**Associate in Arts, Focus in Opticianry**

The Opticianry Program is offered in partnership with Hillsborough Community College and FSW. This partnership provides an opportunity for students to complete the Hillsborough Community College sponsored Opticianry Program locally on the FSW Fort Myers campus.

The Associate in Arts (AA) Focus in Opticianry guides students to complete the correct courses to apply to the limited access degree program. All students considering a limited access program should review the application for the requirements and application deadlines. It is not a requirement to complete the entire AA degree before or after application to the Opticianry Program.

Admission points will be awarded for **Required General Education Courses** completed with a grade of C or higher before the application deadline. These courses are utilized to rank students for program acceptance. It is not mandatory to have all **Required General Education Courses** completed before the application deadline; some of the **Required General Education Courses** can be taken after acceptance to the Opticianry Program.

**Required General Education Courses for Opticianry, AS 15 credits**

ENC 1101 Composition I 3 credits
*\*Must complete with a grade of C or higher*

Core Humanities Course 3 credits

Core Mathematics Course 3 credits
*\*Must complete with a grade of C or higher*

Core Social Sciences Course 3 credits

Writing Intensive Social Sciences Course **3 credits**

*\*Must complete with a grade of C or higher*

**Remaining General Education Courses for AA 21 credits**

ENC 1102 Composition II **3 credits**

*\*Must complete with a grade of C or higher*

Any Communication Course   **3 credits**

Any Social Sciences Course  3 **credits**

Writing Intensive Humanities Course 3 credits

*\*Must complete with a grade of C or higher*

Any Mathematics Course     **3 credits**

*\*Must complete with a grade of C or higher*

Core Natural Sciences with Lab 3 credits

Any Natural Sciences Course 3 credits

**Remaining Elective Courses for AA 24 credits**

Any 1000 or 2000 level courses 24 credits

**Total Credits 60 credits**

**Foreign Language Competency Requirement**

In accordance with Florida Statute 1007.25, students initially entering a Florida College System Institution in 2014-2015 and thereafter must demonstrate competency in foreign language pursuant to guidelines set in Florida Statute 1007.262.

The Foreign Language Competency Requirement may be met by:

* 2 years of the same High School Foreign Language, or
* Documented foreign language proficiency through testing, or
* 2 semesters of the same College Level Foreign Language (level II proficiency), or
* Level II proficiency - this criterion occurs when a student has completed the second course of a sequence of college foreign language without completing the first course. For example, if a student has successfully completed a college-level Spanish II but not Spanish I, then the student has met the Foreign Language Competency requirement.

Students should check with their Academic Advisor for additional information, or if they are unsure whether they have already met this requirement.