SCIENCE, A.S.

Begin Campus: Altoona

End Campus: Altoona

Degree Requirements

For the Associate in Science degree in Science, a minimum of 67 credits is required:

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15 of the 21 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes 15 credits: 3 credits of GN courses; 3 credits of GQ courses; 3 credits of GWS courses; 3 credits of GH courses; 3 credits of GQ, GWS, GH, or GN courses.

General Education

Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all associate degree students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/associate-degree-general-education-program/) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required.)

- Quantification (GQ): 3 credits
- Writing and Speaking (GWS): 3 credits

Knowledge Domains

- Arts (GA): 3 credits
- Humanities (GH): 3 credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 3 credits
- Natural Sciences (GN): 3 credits

Note: Up to six credits of Inter-domain courses may be used for any Knowledge Domain requirement, but when a course is used to satisfy more than one requirement, the credits from the course can be counted only once.

Foundations or Knowledge Domains

- Any General Education course: 3 credits

University Degree Requirements

Cultures Requirement

3 credits of United States (US) or International (IL) cultures coursework are required and may satisfy other requirements.

Writing Across the Curriculum

3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits

A minimum of 60 degree credits must be earned for a associates degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 60 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work

Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition

Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Requirements for the Major

To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44.

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<td>CHEM 112</td>
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<td>or CHEM 202</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry I</td>
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Select one of the following: 4-6

- MATH 22 | College Algebra II and Analytic Geometry & MATH 26 and Plane Trigonometry |
- MATH 40 | Algebra, Trigonometry, and Analytic Geometry                     |
- MATH 140| Calculus With Analytic Geometry I                                 |

Select one of the following: 3-4

- STAT 200 | Elementary Statistics                                           |
- STAT 250 | Introduction to Biostatistics                                  |

Select one of the following: 3

- PHIL 2 | Individuals in Society                                        |
- PHIL 103 | Ethics                                                    |
- PHIL 110 | Philosophy of Science                                     |
- PHIL 118 | Environmental Philosophy                                   |
- PHIL 221 |                                                      |

Select one of the following: 3

- CMPSC 100 | Computer Fundamentals and Applications                        |
- CMPSC 101 | Introduction to Programming                                  |
Select one of the following: MIS 103 Microcomputer Applications in Business 6-8

- PHYS 150 Technical Physics I
- & PHYS 151 and Technical Physics II
- PHYS 250 Introductory Physics I
- & PHYS 251 and Introductory Physics II

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**
Select 20-25 credits from approved departmental list of BIOLOGICAL/MATH/PHYSICAL SCIENCES

1 PHYS 250 and PHYS 251 and MATH 140 are recommended for students planning to continue in baccalaureate programs of science.