

Associate of Arts (AA) Degree in Liberal Education

Graduation Requirements:

Students seeking an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in liberal education must complete a total of 60 college-level semester credits, including:

- MnTC requirements
- Health - one course
- Exercise Science - one course
- Elective credits - additional course(s) numbered 1000 and above, if needed to complete the 60 credit requirement.

Other Graduation Requirements:

- Complete the specific degree requirements as specified above.
- Earn a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 or higher for college-level coursework (courses numbered 1000 and above) completed at Normandale.
- Earn a minimum of 20 college level credits at Normandale.

By specific agreement, students who have been awarded the Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Education have satisfied all general education requirements for graduation from any of Minnesota's public colleges and universities.

The following schools also accept the AA degree as satisfying their general education requirements:

Minnesota Schools:

Argosy University, Augsburg College, Bethany Lutheran College, Capella University, College of St. Scholastica, Concordia University in St. Paul, and St. Mary's University.

North Dakota Schools:

Mayville State University, North Dakota State University, the University of North Dakota.

Wisconsin Schools:

Northland College, UW-River Falls, UW-Stout and UWSuperior.

The general education (MnTC) portion of the AA degree satisfies the liberal education requirements at the University of Minnesota.

Associate of Arts Degree with Emphasis

Students seeking an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Education with an emphasis must successfully complete the AA requirements and the specific emphasis requirements. Emphasis requirements may also be used to satisfy the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal requirements.

Music Emphasis

The Associate of Arts degree with Emphasis in Music provides a quality two-year curriculum which complete the first two years of a baccalaureate degree in music.

Required courses: (28 cr)

MUSC 1131, 1132, 2231, 2232	Music Theory I, II, III, IV (12)
MUSC 1181, 1182, 2281, 2282	Ear Training I, II, III, IV (8)
MUSC 1151*	Applied Music (primary instrument or voice) (two semesters for 4 cr)
MUSC 1152*	Performance Class (two semesters)

Complete one music ensemble course: (two semesters* for 2 credits)

MUSC 1113	Concert Choir (1)
MUSC 1116	Concert Band (1)
MUSC 1118	Orchestra (1)
MUSC 1145	Jazz Ensemble (1)

Piano Proficiency:

MUSC 1159	Piano Proficiency (0)
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Elective courses: (recommended - not required)

MUSC 1123	Jazz History (3)
MUSC 1156	Guitar 1: Class Lessons (2)
MUSC 1161	Voice: Class Lessons (2)

**Most colleges and universities require four semesters of Applied Music, Performance Class and Performing Ensemble. The student who elects to complete only two semesters may be behind upon transfer.*

Most colleges and universities also require four semesters of Music History. Students intending to major in music are encouraged to complete four semesters at Normandale. (MUSC 1121, 2245, 2246, 2247).

