## OTHER ACTION PROPOSAL FORM

**ACADEMIC AREA:** School of Arts and sciences

**PROGRAM:** AA GENERAL EDUCATION

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### SECTION I

**PROPOSED ACTION: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY**

















Change to catalog language for AA program Information

**EXPLAIN THE NATURE OF THE ACTION:**

This action serves to clarify and provide information to students regarding the program requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) degree at Edison State College. Past catalog information conflated the definitions between the AA degree and General Education Competencies. Corrections include a title change to reflect AA and Gen Ed differences, the inclusion of new courses, and addition of hyperlinks guiding students to requirements of AA electives and other AA program requirements and information.

In this way, from the “Programs of Study” Catalog page, students will be able to travel to the link within text of the AA program description for the above detailed information.

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| **Programs of Study**  [[Print-Friendly Page.](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=334&print)Print-Friendly Page](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=334&print) |
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| **Associate in Arts Requirements and General Education Competencies**  [[Print-Friendly Page.](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303&print)Print-Friendly Page](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303&print) |
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| **Associate in Arts Degree General Education Program Guide, AA**  **General Education Philosophy:**  General Education is a program of study that establishes a foundation for lifelong learning and prepares students to be thoughtful, informed, global citizens. This program fosters academic excellence, interdisciplinary dialog, respect for self and others, and social responsibility.  **General Education Core Courses:**  General Education Core courses differ from traditional survey courses by integrating a breadth of knowledge and skills essential to a complete education and are the foundation of knowledge upon which all degrees are built.  **General Education Competencies:**  General Education courses must meet at least four out of the five following outcomes. All other courses will meet one or more of these outcomes:   * ***Communication* *(COM):*** To communicate effectively using standard English (written or oral). * ***Critical Thinking (CT):*** To demonstrate skills necessary for analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. * ***Technology/Information Management (TIM):***To demonstrate the skills and use the technology necessary to collect, verify, document, and organize information from a variety of sources. * ***Global Socio-cultural Responsibility (GSR):***To identify, describe, and apply responsibilities, core civic beliefs, and values present in a diverse society. * ***Scientific and Quantitative Reasoning (QR):***To identify and apply mathematical and scientific principles and methods.   Associate in Arts students must follow the General Education guide below in planning required courses. This guide complies with Southern Association of Colleges and Schools’ (SACS) Core Requirement 2.7.3 which requires a course distribution in humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, natural sciences/mathematics; Florida Statute 1007.25(3) which requires the core curriculum to include the subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences; Rules of the Florida State Board of Education, which require six credits of mathematics and twelve credits (four courses) in which writing is heavily emphasized. Additionally, the mathematics and writing courses must be passed with a “C” or better.  An Associate in Arts degree shall require no more than 60 semester hours of college credit, including 36 semester hours of General Education coursework.  Except for college-preparatory coursework required pursuant to Section 1008.30, Florida Statutes, all required coursework shall count toward the Associate in Arts degree or the baccalaureate degree.  **General Education Core Requirements: 36 Credit Hours**  **I. COMMUNICATION: 9 Credit Hours**   * [ENC 1101 - Composition I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303)\* **3** **credit(s)** * [ENC 1102 - Composition II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303)\* **3** **credit(s)** * and * [SPC 1017 - Fundamentals of Speech Communication](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303)  **3** **credit(s)** * or * [SPC 2023 - Introduction to Public Speaking](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303)  **3** **credit(s)**   **Note:**  \*Must complete both ENC 1101 & 1102 with a "C" or better.   * LIN 1670 – Basic English Grammar\*\* **1 credit** * ENG 2061 - Usage and Mechanics\*\* **2 credit(s)**   \*\* Transfer students with quarter system credits may be required to take LIN 1670 or ENG 2061.  **II. HUMANITIES: 6 Credit Hours**  (Select two courses - one from Part A and one from Part B, or two from Part A.)  **Part A\***   * [HUM 2020 - Humanities Forum](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2211 - Studies in Humanities: The Ancient World Through the Medieval Period- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2235 - Studies in Humanities: The Renaissance Through the Age of Reason- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2250 - Studies in Humanities: The Romantic Era to the Present- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2510 - Studies in Humanities: Humanities Through the Arts- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2930 - Studies in Humanities: Great Human Questions- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * IDS 2930 – Special Topics in Arts and Sciences- (I) **3 credits(s)**   **Note:**  \*Students must demonstrate competence in written communication by passing any of these courses with a “C” or better.  Courses listed in Part A are designated writing intensive courses.  **Part B**   * [AML 2010 - Literature of the United States I, to 1860](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [AML 2020 - Literature of the United States II, 1860 to Present](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ARH 1000 - Art Appreciation](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ARH 1050 - History of Art I- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ARH 1051 - History of Art II- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ENG 2100 - American Cinema](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ENL 2012 - British Literature and Culture I, to 1780 (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ENL 2022 - British Literature and Culture II, 1780 to Present (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [LIT 2110 - World Literature I- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [LIT 2120 - World Literature II- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [MUL 1110 - Music History and Appreciation- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [PHI 2010 - Introduction to Philosophy](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [PHI 2100 - Logic: Reasoning and Critical Thinking](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * PHI 2103 – Critical Thinking **3 credit(s)** * [PHI 2600 - Ethics](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [REL 2300 - World Religions- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [THE 2100 - Theatre History and Literature](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **III. SOCIAL SCIENCES: 9 Credit Hours**  (Select three courses.  Students must complete a minimum of one course from Part A.)  **Part A\***   * [WOH 1012 - History of World Civilization to 1500- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1023 - History of World Civilization 1500 to 1815- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1030 - History of World Civilization 1815 to Present- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Note:**  \*Students must demonstrate competence in written communication by passing any of these courses with a “C” or better.  Courses listed in Part A are designated writing intensive courses.  **Part B**  **Anthropology**   * [ANT 1410 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ANT 1511 - Introduction to Physical Anthropology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Economics**   * [ECO 2013 - Economics I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ECO 2023 - Economics II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Geography**   * [GEA 2010 - Geography of the Eastern Hemisphere- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [GEA 2040 - Geography of the Western Hemisphere-](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **History**   * [AMH 2010 - History of the United States to 1865](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [AMH 2020 - History of the United States 1865 to Present](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [AMH 2070 - Florida History](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1012 - History of World Civilization to 1500- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1023 - History of World Civilization 1500 to 1815- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1030 - History of World Civilization 1815 to Present- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Political Science**   * [INR 2002 - International Relations- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [POS 2041 - American National Government](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [POS 2112 - American State and Local Politics](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Psychology**   * [CLP 1001 - Personal and Social Adjustment](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [DEP 2004 - Human Growth and Development](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [PSY 2012 - General Psychology I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Sociology**   * [SYG 1000 - Introduction to Sociology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [SYG 1010 - Contemporary Social Problems](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **IV. MATHEMATICS: 6 Credit Hours**  Mathematics courses used to satisfy the General Education mathematics requirement must be passed with a grade of “C” or higher. Pursuant to Rule 6A-10.030 (Gordon Rule), the student must successfully complete six (6) semester hours of mathematics coursework.  **General Education Math:**   * [MAC 1105 - College Algebra](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [MGF 1106 - Mathematics for Liberal Arts I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [MGF 1107 - Mathematics for Liberal Arts II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [STA 2023 - Statistical Methods I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **These advanced mathematics courses may also be used to meet the AA mathematics requirements:**   * [MAC 1106 - Combined College Algebra/Pre-Calculus](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **5** **credit(s)** * [MAC 1114 - Trigonometry](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [MAC 1140 - Pre-Calculus Algebra](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [MAC 1147 - Pre-Calculus Algebra/Trigonometry](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **5** **credit(s)** * [MAC 2233 - Calculus for Business and Social Sciences I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [MAC 2311 - Calculus with Analytic Geometry I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [MAC 2312 - Calculus with Analytic Geometry II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [MAC 2313 - Calculus with Analytic Geometry III](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [MAP 2302 - Differential Equations I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)**   **V. NATURAL SCIENCES: 6 Credit Hours**  A student must complete six (6) hours of science in order to fulfill the Natural Science requirement, with each science course having a corresponding lab component.  A “C” designation after the course number indicates that the lab is “combined” with the class.  Note: A better foundation in science is provided by taking related science courses in sequential semesters.   * \*  [AST 2003C - Astronomy: The Solar System](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * \*  [AST 2004C - Astronomy: Stars, Galaxies, and Cosmology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [BSC 1010 - Biological Science I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [BSC 1010L - Biological Science I Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [BSC 1011 - Biological Science II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [BSC 1011L - Biological Science II Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * [BSC 1050C - Environmental Biology: Our Global Environment](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [BSC 1051C - Environmental Biology: Southwest Florida Ecosystems](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [BSC 1084C - Anatomy and Physiology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * \*  [BSC 1093C - Anatomy and Physiology I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * \*  [BSC 1094C - Anatomy and Physiology II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [BSC 2008C - The Biology of Behavior](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * \*  [CHM 2025 - Introduction to College Chemistry](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [CHM 2025L - Introduction to College Chemistry Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [CHM 2032 - General Chemistry for the Health Sciences](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [CHM 2032L - General Chemistry for the Health Sciences Lab](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [CHM 2045 - General Chemistry I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [CHM 2045L - General Chemistry I Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [CHM 2046 - General Chemistry II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [CHM 2046L - General Chemistry II Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * [GLY 1010C - Physical Geology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [GLY 1100C - Historical Geology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * [ISC 1001C - Foundations of Interdisciplinary Science I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ISC 1002C - Foundations of Interdisciplinary Science II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [OCB 1000C - The Living Ocean](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * \*  [OCB 2010 - Marine Biology](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * and * [OCB 2010L - Marine Biology Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * [OCE 1001C - Introduction to Oceanography](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * \*  [PHY 2048 - General Physics I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * and * [PHY 2048L - General Physics I Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [PHY 2049 - General Physics II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * and * [PHY 2049L - General Physics II Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [PHY 2053 - College Physics I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * and * [PHY 2053L - College Physics I Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)** * \*  [PHY 2054 - College Physics II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **4** **credit(s)** * and * [PHY 2054L - College Physics II Laboratory](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **1** **credit(s)**   **Note:**  \*These courses are sequential, or require another science or math course as a corequisite or prerequisite.  **Associate in Arts Elective Requirements: 24 Credit Hours**  Students are encouraged to select elective courses that complement their major or program area of interest. Additional courses in all General Education content areas (such as communications, humanities, social behavioral sciences, mathematics, and natural sciences) can fulfill general elective hours.  Additionally, students can select courses in disciplines such as accounting, business, computers and technology, criminal justice, early childhood, education, law and public service, marketing and management.  Consult the [Course Descriptions](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=335) section of the Catalog for additional course information.  Students are encouraged to see an academic advisor to review program prerequisites and to review common course prerequisites for baccalaureate program areas (also available through Flrorida Virtual College at flvc.org).  EAP college-level coursework (EAP 1500 and above) is limited to 6 credit hours within the 24 credit-hour electives for the AA degree.  **Other Associate in Arts Information and Requirements**  **Writing Intensive Courses:**  The following courses satisfy the writing requirement of 4,000 words each. Each student must successfully take 12 semester hours of coursework demonstrating college level writing skills with a grade of “C” or higher (Florida Administrative Code 6A-10.030(2)(a)).   * [ENC 1101 - Composition I](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [ENC 1102 - Composition II](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * LIN 1670 – Basic English Grammar **1 credit** * ENG 2061 - Usage and Mechanics\* **2 credit(s)** * [CRW 2001 - Creative Writing I-](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [CRW 2002 - Creative Writing II-](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2020 - Humanities Forum](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2211 - Studies in Humanities: The Ancient World Through the Medieval Period- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2235 - Studies in Humanities: The Renaissance Through the Age of Reason- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2250 - Studies in Humanities: The Romantic Era to the Present- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2510 - Studies in Humanities: Humanities Through the Arts- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2930 - Studies in Humanities: Great Human Questions- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 1950 - Humanities Study Tour- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [HUM 2950 - Humanities Study Tour- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * IDS 2930 – Special Topics in Arts and Sciences- **3 credits(s)** * [WOH 1012 - History of World Civilization to 1500- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1023 - History of World Civilization 1500 to 1815- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)** * [WOH 1030 - History of World Civilization 1815 to Present- (I)](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=303) **3** **credit(s)**   **Note:**  For an AA degree, writing intensive courses must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher. World Civilization courses which are designated as writing intensive (designated as “W” in the Schedule of Classes) satisfy the writing requirement.  **College Level Academic Skills (CLAS):**  Beginning July 1, 2011, College-Level Academic Skills (CLAS) is no longer an associate’s degree or bachelor’s degree graduation requirement.  **Foreign Language:**  Students seeking admission to state universities in Florida should have completed two years of the same foreign language at the high school level or two courses (eight to ten credit hours) at the college level. Foreign language is a State University System and Edison State College baccalaureate-level graduation requirement.  **“International or Diversity Focus” Courses:**  State Universities in Florida may require students to take courses that have an international or diversity focus. These are designated with an “I” after the course descriptions. See also [International or Diversity Focus Courses](http://catalog.edison.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=307) for a listing of these courses.  **Associate in Arts Program Total Credit Hours: 60**  **Associate in Arts Degree with a focus in Early Childhood Education:**  The Associate in Arts Degree with a focus in Early Childhood Education is designed to prepare individuals to work with young children in a variety of public and private programs.  Students pursuing an Associate in Arts degree with a focus in Early Childhood Education are provided with comprehensive courses that are based on children from birth through age eight.  The study of research and theory is blended with many opportunities for hands-on experiences throughout the courses.  Students who wish to earn a National CDA credential may complete the necessary coursework as part of the Associate of Arts Degree.  Students who successfully complete the AA degree program with education prerequisite may be eligible to articulate into a baccalaureate in education degree program.  **Previously Earned Degrees:**  **Previously Earned Associate in Arts (AA) Degrees**   * Students who have previously earned an Associate in Arts degree from a Florida college or State University are considered to have met the General Education Core Requirements of an Edison State College baccalaureate degree. * Students who have previously earned an Associate in Arts degree from a college or university outside the State of Florida will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to review the 36 hour General Education Core Requirements.  Students must have earned equivalent credit hours in each General Education category (i.e., 6 hours of Humanities, 9 hours of Social Sciences, etc.).  Students with a minimum of 36 hours of General Education Core courses are considered to have met the General Education Core Requirements of Edison State College.   **Previously Earned Baccalaureate Degrees**   * Students who have earned a previous baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution are considered to have met the General Education Core Requirements of an Edison State College baccalaureate degree.   **Additional Options for Pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree:**  The following tips for transfer students are found on the FACTS website ([Florida Virtual College at flvc.org](http://www.facts.org/)):   1. Students should meet with their academic advisor to discuss degree requirements and transfer options. 2. When applying for admission to a state university, transfer students who have not yet completed the AA degree will be evaluated on their high school transcripts as well as their college coursework. Transfer students without an AA degree and less than 60 hours must compete with all entering freshman applicants to the college or university. 3. It is strongly recommended that a student complete the AA degree prior to transferring. If this is not possible, students are encouraged to at least complete the 36 hour General Education block at their initial institution. 4. Students who have entered a community college with a “CPT-eligible” certificate of completion must complete the AA degree before transferring to a 4-year institution. 5. Students should check with the transfer services office at the college or university to which they are transferring to obtain information relating to transfer policies, financial aid opportunities, and other available assistance. 6. Students wishing to receive accommodations for a disability have a responsibility to inform the disability services center at the 4-year institution. A student with a disability may be eligible for a special admission review under Section 1007.265, Florida Statutes. A special admission review may apply if documentation can be provided that failure to meet an admission requirement is related to the disability and failure does not constitute a fundamental alteration in the nature of the program. Contact the admissions director for more information. 7. Please note: several AS degrees transfer to discipline-related BAS or BS degrees within the State University system. Please see a program advisor for more information. |

Attachment provided for above text.

### SECTION II

**PROVIDE JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRICULUM ACTION (OTHER EXPLANATORY INFORMATION):**

This action will act to clarify issues of possible confusion and conflation with description of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree and the College’s General Education program. Catalog links and references in “Program of Study” will provide catalog users with more specific information on AA General Education, elective, and other requirements.

**nOTE:** Changes for the Fall 2013 Term must be submitted and approved no later than the January Curriculum Committee Meeting prior to the start of the next academic year. Changes during mid-school year are NOT permitted. Extreme circumstances will require approval from the appropriate dean as well as the Vice President of Academic Affairs to begin in either the spring or summer term.

**TERM IN WHICH PROPOSED ACTION WILL TAKE PLACE:**

FALL 2013

TYPE IN TERM IF “EXCEPTION” AND OBTAIN BOTH SIGNATURES BELOW OR TYPE “NA”

**oRDER OF APPROVAL FOR EXCEPTIONS IS AS FOLLOWS:**

SIGNATURE #1 NEEDED FOR EFFECTIVE TERM EXCEPTION:



SIGNATURE #2 NEEDED FOR EFFECTIVE TERM EXCEPTION:



**FACULTY ENDORSEMENTS:**PLEASE SEPARATE FACULTY MEMBERS WITH A COMMA



**DEPARTMENT CHAIR / PROGRAM COORDINATOR ENDORSEMENT:**

 PLEASE SELECT TODAY’S DATE

**ASSOCIATE / ACADEMIC DEAN ENDORSEMENT:**

 3/1/2013

**DEANS’ COUNCIL Review – verified by:**

 PLEASE SELECT TODAY’S DATE

**STUDENT ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR ENDORSEMENT:**

 PLEASE SELECT TODAY’S DATE

**FOR CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: March 22, 2013**

Completed curriculum proposals must be uploaded to the dropbox by the deadline. Please refer to the *Curriculum Committee Critical Dates for Submission for Proposals* document available in the document manager in the MyEdisonState Portal:

* Document Manager
* VP Academic Affairs
* Curriculum Process Documents