |
| <b>Fourth Semester</b>                |         |
| ENG__ 200-level Advanced English      | 3       |
| _____ Social Science (Cat D)          | 3       |
| _____ Elective                        | 3       |
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Total Credits: 62-65

\*Categories A-D must include a SUNY History (GE 4, GE 5 or GE 6) and a SUNY Social Science (GE 3).

\*\*SUNY Humanities (GE 7) list or SUNY Foreign Language (GE 9) list-Elementary 2 level or above.

\*\*\* MAT 102 or higher. Lab science not required.

This program can be completed in its entirety at either the Middletown campus or the Newburgh campus.

## Program Description

At Orange County Community College, areas of study under the Associate in Arts degree span a wide range of academic interests. Typically, these areas include specific studies in the social sciences, humanities, communication, education, the arts, and criminal justice. For more specific information, consult the individual Associate in Arts program descriptions within this catalog. Students should also meet regularly with their advisors to determine the best course of study for their particular area of interest.

In addition to taking courses in their particular area of interest, students are required to successfully complete a number of General Education courses as mandated by the State University of New York. These General Education areas include: math, natural sciences, social sciences, American history, western civilization, world civilizations, humanities, the arts, foreign language and communication.

## Admission Criteria

Admission to this program requires that students be high school graduates or have high school equivalency diplomas (GEDs). If students are not high school graduates, they may be eligible for admission to the College's 24 Credit Hour Program. If students are home schooled, they may be eligible for admission. (See pages 7 through 13 for more details on the admission process for all applicants.)

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## Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

- develop a foundation of essential knowledge about the cultural, social, and natural worlds, and individual well-being.
- understand the commonalities and diversity of the human experience, values and opinions.
- understand the forms of artistic expression and their inherent creative processes.
- think critically, apply systematic reasoning and develop information management quantitative skills.
- communicate effectively.
- be prepared to transfer to, and succeed, at an upper-level institution.



## Career Opportunities

The Associate in Arts degree program serves as a foundation for students who will complete their bachelor's degree at a four- year institution. They may then pursue careers in a number of areas, including:

- the social sciences
- the arts
- the humanities
- education and communication

In addition, successful completion of a bachelor's degree can also lead to continued study on the graduate level. For a more complete list of career opportunities, consult the individual Associate in Arts program descriptions in this catalog.

## Transfer Opportunities

SUNY Orange has special relationships with upper-level colleges and universities for transfer.

These transfer institutions include:

- four-year institutions in the State University of New York (SUNY) system
- private NYS and national four-year institutions

To provide for a smooth transfer, students should consult with both their academic advisors and the potential transfer institutions for academic course selection and guidance as soon as possible.

## Contact Information

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