



## **American Studies A.A.**

Career Community: History, Humanities, and English

Curriculum Code: 0142

Effective: Fall 2025 – Summer 2030

### **Purpose of the Major**

This degree is designed for students who intend to transfer to a four-year college or university to pursue a baccalaureate degree in this subject area. Students completing this curriculum will also satisfy the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) between two-year and four-year institutions in Michigan and qualify for an LCC Transfer Studies Certificate of Achievement (1482).

### **Milestone**

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of HIST 211, HIST 212, and HUMS 215 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

### **Additional Information**

A student must earn a minimum grade of 2.0 in all courses.

### **Contact Information**

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Social Science and Humanities Department, Arts and Sciences Building, Room 2203, telephone number 517-483-1061, or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building–StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

### **Major Required Courses** – *Some courses meet General Education requirements for MTA.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1 / 1
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or COMM 200 or COMM 240 or COMM 260 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132	Dynamics of Communication Fundamentals Public Speaking Small Group Communication Interpersonal Communication Nonverbal Communication Composition II Honors Composition II	3 / 3 3 / 3 3 / 3 3 / 3 3 / 3 4 / 4 4 / 4
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4
HIST 211	U.S. History to 1877	4 / 4
HIST 212	U.S. History: 1877 to Present	4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
HUMS 215	American Cultural Experience	4 / 4
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math - Applications for Living College Algebra Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

For future transfer:

- Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, and Ferris State University, choose ENGL 122 or ENGL 132.
- Grand Valley State University and Michigan State University, choose COMM 120 or 130 and MATH 120.
- University of Michigan Ann Arbor choose ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and STAT 170.
- University of Michigan Flint choose ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and MATH 119 or 120.
- Western Michigan University choose ENGL 122, and MATH 119 or STAT 170.

### **Major Required Courses**—*Select one*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 255	American Lit to 1865	4 / 4
ENGL 256	American Lit 1865 to Present	4 / 4

### **Major Required Courses, Limited Choices**—*Select one*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ARTH 211	Art History to the Renaissance	4 / 4
ARTH 212	Art Hist from the Renaissance	4 / 4
ENGL 200	Introduction to Literature	3 / 3
ENGL 260	African-American Literature	4 / 4
ENGL 270	Gender and Literature	4 / 4
PHIL 101	Introduction to Philosophy	3 / 3
PHIL 151	Intro to Logic & Critical Think	4 / 4
RELG 150	Intro to World Religions	4 / 4
RELG 210	Comparative Religions	3 / 3

**Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences** –Select two from different disciplines as indicated for each transfer institution; one must be a lab course. If specific courses are not indicated, choose any courses or choose from [LCC General Education Transfer Degrees: MTA Natural Science](#).

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ANTH 275	Biological Anthropology	4 / 4
ANTH 280	Forensic Anthropology	3 / 3
ASTR 201	Introductory Astronomy	4 / 5
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4 / 6
BIOL 125	Intro Biology for Non-Majors	4 / 6
CHEM 135	Chemistry in Society	4 / 5
GEOG 206	Physical Geography	4 / 4
GEOG 220	Weather, Forecasting & Climate	4 / 4
GEO 221	Physical Geology	4 / 6
GEO 222	Historical Geology	4 / 6
GEO 230	Environmental Geology	4 / 6
ISCI 131	Integrated Physical Science	4 / 6
PHYS 120	The Art of Physics	4 / 5

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University, choose BIOL 120 and a non BIOL course.
- Ferris State University, choose BIOL 125 and a non-BIOL course.
- Michigan State University choose, BIOL 120 or BIOL 125, and ASTR 201 or CHEM 135 or ISCI 131 or PHYS 120.

**Major Required Courses, Limited Choice - Social Sciences** –Select two from different disciplines as indicated for each transfer institution and major. If specific courses are not indicated, choose any course or choose from [LCC General Education Transfer Degrees MTA Social Sciences](#).

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ANTH 270	Cultural Anthropology	3 / 3
ANTH 271	Medical Anthropology	3 / 3
ANTH 276	Introduction to Archaeology	3 / 3
ECON 120	Power, Authority and Exchange	4 / 4
ECON 201	Principles of Economics-Micro	4 / 4
ECON 202	Principles of Economics-Macro	4 / 4
EDUC 204	Educational Psychology	3 / 3
EDUC 220	Foundations of Education	3 / 3
GEOG 200	World Regional Geography	4 / 4
POLS 120	American Political System	4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/ Billing Hours
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4 / 4
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4

For future transfer in Secondary Education – Social Studies (History focus) to:

- Central Michigan University and Western Michigan University choose EDUC 220 and GEOG 200.
- Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, Grand Valley State University, and Michigan State University choose EDUC 204 and GEOG 200.
- University of Michigan Flint choose GEOG 200 and PSYC 200.

### General Education – Transfer Degrees (MTA)

- English Composition  
Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course) or Communication  
Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Humanities and Fine Arts  
Major Required Courses meet this requirement
- Mathematics  
Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Natural Sciences  
Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.
- Social Sciences  
Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.

**Elective Courses, Recommended Choices**—*Select courses as needed to reach the 60 credits required for this degree. (For the full list of options, see [AA and AS Degree Electives](#).)*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/ Billing Hours
ANTH 270	Cultural Anthropology	3 / 3
ARTH 120	Masterpieces of Art & Music	4 / 4
ARTH 211	Art History to the Renaissance	4 / 4
ARTH 212	Art Hist from the Renaissance	4 / 4
ECON 213	U.S. Economic/Business History	3 / 3
ENGL 200	Introduction to Literature	3 / 3
ENGL 260	African-American Literature	4 / 4
ENGL 270	Gender and Literature	4 / 4
GEOG 200	World Regional Geography	4 / 4
HIST 150	African-American History	4 / 4
HIST 215	World History to 1500	4 / 4
HIST 216	World History since 1500	4 / 4
POLS 120	American Political System	4 / 4
RELG 150	Intro to World Religions	4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit/ Billing Hours
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4
SOCL 260	Race and Ethnicity	3 / 3

### Minimum Total Credit Hours

60 credits / 60 billing hours

### Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I
ACAD 100
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
HIST 211 – Milestone course
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
Major Required Course, Limited Choice - Natural Sciences

Semester II
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or COMM 200 or COMM 240 or COMM 260 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
ENGL 255 or 256
HUMS 215 – Milestone course
Major Required Course, Limited Choice - Natural Sciences

Semester III
HIST 212 – Milestone course
Major Required Course, Limited Choice - Social Sciences
Electives

Semester IV
Major Required Course, Limited Choice - Social Sciences
Electives as needed for total credits

*LCC makes every effort to limit revisions to the pathways during their effective timeframe. However, the College reserves the right to update certificate and degree titles, and make course changes as needed, without prior notice. The College also reserves the right to discontinue programs when warranted.*