

Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT)

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All Missouri community colleges offer the Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) degree option for students wishing to transfer to a four-year college or university to pursue a bachelor's degree in teacher education. Most public and private four-year colleges and universities articulate the AAT with their bachelor's degree programs.

The AAT curriculum is based on the Missouri Standards for Teacher Education and mid-preparation benchmarks approved by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). This common curriculum ensures that students will meet the competencies identified by DESE after the second year of postsecondary education.

For updated information regarding the AAT degree, please contact Dee Coleman, Teacher Education Program Coordinator, at DeeColeman@macc.edu.

Students are strongly encouraged to consult an advisor and the transfer institution before enrolling in courses to ensure that all selected courses will transfer.

Taken	Course	Semester	Hours	Milestone*
		First Semester		
	HST105 <u>or</u> HST106 <u>or</u> PSC105	American History to 1865 <u>or</u> American History from 1865 <u>or</u> Introduction to American Government	3	
	LAL101	^Composition I	3	LAL101
	MTH140 <u>or</u> MTH142 <u>or</u> MTH150 <u>or</u> MTH160	^College Algebra <u>or</u> ^Quantitative Reasoning <u>or</u> ^Precalculus <u>or</u> ^Elementary Statistics	3	MTH140 <u>or</u> MTH142 <u>or</u> MTH150 <u>or</u> MTH160
	PSY101	General Psychology	3	PSY101
	SPK101	Public Speaking	3	
			15	
		Second Semester		
	EDU220	^Foundations of Education in a Diverse Society	3	EDU220
	EDU235	^Educational Technology	3	
	LAL102	^Composition II	3	
		Select from any Core 42 Approved Humanities***	3	
	PSY205	^Human Lifespan Development	3	
			15	
		Third Semester		
		Biological Science**	3-5	
	EDU225	^Teaching Professions with Field Experience	3	
	EDU233	^Multicultural Education	3	
	EDU245	^Educational Psychology	3	
	LAL252	Children's Literature for the Elementary Teacher <u>or</u> other Literature course for Secondary Education	3	
			15-17	
		Fourth Semester		
		Select from any Core 42 Approved Humanities***	3	
	EDU242	^Education of Exceptional Learners	3	
		Elective****	2-3	
		Elective****	3	
		Physical Science**	3-5	
			14-16	
		Minimum Required Hours for Degree	60-61	

*It is strongly recommended that students successfully complete the Milestone courses as planned on the academic map to ensure completion of the degree in two years. In addition, if students do not successfully complete the Milestone course(s), they are strongly encouraged to re-enroll in the course(s) the following semester.

^Please refer to the college catalog and course descriptions for pre/co-requisite and placement information. You can only register for these courses if you have met the prerequisite, placed into the course, and/or enrolled in the co-requisite course(s).

Degree Requirements

1. General Education (37 hours required):

General education credits should be carefully selected with the help of an advisor whenever possible to meet degree requirements and prerequisites and to address the level and area of teacher preparation.

2. Teacher Education Core Courses (18 credit hours required):

EDU 220 Foundations of Education in a Diverse Society (3 hours)

EDU 225 Teaching Profession w/ Field Experience (3 hours)

EDU 233 Multicultural Education (3 hours)

EDU 242 Education of Exceptional Learners (3 hours)

EDU 235 Educational Technology (3 hours)

EDU 245 Educational Psychology (3 hours)

3. **Biological & Physical Science (7 credit hours required):

The AAT degree requires a student to complete a minimum of 7 credit hours in science. In addition, the science courses must represent each discipline (BIO and PHY), and one of the science courses must include a lab.

4. ***Humanities (6 credit hours required):

Complete a minimum of two, Core 42 Humanities courses.

There is a limit of three (3) credit hours of Performance (PERF) courses that can be applied to Humanities.

5. ****Electives (5 credit hours required):

Electives can be chosen from education electives (e.g., EDU210 for Elementary Education majors), content areas, specific Early Childhood Education courses (ECE110, ECE120, ECE130, ECE140), or other approved courses. Choosing electives with an advisor or transfer institution is recommended to meet degree requirements, prerequisites, and teacher preparation plans.

6. Total Required Hours for AAT Degree = 60 credit hours

7. Other AAT Degree Requirements:

- Students must achieve a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5.
- Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all required Teacher Education Core courses.
- Four-year transfer institutions may have additional requirements, including higher grade point average or ACT scores.
- Students are encouraged to work closely with an advisor from the receiving institution to understand and prepare for all entrance requirements.

Additional Graduation Requirement

Missouri law, included in Senate Bill 807, requires every college student pursuing an associate's or bachelor's degree at a public institution to pass the Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement Examination with at least a 70 percent to graduate. The rule will apply to the incoming class of first-time college students in the fall of 2019 and all students thereafter.