## Northern Virginia Community College 2007-2008 Catalog

## LIBERAL ARTS

Associate of Arts Degree

AL, AN, LO, MA, WO, ELI\*

Purpose: The Associate of Arts degree major in Liberal Arts is designed for persons who plan to transfer to a four-year institution to complete a Bachelor of Arts Degree (B.A.).

Recommended Preparation: Satisfactory completion of the following high school units or equivalent: 4 units of English, 2 units of mathematics (algebra and geometry), 2 units of laboratory science, 1 unit of history, and 3 to 4 units of foreign language.

Transfer Information: Students are advised to work closely with the faculty and counseling staff for program and course scheduling. Electives should be chosen carefully to meet requirements of transfer institution. The responsibility for proper course selection rests with the student.

\* Graduation requirements are certified by a faculty advisor at a campus offering this major.

Two Years		Credits
1st Sem ENG 1 2MTH 3 4PED SDV	111 College Composition I 201 Foreign Language 151 Math for the Liberal Arts I Natural Science/Lab Elective 116 Lifetime Fitness & Wellness Elective Total	3 3 4 1 1 15
2nd Sen  5ENG  1  2MTH  3  4PED/RI SPD	112 College Composition II 202 Foreign Language 152 Math for the Liberal Arts II Natural Science/Lab Elective	3 3 3 4 1
3rd Sem <sup>6</sup> ENG <sup>7</sup> <sup>8</sup> HIS <sup>9</sup>	Literature Elective General Electives Elective Social Science Elective Total	3 6 3 3 15
4th Sem  7  8HIS  10  9	General Elective Elective Humanities/Fine Arts Elective Social Science Elective Total	4 3 3 3 13

## Total credits for the A.A. Degree in Liberal Arts = 60.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Students completing the A.A. in Liberal Arts must demonstrate intermediate college-level (201-202) proficiency in a language other than English. The 201-202 courses require a prerequisite proficiency equivalent to the 101-102 sequence in the language. Placement testing determines initial foreign language level. Students completing 101-102 foreign language may use those credits to meet general elective requirements. Waivers or credit by exam (through CLEP) for previous experience is available for *some* languages. Students whose native language is not English may substitute general electives for foreign language upon the approval of the advising division chair.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Any higher-level mathematics course may be substituted, see transfer requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The science elective may be selected from biology, chemistry, physics, geology, or natural science courses with a lab component, listed on pages 54-55. Some four-year colleges require a two-semester sequence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course, 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>ENG 125 may be substituted with the advice of a counselor or faculty advisor according to requirements of transfer institutions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Any 200-level literature course with an ENG prefix satisfies this requirement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Consult your advisor for assistance in selecting general electives that will meet requirements of the institution to which you plan to transfer. In most cases, general electives should be selected from the approved electives listed on page 54.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> HIS 101-102 or HIS 121-122 are recommended.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The social science elective may be selected from the economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, or sociology (includes anthropology) courses listed on page 54.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The humanities/fine arts elective may be chosen from the list on page 54. Elective should be selected with advice of a counselor or faculty advisor to meet requirements of transfer institution.