

# Avila University Core Curriculum

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## Program Description

The Associate of Arts, AA (<https://catalog.jccc.edu/archives/2025-26/degreerequirements/associate-arts/>) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students pursuing the AA may select courses that satisfy both the AA degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor's degree at four-year institutions. The elective hours within the AA allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors. The AA degree requires completion of 60 credit hours. Meeting with a JCCC counselor (<https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/counseling/academic-counseling/>) is strongly recommended for selection of appropriate courses.

The Avila Core Curriculum manifests Avila's commitment to higher education grounded in the Liberal Arts. The Core Curriculum is divided into three levels of requirements that students complete while meeting the requirements for their baccalaureate degrees.

- Skills Level requirements develop fundamental skills key for both academic and professional success.
- Liberal Arts Level requirements provide diverse disciplinary lenses through which to examine the world. Concepts learned and viewpoints experienced at this level promote critical thinking and ethical decision-making with reference to real-life situations across the humanities, natural sciences, social sciences, and arts.
- Core Component Designations requirements focus on seeing beyond the self, immediate community, or chosen discipline. Designations include Interdisciplinary Studies, Global Studies, and Community Engagement, all of which call for application of learning across boundaries.
- All students must complete the Avila University Core Curriculum as part of their degree programs. The Core consists of a minimum of 38 credit hours that meet the requirements below.

# Transfer students coming to Avila with an Associate of Arts (AA), a Bachelor's degree, or higher degree from an institution accredited by accreditors recognized by both the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and the US Department of Education (USDE), or regional accrediting bodies, will be considered to have completed all Skills and Liberal Arts level requirements in the Core Curriculum. They are still required to complete the following Core Component Designations:

# IS-Interdisciplinary Studies (3 credit hours)

# GS-Global Studies or CE-Community Engagement (3 credit hours)

# Any core courses specifically required as part of the general education curriculum for the student's major not previously completed

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# IS-Interdisciplinary Studies (3 credit hours)

# GS-Global Studies or CE-Community Engagement (3 credit hours)

# Any core courses specifically required as part of the general education curriculum for the student's major not previously completed

# FS 101 - First-Year Seminar (1 hours) under Skills Level, is waived for transfer students.

- Credit/No Credit Policy: No major courses specifically required for the major may be taken CR/NC. No more than 12 hours of the CR/NC grade option are applied toward an Avila University Degree. Visit the Avila University catalog (<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcatalog.avila.edu%2Findex.php%3Fcatoid%3D25&data=05%7C02%7Cdshirle4%40jccc.edu%7C80c367635d714cbe65d708de11914fbc%7C15244239dcf245e7aefd127b69fc5438%7C1%7C0%7C638967513002616121%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIlwLjAuMDAwMCIslIAiOiJXaW4zMilslkFOLjoiTWFPbCIsIldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=6daHCw4qwDCIZFVh1%2FmtsKz6RkE1sZKJJXVksHxWW1M%3D&reserved=0>) for more information.

*It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate information about the program, you must meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.*

## Program Requirements

### Avila Core Curriculum Requirements:

Course Code	Course Title	Course Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
Code	Title	Hours			

#### SKILLS LEVEL (7 credit hours)

#### Composition (3 credit hours)

#### Select one of the following:

ENGL 121	Composition I*	3	EN 111	Composition I : Rhetorical Discourse^	
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ENGL 119	College Composition I with Review*	5	EN 111 Composition I : Rhetorical Discourse^	
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3	EN 112	English Composition II 3

**Communication (3 credit hours)**

**Select one of the following:**

COMS 120	Interpersonal Communication	3	CO 110 Fundamentals of Communication^	
COMS 121	Public Speaking	3	CO 110 Fundamentals of Communication^	
COMS 125	Personal Communication	3	CO 110	Fund. of Communication 3

**LIBERAL ARTS LEVEL (25-28 credit hours)**

**Arts (choose one course - 3 credit hours required)**

ARTH 180	Art History: Ancient to Medieval	3	AR 181	Survey of Art I: Ancient World 3
ARTH 182	Art History: Renaissance to Modern	3	AR 183	Survey of Art II:Ren-Modernism 3
MUS 121	Introduction to Music Listening	3	MU 121 Music: Fingerprints of Culture	

**Select one of the following:**

PHOT 100	Digital Photography Basics for Non-Majors	3	AR 221 Beginning Photography	
PHOT 200	Foundations in Photography	3	AR 221 Beginning Photography	
PHOT 201	Photography I*	4	AR 221 Beginning Photography	
THEA 120	Introduction to Theater	3	TR 110 The World of Theatre	

**History (choose one course – 3 credit hours required)**

HIST 140	U.S. History to 1877	3	HI 203 American Experience I	
HIST 141	U.S. History Since 1877	3	HI 204 American Experience II	
HIST 151	World History: Traditional	3	HI 201 Ancient History Culture	
HIST 152	World History: Modern World	3	HI 202 Modern History Culture	

**Literature /Rhetoric (choose one course - 3 credit hours required)**

ENGL 216	African-American Literature*	3	EN 271 African-American Literature	
ENGL 217	Literature by Women*	3	EN 275 Gender Literature	
ENGL 222	Advanced Composition: The Art of the Essay*	3	EN 213	Writing with Style 3
ENGL 223	Introduction to Creative Writing*	3	EN 233 Creative Writing	
ENGL 251	World Literature to 1620*	3	EN 278 Global Literature	

**Mathematics (choose one course – 3-5 credit hours required)**

MATH 151	Contemporary Mathematics*	3	MA 115	Applications of College Math 3
MATH 161	Elementary Statistics*	3	MA 155 Elementary Probability Statistics	
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3	MA 120	Elementary Statistics 3
MATH 173	Precalculus*	5	MA 125	Precalculus 4-5

MATH 241	Calculus I*	5	MA 241	Calculus/Analytic Geometry I	5
<b>Natural Science (choose one course – 4-5 credit hours required – must include a lab)</b>					
BIOL 135	Principles of Cell and Molecular Biology	4	BI 111	General Biology: Cells Genes	
<b>Select one of the following:</b>					
BIOL 127	General Zoology	5	BI 112	General Biology: Ecology Evolution	
BIOL 150	Biology of Organisms*	5	BI 112	General Biology: Ecology Evolution	
<b>Select one of the following:</b>					
CHEM 120	Chemistry in Society*	4	CH 131	Principles of Chemistry	
CHEM 122	Principles of Chemistry*	5	CH 131	Principles of Chemistry	
CHEM 124	General Chemistry I Lecture*	4	CH 135	General Chemistry I	4
EVRN 130	Environmental Science	3	BI 115 & NS 211	Humans The Environment and Environmental Science	4
GEOS 130	General Geology	5	NS 221	Physical Geology	4
<b>Select one of the following:</b>					
PHYS 130	College Physics I*	5	PH 231	General Physics I	5
PHYS 220	Engineering Physics I*	5	PH 231	General Physics I	
<b>Philosophy (choose one course – 3 credit hours required)</b>					
EVRN 155	Bioethics*	3	PL 260	Bioethics	3
PHIL 121	Introduction to Philosophy	3	PL 111	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL 124	Logic and Critical Thinking	3	PL 113	Critical Reasoning	3
PHIL 143	Ethics	3	PL 255	Ethics	3
PHIL 176	Philosophy of Religion	3	RS 221	Belief Reason	
<b>Religious Studies (choose one course – 3 credit hours required)</b>					
REL 120	Exploring World Religions	3	RS 117	World Religions	3
PHIL 176	Philosophy of Religion	3	RS 221	Belief Reason	
<b>Social Sciences (choose one course - 3 credit hours required)</b>					
CJ 121	Introduction to Criminal Justice System	3	CR 264	Introduction to Criminology	
ECON 231	Principles of Microeconomics	3	EC 202	Microeconomics	3
JOUR 120	Mass Media and Society	3	CO 225	Mass Media and Society	3
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3	PY 101	General Psychology	3
SOC 122	Introduction to Sociology	3	SO 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
<b>Select one of the following:</b>					
SOC 125	Social Problems	3	SW 205	Introduction to Social Work	3
SOC 146	Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare	3	SO/SW 205	Social Problems/Social Change	

**CORE COMPONENT (6-16 credit hours)** Students entering Avila as **Transfer students** must complete credit hours in core component areas based on the number of transfer credits completed at the time of admission to Avila University.

**29 credits or fewer:** Same requirements as first-year students, 6 credits of IS courses and 6 credits of GS/CE courses.

**30 credits or more:** Must complete 3 credits of IS courses and 3 credits of GS/CE courses.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Interdisciplinary Studies (IS)</b>	<b>Must be taken at Avila</b>	
<b>Global Studies (GS) or Community Engagement (CE)</b>	<b>Must be taken at Avila</b>	

\* JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

^ A grade of "C" or better is required.

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