

## Associate of Arts Articulation Agreement

To be admitted to Drake University under the terms of this agreement, a transfer student must satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Arts (AA) degree at an Iowa community college.

1. The Associate of Arts degree will include a minimum of 60 semester hours<sup>1</sup> of courses acceptable for transfer, and may include up to 16 semester hours of career-technical courses.<sup>2</sup>
2. General education courses are courses that broaden student knowledge in the arts and sciences.<sup>3</sup> Forty (40) semester hours of transfer credit will be required within the following general divisions:
  - a. Communications: at least 8 semester hours
  - b. Humanities: at least 8 semester hours
  - c. Mathematics and Natural Science: at least 8 semester hours (at least one course in each)
  - d. Social and Behavioral Sciences: at least 8 semester hours
  - e. Distributed Requirement: at least 8 additional semester hours taken from among the above four divisions (a-d).
3. The remaining 20 semester hours will be accepted from arts and sciences electives acceptable for transfer. A maximum of 16 semester hours of career-technical credit may be granted at the discretion of the Drake college or school in which a transfer student enrolls.<sup>4</sup>
4. Transfer credits may be applied towards both general education requirements and Drake major/minor/concentration requirements. Any remaining arts and sciences elective course that does not apply to one of these two areas will count as a general elective (and toward a student's total earned hours needed for graduation).
5. Students must satisfy, at Drake, Drake University's Senior Capstone requirement in the student's major(s) area of study.
6. Students transferring an Associate of Arts degree to Drake University must have maintained a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 2.0, both overall and among

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<sup>1</sup> A cumulative total of 66 semester hours of credit from all two-year institutions attended may be applied to a Drake degree.

<sup>2</sup> Any student admitted to a program in the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences will be awarded up to four (4) semester hours of career-technical coursework.

<sup>3</sup> Transfer credits earned in these courses may apply to both Drake general education requirements and major/minor/concentration requirements.

<sup>4</sup> Any student admitted to a program in the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences will be awarded up to four (4) semester hours of career-technical coursework.

all graded arts and sciences courses acceptable for transfer from the school at which the student earned their AA degree. (Note: Transfer GPA does not typically include developmental or career-technical credits.) Only courses in which a student receives a C- or higher will be accepted for Drake credit.

7. Having fulfilled the above requirements, students transferring with an Associate of Arts degree will have met the First Year Seminar and all Drake Curriculum Area of Inquiry requirements except the Senior Capstone, for all Drake University undergraduate programs.
8. Students not completing the Associate of Arts degree may be admitted to Drake, and credit applicability will be determined by the relevant existing articulation agreement.