2014-2015

Associate in Arts: Creative Writing Emphasis

AA Degree Program

Program Requirements	17
General Education/MnTC	40
Wellness Requirement	3
TOTAL CREDITS	60

Program Information:

This degree is intended to constitute the first two years of a baccalaureate degree program. In addition to lower division introductory coursework in creative writing, the 40 credit Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) is completed within the degree to facilitate easy transfer. For assistance in program planning, or to explore additional transfer options, students should schedule a time to meet with an academic advisor. This degree may transfer in part or in its entirety to baccalaureate institutions. Students should meet with a representative of the transfer institution when planning their program. For more information on Anka-Ramsey (ARCC), visit our Web site at http://www.AnokaRamsey.edu.

Program Goals:

By completing this program, students will achieve the following learning goals:

1. Develop writers and speakers who use the English language effectively and who read, write, speak, and listen critically. 2. Develop thinkers who are able to unify factual, creative, rational, and value-sensitive modes of thought. 3. Improve students' understanding of natural science principles and of the methods of scientific inquiry, i.e., the ways in which scientists investigate natural science phenomena. 4. Increase students' knowledge about mathematical and logical modes of thinking. 5. Increase students' knowledge of how historians and social and behavioral scientists discover, describe, and explain the behaviors and interactions among individuals, groups, institutions, events, and ideas. 6. Expand students' knowledge of the human condition and human cultures, especially in relation to behavior, ideas, and values expressed in works of human imagination and thought. 7. Increase students' understanding of individual and group differences (e.g. race, gender, class) and their knowledge of the traditions and values of various groups in the United States. 8. Increase students' understanding of the growing interdependence of nations and people and develop their ability to apply a comparative perspective to cross-cultural social, economic, and political experiences.
9. Develop students' capacity to identify, discuss, and reflect upon the ethical dimensions of political, social, and personal life and to understand the ways in which they can exercise responsible and productive citizenship. 10. Improve students' understanding of today's complex environmental challenges. 11. Improve students' awareness and understanding of issues related to personal wellness.

Developmental Courses:

Some students may need preparatory courses in the areas of English, mathematics, or typing/keyboarding. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward this degree.

Completion Requirements:

- A minimum of 60 semester credits in courses numbered 1000 or above.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in courses numbered 1000 or above at ARCC.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all MnTC courses.
- Satisfy residency requirements. See page 27.
- Completion of specific degree requirements. Students may earn only one AA degree regardless of emphasis. To receive your diploma, you must apply to graduate.
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

Program Requirements: 17 credits

☐ ENGL 2241♦ Introduction to Creative Writing 3

Choose two of the following four courses (6 credits):

☐ ENGL 2220 British Lit to 1800 3
☐ ENGL 2225 British Lit since 1800 3
☐ ENGL 2230 American Lit to 1865 3
☐ ENGL 2235 American Lit since 1865 3

Choose two of the following three courses (6 credits):

☐ ENGL 2251♦ Intro to Creative Writing for Stage & Screen 3
☐ ENGL 2261♦ Intro to Creative Nonfiction Writing 3
☐ ENGL 2271♦ Intro to Creative Writing for Children & Young Adults 3

Electives: 2

This requirement may be met by taking college-level coursework appropriate to the student's transfer program.

General Education/MnTC Requirements 40 credits

Distribution requirements are satisfied through completion of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) listed below. These criteria must be met to complete the MnTC:

1. All ten emphasis areas listed below must be completed.
2. A total of at least **40 semester credits** from courses listed in the MnTC must be satisfactorily completed. One course may satisfy more than one emphasis area, but the course credits may be counted only once.
3. A 2.0 MnTC GPA is required for recognition of a student's completion of the entire Minnesota Transfer Curriculum, with or without completing an associate degree.

☐ 1. **Communication** *(at least two courses)*
- ☐ ENGL 1121♦ ..... 4 cr.
- ☐ CMST 1110 ***OR*** CMST 2215 ***OR*** CMST 2220 ..... 3 cr

☐ 2. **Critical Thinking** *(at least three courses)*

☐ 3. **Natural Science**
- ☐ A. One Physical Science course
- ☐ B.One Biological Science course
- ☐ C. One Physical or Biological Science course must include a lab

☐ 4. **Mathematical/Logical Reasoning**
Demonstrated competency in mathematics from (1) below and at least one course from (2) below:
1) Place into a math course 1000-level or higher on the Accuplacer Test or complete Math 0205, or Math 0210, or Math 0220 with a "C" or better.
2) At least one course from the following:
MATH 1100, 1110, 1120, 1200, 1201, 1210, 1310, 1400, 1401 or PHIL 1105

☐ 5. **History/Social/Behavioral Sciences**
(at least two courses; one from each of two categories)
- ☐ A. Economics/Geography
- ☐ B. Anthropology/Psychology/Sociology
- ☐ C. History/Political Science

☐ 6. **Humanities/Fine Arts** *(at least two courses; one from each of two categories)*
- ☐ A. Literature
  ENGL 2202 is recommended ..... 3 cr
- ☐ B. Humanities/Philosophy
- ☐ C. Art/Music/Theatre

☐ 7. **Human Diversity** *(at least one course)*

☐ 8. **Global Perspective** *(at least one course)*

☐ 9. **Ethical/Civic Responsibility** *(at least one course)*

☐ 10. **People and the Environment** *(at least one course)*

Wellness 3 credits

☐ Select any HPER course(s) totaling at least 3 credits.

♦ ***Course has a prerequisite. Prerequisites are listed on the course schedule and in the ARCC Catalog Course Descriptions pages.***

NOTE: You are encouraged to contact an academic advisor,at 763-433-1230 for course planning assistance and information about transfer credit evaluation and transfer options.

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