General Studies
Associate of Arts

Texas Southmost College
Division of Humanities

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board adopted requirements for a 42-hour core curriculum. Students pursuing an Associate of Arts, Associate of Science or an Associate of Fine Arts degree are required to complete these curriculum requirements. The Core Curriculum is designed to provide the skills and knowledge necessary for an educated person to read, write and speak effectively; to use mathematics competently, to exercise critical thinking skills; and to promote a lifestyle of sound well-being. It equips students with the ability to listen and respond to differing views and to work with others to seek, analyze and use information in completing tasks and solving problems. A student who completes the 42-hour Core Curriculum at Texas Southmost College may transfer the block of courses to any other Texas public college or public university. That college or university must count it for their Core Curriculum. The student will receive credit for each of the courses transferred. Although Core Curriculum requirements are satisfied, some courses in the Core may not apply to a degree plan at the receiving college or university.

FIRST YEAR - FALL SEMESTER	**CREDIT HOURS**
ENGL 1301[+] Composition I	3
XXXX X3XX[+] Mathematics	3
HIST 1301 United States History I	3
XXXX X3XX[4] Component Area Option	3
XXXX X3XX Elective	3

FIRST YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
ENGL 1302 Composition II	3
HIST 1302 United States History II	3
XXXX X3XX[3] Life and Physical Sciences	3
XXXX X3XX Elective	3
XXXX X3XX Elective	3

SECOND YEAR - FALL SEMESTER	
ENGL 2341 Forms of Literature	3
GOVT 2305 Federal Government	3
XXXX X3XX[3] Life and Physical Sciences	3
XXXX X3XX Elective	3
XXXX X3XX Elective	3

SECOND YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
GOVT 2306 Government	3
XXXX X3XX[1] Creative Arts Elective	3
XXXX X3XX[4] Component Area Option	3
XXXX X3XX[2] Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
XXXX X3XX Elective	3

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION - 60

[+] Grade of "C" or better is required for graduation.
[1] Creative Arts Elective: Any General Education Core course in this category.
[2] Social and Behavioral Sciences Electives: Any General Education Core course that meets these categories.
[3] Life and Physical Sciences: Any General Education Core course that meets these categories
[4] Component Area Options: Any course in the Component Area Option (CAO) Category found in the General Education Core Curriculum

TSI Requirement (Texas Success Initiative - any other state-approved test) - Student must pass all three sections of state-approved test to graduate with this degree.