

Associate of Science Articulation Agreement

It is understood that the following requirements will be met by all students transferring with an Associate of Science degree from an Iowa community college to an Iowa public university, specifically Iowa State University, the University of Iowa, or the University of Northern Iowa:

1. The Associate of Science degree will include a minimum of 60 semester hours of courses designed and acceptable for transfer, and may include up to 16 semester hours of career and technical courses.
2. The Associate of Science degree will include 40 semester hours of transfer credit within the following general divisions:
 - a. Communications—8 semester hours
 - b. Humanities and Social Science—8 semester hours
 - c. Mathematics and Science—20 semester hours (at least one course in each)
 - d. Distributed Requirement—4 semester hours taken from among the above divisions
3. The remaining 20 semester hours will be accepted from arts and sciences electives designed and acceptable for transfer, with the understanding that up to 16 semester hours of ungraded (pass/satisfactory) career and technical credit could be applied.
4. Where foreign language proficiency and/or course(s) in foreign culture, multi-cultural and/or diversity are required at a public university, students must meet those specific requirements. This requirement may be met at the public university and is not a requirement for the Associate of Science degree at the community college.
5. Students transferring an Associate of Science degree to a public university must have maintained a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 2.0 on all graded arts and sciences courses acceptable for transfer. (**Note:** Transfer GPA does not typically include developmental or career and technical education credits.)
6. Students satisfying the above requirements will be enrolled at junior level status in the college of liberal arts or other participating colleges within the public universities. Additional general education requirements may be required by the public universities depending upon the major.*
7. Students not completing the Associate of Science degree may be admitted to any of the three public universities; however, this admittance will require a course-by-course evaluation of the student's transcripts.

8. The chair of the LACTS will initiate a meeting each spring, where the current agreement is reviewed by the following:
 - a. Arts and Sciences Administrators—Iowa Community Colleges
 - b. Deans of Liberal Arts—Iowa Public Universities
 - c. Chief Student Services Administrators—Iowa Community Colleges
 - d. Directors of Admissions—Iowa Public Universities
 - e. Career and Technical Deans—Iowa Community Colleges

Continuation of the agreement remains in effect until such time as all cooperating institutions formally approve any revisions.

9. Continuation of the agreement (first effective fall 2007) is contingent upon approval of all cooperating institutions.

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*Participating colleges include:

- Iowa State University, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- University of Iowa, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; College of Education; and Henry B. Tippie College of Business
- University of Northern Iowa, All Undergraduate Colleges within the University of Northern Iowa