

Liberal Arts Programs

Associate of Arts (AA)

Associate of Applied Sciences (AAS)

Computer Information Technology

Criminal Justice

Early Childhood Education

General Business

Office Occupations

Associate of Science (AS)

Business

Education

Associate of Performance and Media Arts (APMA)

Technical Certificate (TC)

Accounting

Certificate of General Studies

Computer Information Technology

Early Childhood Education

Entrepreneurship

General Business

Office Occupations

Certificate of Proficiency (CP)

Computer Information Technology – Computer Networking

Computer Information Technology – Computer Support Specialist

Criminal Justice

Early Childhood Education

Law Enforcement

Office Occupations

ACCOUNTING

Technical Certificate

This program prepares students for entry level positions in the field of accounting. Graduates from the program will be qualified for positions in general accounting, payroll accounting, tax accounting, and inventory management, and as bookkeepers and bank tellers. Computerized accounting will be integrated in much of the coursework.

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ACCT 2003	Principles of Accounting I	3
ADMS 1013	Fundamental of Keyboarding OR	3
	Business Elective**	
MATH 1333	Math for Business Applications OR	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra	
BUSI 1003	The American Enterprise System	3
CSCI 2143	Microcomputers: Business Applications	3
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		18

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ACCT 2103	Principles of Accounting II	3
ACCT 2113	Computerized Accounting Systems	3
BUSI 2063	Business Communications	3
CSCI 2413	Advanced Microsoft Office OR	3
CSCI 2223	Excel	
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
	Business Elective**	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		18
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		36

**Business Elective (BUS, ACCT, CSCI, ADMS, ENTR, BLAW, or MGMT)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

This 60-hour sequence of courses is designed to fulfill the general requirements of the first two years of study for a four-year degree. Of the courses listed below, 46 hours are required, but students may choose 14 additional hours from the same list as electives to complete the 60 hours required for the degree. Students wishing to transfer should ask for a transfer guide from the college or university where they plan to pursue their baccalaureate. Students may earn certificates and degrees from more than one program in an academic year, but only the highest certificate or degree in any program will be awarded.

General Transfer

English/Communications

Nine hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
ENGL 1113	Composition I (“C” or better)
ENGL 1123	Composition II
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech

Mathematics

Three hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
MATH 1023	College Algebra
MATH 1033	Plane Trigonometry
MATH 1113	Quantitative Literacy
MATH 2015	Calculus I

Social Science –Minimum of fifteen hours total*

*Must include one course from the following: History of the United State to 1876; History of the United States since 1876.

History (six hours minimum) **

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700
HIST 1013	History of Civilization since 1700
HIST 2013	History of the United States to 1876
HIST 2023	History of the United States since 1876

** Must include one course from the following: History of Civilization to 1700; History of Civilization since 1700.

Social Science (minimum of six hours in two different fields)

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
ECON 2003	Macroeconomic Principles
GEOG 2003	Introduction to Geography
PSCI 2003	American Government: National
PSYC 2003	General Psychology
SOCI 2003	Introduction to Sociology

*Must include American Government: National.

Natural Science-Eight hours total*Biological Science*-Four hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
BIOL 1004/L	Fundamental of Biology/Lab
BIOL 1024/L	Zoology/Lab
BIOL 1034/L	General Botany/Lab
BIOL 2064/L	Human Anatomy & Physiology I / Lab
BIOL 2074/L	Human Anatomy & Physiology II / Lab

Physical Science-Four hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
CHEM 1014/L	College Chemistry Principles I / Lab
GEOL 1004/L	Physical Geology
GEOL1014/L	Historical Geology
PHYS 1004/L	The Physical Sciences/Lab

Fine Arts and Humanities—Nine total; must include three hours of Literature I or II:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
ENGL 2213	Literature I
ENGL 2223	Literature II
ENGL 2653	American Literature I
ENGL 2663	American Literature II
ARTI 2003	Art Appreciation
MUSI 2003	Music Appreciation
THEA 2003	Theatre Appreciation
PHIL 2003	Introduction to Philosophy

Health and Physical Education

Two hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
PHED 1001	P. E. Activity

OR

Three hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
HPER 1403	Personal and Community Health

The following outline is a suggested course of study and will vary considerably from student to student.

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
	College Algebra, Plane Trig, Quantitative Literacy, or Calculus I	3
HPER 1403	Personal and Community Health OR	1-3
	P.E. Activity Class	
	Social Science	3
	Fine Arts/Humanities	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		13-15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
	Natural Science / Lab	4
	Social Science	3
	Fine Arts/Humanities	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		16

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
	Social Science	3
	Natural Science / Lab	4
	Fine Arts/Humanities	3
	Electives	6
Semester Credit Hour Total		16

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
	Social Science	6
	Electives	9
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
PROGRAM CREDIT HOURS		60-62

CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL STUDIES

Technical Certificate

The Certificate of General Studies is designed to recognize the completion of a general education core of 34 credits. This program allows students to earn an award after approximately one year of college education. The program is transferable to four year colleges in Arkansas and should have good transferability to colleges in other states. Students should always contact the university to which they wish to transfer for more information.

English/Communications

Nine hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
ENGL 1113	Composition I ("C" or better)
ENGL 1123	Composition II
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech

Mathematics

Three hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
MATH 1023	College Algebra
MATH 1113	Quantitative Literacy

Social Science

Total of nine hours from the following:

U.S. History or American Government-Three hours taken from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700
HIST 1013	History of Civilization Since 1700
HIST 2013	History of the United States to 1876
HIST 2023	History of the United States Since 1876
PSCI 2003	American Government: National

Social Science Courses-Six hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
PSCI 2003	American Government: National
PSYC 2003	General Psychology
SOCI 2003	Introduction to Sociology
ECON 2003	Macroeconomic Principles
GEOG 2003	Introduction to Geography

Natural Science

Total of four hours from the following:

Biological Science

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
BIOL 1004/L	Fundamentals of Biology/Lab
BIOL 1024/L	Zoology/Lab
BIOL 1034/L	General Botany/Lab
BIOL 2064/L	Human Anatomy & Physiology I / Lab
BIOL 2074/L	Human Anatomy & Physiology II / Lab

Physical Science

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
CHEM 1014/L	Chemistry Principles I / Lab
GEOL 1004/L	Physical Geology/ Lab
GEOL 1014/L	Historical Geology/ Lab
PHYS 1004/L	The Physical Sciences/ Lab

Technology

Three hours from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing OR
	Technology Elective

Fine Arts/Humanities

Six hours taken from the following:

COURSE #	COURSE NAME
ARTI 2003	Art Appreciation
ENGL 2213	Literature I
ENGL 2223	Literature II
ENGL 2653	American Literature I
ENGL 2663	American Literature II
MUSI 2003	Music Appreciation
THEA 2003	Theatre Appreciation
PHIL 2003	Introduction to Philosophy

The following outline is a suggested course of study and will vary considerably from student to student.

Certificate of General Studies (CGS)

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra OR	3
MATH 1113	Quantitative Literacy	
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing OR Technology Elective	3
	Social Science	6
	Fine Arts/Humanities	3
	Semester Credit Hour Total	18

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
	Natural Science / Lab	4
	Social Science	3
	Fine Arts/Humanities	3
	Semester Credit Hour Total	16
	PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL	34

COMPUTER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Technical Certificate Track First Year

Associate of Applied Science Second Year

This program emphasizes the basic concepts of computer systems and provides training for entry-level positions. The degree is structured so that the various pathways provide options so that students may individualize their credential to their specific career goals., SouthArk's objective is for students to gain the knowledge, professional confidence, and intellectual maturity to secure higher-level jobs. Students should consult their advising coach regarding individual pathways.

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ACCT 2003	Principles of Accounting I OR	3
ADMS 1003	Introductory Accounting	
CSCI 1263	Windows Operating Systems	3
CSCI 1513	Computer Careers and Professional Development	3
CSCI 2023	Visual Basic for Windows	3
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
CSCI 2143	Microcomputers: Business Applications	3
BUSI 2063	Business Communications	3
BUSI 2043	Customer Service and Support	3
MATH 1333	Math for Business Applications OR	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra	
CSCI 1323	Networking Fundamentals	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
Technical Certificate		

Additional courses for Associate of Applied Science

Students may complete any one of the three specialized pathways to satisfy the requirements for the AAS in Computer Information Technology. Students completing a second track will not receive a second degree since all three earn the same AAS in Computer Information Technology. Students should consult their advising coach regarding individual pathways.

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II OR	3
ENGL 2043	Technical Writing for Industry	
CSCI 1813	Principles of Information Assurance	3
ECON 2003	Macroeconomic Principles	3
CSCI	Approved Restricted Elective	3
CSCI	Approved Restricted Elective	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
CSCI	Approved Restricted Elective	3
CSCI	Approved Restricted Elective	3
CSCI	Approved Restricted Elective	3
CSCI or BUSI	Approved Restricted Elective	3
	Semester Credit Hour Total	15
	PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL	60

Approved Restricted Electives		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
CSCI 1114	IT Essentials	4
CSCI 1713	Alternative Operating Systems	3
CSCI 2053	Java Script	3
CSCI 2203	Database	3
CSCI 2223	Excel	3
CSCI 2351	Special Topics	1
CSCI 2352	Special Topics	2
CSCI 2353	Special Topics	3
CSCI 2361	Special Topics	1
CSCI 2362	Special Topics	2
CSCI 2363	Special Topics	3
CSCI 2373	Windows Server	3
CSCI 2383	Linux Server	3
CSCI 2603	Cisco I	3
CSCI 2613	Cisco II	3
CSCI 2703	Professional Projects and Portfolios	3
BUSI 1003	American Enterprise System	3
BUSI 2013	Business Statistics	3

**COMPUTER NETWORKING
Certificate of Proficiency***

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
CSCI 2373	Windows Server	3
CSCI 1323	Networking Fundamentals	3
CSCI 2143	Microcomputers: Business Application	3
CSCI 1813	Principles of Information Assurance	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		12

*Pre-requisites: BSTD 0603 English I and BSTD 0613 English II

**COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST
Certificate of Proficiency***

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
CSCI 1263	Windows Operating Systems	3
CSCI 2143	Microcomputers: Business Application	3
CSCI 1114	IT Essentials	4
CSCI 2023	Visual Basics for Windows OR	3
CSCI 1323	Networking Fundamentals OR	
CSCI 1813	Principles of Information Assurance	
Semester Credit Hour Total		13

*Pre-requisite: BSTD English II

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Associate of Applied Science

This program leads to the Associate of Applied Science degree and is intended for students who are seeking a career in law enforcement or for professional law enforcement officers wishing to upgrade career skills.

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
PSCI 2003	American Government: National	3
CRJU 1103	Introduction to Criminal Justice*	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
PSCI 2013	American Government: State and Local	3
CRJU 2303	Rules of Criminal Evidence & Procedures	3
SOCI 2003	Introduction to Sociology	3
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700 OR	3
HIST 1013	History of Civilization Since 1700	
CRJU 2403	Criminal Investigation Techniques	3
PSYC 2223	Developmental Psychology	3
CRJU 2503	Arkansas Criminal Law	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra OR	3
MATH 1073	Technical Mathematics	
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2013	History of U.S. to 1876 OR	3
HIST 2023	History of U.S. Since 1876	
CRJU 2103	Police Administration	3
SOCI 2033	Marriage and the Family	3
PSYC 2203	Abnormal Psychology	3
CRJU 2603	Arkansas Juvenile Law and Procedures	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		60

*Six hours equivalent credit will be given for persons holding a certificate of completion from the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy, and Introduction to Criminal Justice (CRJU 1103) will not be a required course.

Basic Studies Requirements

Reading: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 43 or above (or) COMPASS 83 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 or above (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Writing: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 45 or above (or) COMPASS 80 or above (or) Accuplacer 83 or above (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Math: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET Intermediate Algebra Skills 43 or above (or) COMPASS 71 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 or above (or) complete BSTD 0513 Intermediate Algebra.

Those students whose basic studies scores are below minimum levels must enroll in basic studies courses and may concurrently enroll in program courses with the instructor's permission. Minimum levels of basic skills must be attained prior to completion of the program.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Certificate of Proficiency

This certificate is designed to help students gain entry level experience with the Criminal Justice program. These courses will help the student understand the basics of the criminal justice degree and help them to better understand their role in the judicial system.

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
CRJU 1103	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CRJU 2503	Arkansas Criminal Law	3
CRJU 2303	Rules of Criminal Evidence & Procedures	3
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		9

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Certificate of Proficiency

This certificate is designed to help students gain entry level experience with Law Enforcement. These courses will help the student understand the basics of law enforcement and help them to better understand their role in law enforcement.

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
CRJU 2603	Arkansas Juvenile Law and Procedures	3
CRJU 2403	Criminal Investigation Techniques	3
CRJU 2103	Police Administration	3
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		9

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Technical Certificate

The Entrepreneurship program is designed to prepare students to start, develop, finance, manage and harvest new ventures with high growth potential. Students will examine current academic theory, best practices in the field and will be exposed to successful practicing entrepreneurs. Courses are presented within an active learning environment so that students develop the necessary skills to initiate their own ventures, join the family business, or work in entrepreneurial firms anywhere in the world.

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
ACCT 2003	Principles of Accounting I	3
MATH 1073	Technical Math	3
ENTR 1003	Introduction to Entrepreneurship	3
BLAW 2013	Legal Environment of Business I	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		18

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
ACCT 2103	Principles of Accounting II	3
ENTR 2033	Opportunity and Feasibility	3
ENTR 2003	Professional Selling & Advertising	3
BUSI 2063	Business Communications	3
	Business Elective**	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		18
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		36

**Business Electives: BUS, ACCT, CSCI, ADMS, ECON, MGMT

Basic Studies Requirements

Reading: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 43 or above (or) COMPASS 83 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 or above (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Writing: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 45 or above (or) COMPASS 80 or above (or) Accuplacer 83 or above (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Math - ACT 17 or above (or) ASSET Numerical Skills 34 or above (or) COMPASS 26 or above (or) Accuplacer 50 and above (or) complete BSTD 0413 Elementary Algebra the Pre-requisite for MATH 1073 Technical Math.

GENERAL BUSINESS
Technical Certificate First Year
Associate of Applied Science Second Year

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ADMS 1003	Introductory Accounting	3
BUSI 1003	The American Enterprise System OR	3
ENTR 1003	Introduction to Entrepreneurship	
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
MGMT 1113	Introduction to Management	3
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
MATH 1023	College Algebra OR	3
MATH 1333	Math Applications for Business	
BUSI 2063	Business Communications	3
ACCT 2003	Principles of Accounting I	3
CSCI 2143	Microcomputers: Business Applications	3
BLAW 2013	Legal Environment of Business	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
Technical Certificate		

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECON 2003	Macroeconomic Principles	3
CSCI 2223	Excel	3
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
ACCT 2103	Principles of Accounting II	3
BUSI 2013	Business Statistics	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
BUSI 2043	Customer Service and Support	3
ACCT 2113	Computerized Accounting Systems	3
ENGL 2123	Advanced Grammar and Composition	3
ECON 2103	Microeconomic Principles	3
	Approved Business Elective*	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		60

*SUGGESTED ELECTIVES		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
BUSI 2903	Special Topics in Business	3
CSCI 2703	Professional Projects and Portfolio Design	3
ENTR 2003	Professional Sales and Advertising	3
MGMT 2113	Management Skills	3
MGMT 1114	Job Practicum	4
CSCI 1113	Social Media	3
Other courses with approval of Dean.		

*Business Electives: BUS, ACCT, CSCI, ADMS, ENTR, BLAW, or MGMT

OFFICE OCCUPATIONS
(Formerly Administrative Assistant Technology)

Certificate of Proficiency First Semester

Technical Certificate First Year

Associate of Applied Science Second Year

This program provides education to students seeking employment in this challenging and rewarding career. Graduates of this program are employed in support roles in businesses, schools, or wherever organizational, computer, and interpersonal skills are important. The program offers a certificate of proficiency for approximately one semester (five months) of college work. The program features courses in word processing, accounting, management, business communications, electronic publishing, psychology, and English.

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ACCT 2003	Principles of Accounting I OR	3
ADMS 1003	Introductory to Accounting	
ADMS 1023	Intermediate Keyboarding	3
ADMS 2083	Administrative Technology	3
CSCI 2143	Microcomputer's Business Applications	3
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
MGMT 1113	Introduction to Management	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		18
Certificate of Proficiency		

A certificate of proficiency may be awarded to an Office Occupations student completing the courses listed for the first semester if the student has a minimum score of 49 on the Numerical Skills section of the Accuplacer.

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
BUSI 2063	Business Communications	3
MATH 1333	Math for Business Applications OR	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra	
CSCI 1903	Desktop Publishing I	3
CSCI 2413	Advanced Microsoft Office OR	3
CSCI 2223	Excel	
	Business Elective**	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
Technical Certificate		

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
BUSI 1003	The American Enterprise System	3
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology OR	3
SOC 2003	Introduction to Sociology	
ENGL 2123	Advanced Grammar and Composition	3
BUSI 2043	Customer Service and Support	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
MGMT 2113	Management Skills	3
ADMS 2703	Professional Projects and Portfolio Design	3
	Business Elective**	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		9
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		60

**Business Elective (BUS, ACCT, CSCI, ADMS, ENTR, BLAW, MGMT)

PERFORMANCE AND MEDIA ARTS

Associate of Performance and Media Arts Degree

This program is intended to provide performers and technicians for the entertainment industry and affords students the opportunity to train in one concentration in the classroom and cross-train in two others through a series of musical, dramatic, and film projects that they work on together.

Film Concentration

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
COMM 1103	Introduction to Film	3
MATH 1073	Technical Math	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
COMM 2303	Film: Pre-Production	3
THEA 2633	Acting I	3
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
	Fine Arts Elective*	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2013	History of U.S. to 1876 OR	3
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700	
COMM 1403	Film Editing/Post Production	3
COMM 2403	Film Production and Design	3
COMM 1013	Scriptwriting	3
	Social Science Elective**	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2023	History of U.S. since 1876 OR	3
HIST 1013	History of Civilization since 1700	
COMM 2203	Documentary Film- Making	3
COMM 1503	Lighting	3
COMM 1303	Audio Production	3
COMM	Elective***	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		60

*Fine Arts Electives: Literature I or II, Theatre Appreciation, Music or Art Appreciation

**Social Science Electives: History of U.S. to 1876, History of U.S. since 1876, History of Civilization to 1700, History of Civilization since 1700, or Introduction to Sociology

***Program Electives: Theatre Production I, II, or III; American Cinema, Scriptwriting, Media Ethics, Internship, Documentary Film-making, Sound Design for Film, Makeup, Digital Photography, Songwriting, or Costuming.

Theatre Concentration

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
THEA 1103	Introduction to Theatre	3
MATH 1073	Technical Math	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
THEA 2003	Theatre Appreciation	3
THEA 2633	Acting I	3
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
THEA 1023	Theatre Production I	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2013	History of U.S. to 1876 OR	3
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700	
THEA 2643	Acting II	3
COMM 1013	Scriptwriting	3
THEA 2013	Theatre Production II	3
	Fine Arts Elective*	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2023	History of U.S. since 1876 OR	3
HIST 1013	History of Civilization since 1700	
THEA 2123	Directing	3
COMM 1503	Lighting	3
THEA 2023	Theatre Production III	3
	Program Elective**	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		60

* Fine Arts Electives: Literature I or II, Music Appreciation, or Art Appreciation

** Program Electives: Stagecraft, Internship, Makeup, Costume, or Audio Production

Music Concentration

FIRST SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
MUSI 1083	Music Theory I	3
MATH 1073	Technical Math	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SECOND SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
MUSI 1302	Piano Class	2
MUSI 1111	Class Voice Instruction OR	1
MUSI 1231	Guitar Class I	
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
MUSI 2003	Music Appreciation	3
	Social Science Elective	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

THIRD SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2013	History of U.S. to 1876 OR	3
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700	
MUSI 1252	Sight Singing and Ear Training I	2
MUSI 1312	Piano Class	2
	Music Electives***	5
	Fine Arts Elective***	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FOURTH SEMESTER		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
HIST 2023	History of U.S. since 1876 OR	3
HIST 1013	History of Civilization since 1700	
MUSI 2413	Music Theory II	3
MUSI 2503	Music Performance	3
COMM 1303	Audio Production	3
	Music Electives ***	4
Semester Credit Hour Total		16
PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL		61

* Fine Arts Electives: Literature I or II, Theatre Appreciation, or Art Appreciation

** Social Science Electives: History of U.S. to 1876, History of U.S. since 1876, History of Civilization to 1700, History of Civilization since 1700, or Introduction to Sociology

*** Music Electives: Piano Class, Private Piano Instruction, Guitar Class, Private Guitar Instruction, Private Voice Instruction, Private Organ Instruction, and SouthArk Singers

TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education

The Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education (AAS-ECE) is for individuals who work in childcare facilities as managers, educators and caregivers. This degree in Early Childhood Education provides advanced courses in management, curriculum development and child guidance. It is designed to meet the mandatory competencies for the Birth through Pre-Kindergarten Teaching Credential required by Act 187, passed by the Arkansas Legislature during the 2009 session. This degree will allow graduates to apply for the Birth through Pre-Kindergarten Teaching Credential from the Division of Early Care and Education in the Department of Human Services. It will allow graduates to be ~~the~~ lead teachers in a non-public school early childhood classroom or in a Head Start classroom as they continue to pursue a Bachelor's degree from a four-year institution. Students will also be qualified to serve as a paraprofessional in a public school pre-kindergarten classroom. It will NOT allow graduates to be lead teachers in a public school pre-kindergarten classroom. The Certificate of Proficiency allows students to meet the basic education requirements to apply for the Child Development Associate Credential (CDA) issued by the CDA Council in Washington, DC. This degree does not qualify students for direct transfer into a B.S.E. Teacher Education program.

1. Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all courses taken to satisfy the AAS degree in Early Childhood Education;
2. Students must maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 to remain in the program;
3. All students are required to have a current cleared child maltreatment background check, a cleared criminal background check, and a negative TB skin test.
4. All students must have a SouthArk Student Observer Badge.
5. Students who have not taken ECED or EDUC courses for a period of three semesters will be required to resubmit child maltreatment and criminal background clearances.

Associate of Science in Education

The Associate of Science in Education (ASE) is a two-year transfer degree designed to introduce students to the profession of teaching and prepare them to enter a teacher education program at a four-year institution. All students are required to have a current cleared child maltreatment background check and a cleared criminal background check and a SouthArk Student Observer Badge. In the course of acquiring the ASE students may also be eligible for a Certificate of General Studies.

In order to assure quality and equality with students who begin education majors at the four-year institutions, this degree has similar requirements:

1. Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in courses taken to satisfy the Associate of Science in Education;
2. Students must have a final grade-point average of at least 2.7. Please note that some four-year institutions require a higher GPA to enter their Teacher Education Program;
3. Students must pass PRAXIS Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE), an academic skills assessment that measures reading, writing, and mathematical skills to be accepted into a Teacher Education Program. Students should send score results to both SouthArk and the four-year program(s) they intend to attend.

Articulation

A program may be provided through partnership with four-year institutions which allows ASE students to complete their Bachelor's degree course work on the SouthArk campus using a variety of course delivery methods. Students transfer to the four-year institution after the completion of the ASE and follow the course of study prescribed by the four-year institution. South Arkansas Community College agrees to provide the facilities in which these classes meet but has no control over the course content, the structure of the courses, the professors who teach them, when the courses are scheduled, the grades that are awarded, or any other academic requirements for these courses. Information regarding current availability of 2+2 agreements is available through the Education Program Director. 2+2 agreements are subject to change.

Criminal Background and Child Maltreatment Clearances

All education and early childhood education students are required to have a criminal background clearance and a child maltreatment clearance prior to taking any education classes which require student observations. To maintain the safety of our young children the State of Arkansas has mandated that people with certain criminal convictions be disqualified from participation in child care and educational settings. The Education Program Director may be contacted for further information regarding obtaining these clearances. Students not complying with this requirement will not be permitted to perform observations and complete observation assignments. Students not complying with this requirement are subject to dismissal from the education program. Clearances are obtained at the student's expense through the college's vendor.

Dismissal from the Education/Early Childhood Education Program

The faculty and director reserve the right to dismiss any student for just cause. Just cause may be defined as: failure to provide a certified criminal background and child maltreatment clearance, excessive absenteeism, inability to pass required courses (core or program specific), unsatisfactory progress in practicum performance, moral and ethical misbehaviors, poor interpersonal skills, and insubordination. Insubordinate behaviors include but are not limited to the following: showing disrespect to the instructor and other students and refusing to comply with the instructor's directions and policies as outlined in course syllabi and by college policy. Participation is determined by physical attendance or logging into a course, and participation is determined by timely submission of assignments. Lack of attendance/participation may lead to instructors withdrawing students from a course due to excessive absenteeism.

Students making unsatisfactory progress in any of the areas mentioned above will be subject to a Three-Step Dismissal Process: the first offense results in an oral warning, the second offense a written warning, and the third offense in removal from the program. The offenses occurring in any ECED OR EDUC course throughout the students' time at SouthArk are cumulative.

Unsatisfactory progress is communicated through Early Alert, guidance and intervention forms, warning letters, and/or academic probation.

Early Childhood Education

Associate of Applied Science Degree

The Early Childhood Education program is designed to provide early childhood educators with the knowledge and skills to meet the developmental needs of young children, birth to pre-kindergarten. Upon completion of this 61-credit-hour program, graduates will be eligible for employment as early childhood center directors, teachers, teacher's aides and caregivers, and kindergarten or elementary classroom paraprofessionals.

Basic Studies Requirements:

Technical Certificate and AAS-ECE

Reading: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 43 or above (or) COMPASS 83 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Writing: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 45 or above (or) COMPASS 80 or above (or) Accuplacer 83 (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Math: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET Intermediate Algebra Skills 39 or above (or) COMPASS 41 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 or above (or) complete BSTD 0513 Intermediate Algebra.

Those students whose Basic Studies scores are below minimum levels must enroll in Basic Studies courses and may concurrently enroll in program courses with the instructor's permission. Minimum levels of basic skills must be attained prior to completion of the program.

English *Six hours*

ENGL 1113 Composition I

ENGL 1123 Composition II

Mathematics *Three hours*

MATH 1023 College Algebra

Computer Science *Three hours from the following*

CSCI 1003 Computer & Information Processing

EDUC 2313 Introduction to Educational Technology

Natural Science *Four hours from the following:*

BIOL 1004/L Fundamentals of Biology

PHYS 1004/L The Physical Sciences

Geography *Three hours*

GEOG 2003 Introduction to Geography

Psychology *Three hours*

PSYC 2003 General Psychology

Sociology *Three hours from the following:*

SOCI 2003 Introduction to Sociology

SOCI 2033 Marriage and the Family

Early Childhood Education 36 hours

ECED 1003	Foundations of Early Childhood Education
EDUC 2033	Child Growth and Development
ECED 1023	Environments for Young Children
ECED 1033	Practicum I
ECTC 2703	Pre-school Curriculum
ECTC 2303	Literacy and Language Arts for Early Childhood
ECTC 2803	Infant and Toddler Curriculum
EDUC 2023	Survey of Exceptional Children
ECTC 2503	Child Guidance
ECTC 2403	Math and Science for Early Childhood
ECED 2053	Administration of Pre-School Programs
ECTC 2903	Future Perspectives of Early Childhood Education

**Suggested Course of Study for AAS – Early Childhood Education
(All Basic Studies Class Completed)**

FALL—SEMESTER I		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECED 1003	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	3
EDUC 2033	Child Growth & Development	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing OR	3
ENGL 1110	Composition I	3
GEOG 2003	Introduction to Geography OR	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology	
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SPRING—SEMESTER II		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECED 1023	Environments for Young Children	3
ECED 1033	Practicum I	3
ECTC 2503	Child Guidance	3
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

FALL—SEMESTER III		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECTC 2303	Literacy & Language Arts for Early Childhood	3
ECTC 2403	Math and Science for Early Childhood	3
ECTC 2803	Infant & Toddler Curriculum	3
ECED 2053	Administration of Preschool Programs	3
PSYC 2003	General Psychology OR	3
GEOG 2003	Introduction to Geography	
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SPRING—SEMESTER IV		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECTC 2703	Preschool Curriculum	3
EDUC 2023	Survey of Exceptional Children	3
ECED 2053	Administration of Preschool Programs	3
SOCI 2003	Introduction to Sociology OR	3
SOCI 2033	Marriage and the Family	
BIOL 1004	Fundamentals of Biology/Lab OR	4
PHYS 1004	The Physical Sciences/Lab	
	Semester Credit Hour Total	16
	PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL	61

Technical Certificate in Early Childhood Education

The Early Childhood Education Technical Certificate contains courses in curriculum development and child behavior. *These courses are designed to meet the mandatory competencies for the Birth through Pre-Kindergarten Teaching Credential required by Act 187 passed by the Arkansas Legislature during the 2009 session.*

Basic Studies

BSTD 0603 English I
 BSTD 0613 English II
 BSTD 0513 Intermediate Algebra

Mathematics *Three hours from the following:*

MATH 1023 College Algebra

English Requirements *Six hours*

ENGL 1113 Composition I
 ENGL 1123 Composition II

Computer Technology *Three hours*

CSCI 1003 Computer Information Processing
 EDUC 2313 Introduction to Educational Technology

Psychology *Three hours*

PSYC 2003 General Psychology

Early Childhood Education *15 hours*

ECED 1033 Foundations of Early Childhood Education
 EDUC 2033 Child Growth and Development
 ECED 1023 Environments for Young Children
 ECED 1033 Technical Practicum I
 ECTC 2503 Child Guidance

FALL—SEMESTER I		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECED 1003	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	3
EDUC 2033	Child Growth & Development	3
CSCI 1003	Computers and Information Processing	3
ENGL 1110	Composition I	3
PSYC 2003	Introduction to Psychology	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SPRING—SEMESTER II		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ECED 1023	Environments for Young Children	3
ECED 1033	Practicum I	3
ECTC 2503	Child Guidance	3
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
MATH 1023	College Algebra	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15
TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE		30

Certificate of Proficiency in Early Childhood Education

The Certificate of Proficiency in Early Childhood Education, birth through prekindergarten, provides foundational courses in theory and practice for persons desiring to work with young children, birth through pre-kindergarten. **These courses may be used as the required 120 hours of professional training for the CDA credential.**

COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOURS
ECED 1003	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	3
EDUC 2033	Child Growth and Development	3
ECED 1023	Environments for Young Children	3
ECED 1033	Practicum I	3
ECED 1043	ECE Ethics and Professionalism (Elective)	(3)
Semester Credit Hour Total		12 (15)

These courses are designed to partially meet the mandatory competencies for Birth through Pre-Kindergarten Teaching Credential required by Act 187, passed by the Arkansas Legislature during the 2009 session.

Available Credentials from Other Agencies

SouthArk's early childhood education courses are designed to partially meet the requirements for the following credentials that are obtained through agencies outside of the college. Student's desiring to obtain these credentials are responsible to meet the criteria prescribed by the credentialing agency.

1. Arkansas Birth to Pre-K Teaching Credential

ECED courses have been developed to include core competencies for the Birth through Prekindergarten Teaching Credential as mandated by AR law 187 passed in March, 2009. A NOCTI exam is required for this credential.

2. Child Development Associate Credential (CDA)

This credential is issued by the Council for Professional Recognition from Washington, D.C. Courses taken for the Certificate of Proficiency in ECE meet the criteria of 120 hours of professional education. To obtain this credential candidates are required to provide proof of 480 hours of experience in an early childhood setting during the last 3 years, create a CDA portfolio, submit family questionnaires, take a CDA exam, be observed by a Professional Development Specialist and pay the assessment fee. For further information visit the website: www.cdacouncil.org

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

This degree option includes all of the general education courses required for the Associate of Arts degree plus additional courses from education. This degree option is intended to accommodate students interested in transferring their course work into a baccalaureate program in Teacher Education. Students who meet the graduation requirements of the ASE degree and who apply to one of these institutions may be granted admission to the Teacher Education program as juniors without loss of credits earned at SouthArk.

The degree plan consists of the General Education Core and up to nineteen credits in Education courses. Students should select the university they wish to attend to complete the baccalaureate degree and then enroll in the courses that are specified for that particular university. Students wishing to transfer need to meet with the SouthArk Education Program Director for additional information. Students taking the AS in Education degree program may also be eligible for a Certificate of General Studies by adding as an elective course CSCI 1003 Computer and Information Processing.

Basic Studies Requirements:

AS Education

Reading: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 43 or above (or) COMPASS 83 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 or above (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Writing: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET 45 or above (or) COMPASS 80 or above (or) Accuplacer 83 or above (or) complete BSTD 0613 English II.

Math: ACT 19 or above (or) ASSET Intermediate Algebra Skills 39 or above (or) COMPASS 41 or above (or) Accuplacer 78 or above (or) complete BSTD 0513 Intermediate Algebra.

Those students whose Basic Studies scores are below minimum levels must enroll in Basic Studies courses and may concurrently enroll in program courses with the instructor's permission. Minimum levels of basic skills must be attained prior to completion of the program.

Student requirements to be awarded the ASE degree

Have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher. (Please note that some four-year institutions require a higher GPA for acceptance into Teacher Education Programs).

Associate of Science in Education

Basic Studies

BSTD 0603 English I
 BSTD 0613 English II
 BSTD 0513 Intermediate Algebra

English *Nine hours*

ENGL 1113 Composition I
 ENGL 1123 Composition II
 SPCH 1113 Principles of Speech

Mathematics *Three hours*

MATH 1023 College Algebra

Natural Sciences *Eight hours*

BIOL 1004	Fundamentals of Biology / Lab
PHYS 1004	The Physical Sciences / Lab
GEOL 1004	Physical Geology / Lab
CHEM 1014	College Chemistry Principles I / Lab
CHEM 1024	Chemistry I for Science Majors / Lab

Fine Arts/Humanities *Nine hours**Three hours from the following:*

ARTI 2003	Art Appreciation
MUSI 2003	Music Appreciation
THEA 2003	Theatre Appreciation
PHIL 2003	Introduction to Philosophy
	Foreign Language (3 hours)

Three hours from the following:

ENGL 2213	Literature I
ENGL 2223	Literature II

Social Sciences *Nine hours**Three hours from the following:*

HIST 2013	History of the U.S. to 1876
HIST 2023	History of the U.S. since 1876
PSCI 2003	American Government: National

Three hours from the following:

HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700
HIST 1013	History of Civilization since 1700

Three hours from the following:

PSCY 2003	American Government: National
PSYC 2003	General Psychology
GEOG 2003	Introduction to Geography
SOCI 2003	Sociology
ECON 2003	Macroeconomic Principles

Directed Elective *Three hours*

HIST 2033	Arkansas History
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Physical Activity *One Hour*

PHED 1001	Physical Activity
HPER 1403	Personal and Community Health

Education Courses *Fifteen Hours*

EDUC 2003	Introduction to Education
EDUC 2313	Introduction to Educational Technology
EDUC 2033	Child Growth and Development
EDUC 2053	Development & Learning
EDUC 2113	Math for Teachers I
EDUC 2223	Math for Teachers II

Education Elective *Three hours*

EDUC 2103 Child and Adolescent Literature

ECTC 2503 Child Guidance

EDUC 2023 Survey of Exceptional Children

Suggested Course of Study for AS – Education**(All Basic Studies Class Completed)**

FALL—SEMESTER I		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
EDUC 2033	Child Growth & Development OR	3
EDUC 2053	Development & Learning	
MATH 1023	College Algebra	3
HIST 2013	History of the US to 1876 OR	3
HIST 2023	History of the US since 1876 OR	
PSCI 2003	American Government: National	
	Fine Arts / Humanities choice	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		15

SPRING—SEMESTER II		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
ENGL 1123	Composition II	3
EDUC 2003	Introduction to Education	3
BIOL 1004	Fundamentals of Biology / Lab	4
HIST 1003	History of Civilization to 1700 OR	3
HIST 2013	History of the US to 1876	
	Fine Arts / Humanities choice	3
Semester Credit Hour Total		16

FALL—SEMESTER III		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
SPCH 1113	Principles of Speech	3
EDUC 2313	Introduction to Educational Technology	3
EDUC 2113	Math for Teachers I	3
	Natural Sciences / Lab choice	4
ENGL 2213	Literature I OR	3
ENGL 2223	Literature II	
Semester Credit Hour Total		16

SPRING—SEMESTER IV		
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	CREDIT HOUR
EDUC 2223	Math for Teachers II	3
	Social Science choice	3
HIST 2003	History of Arkansas	3
EDUC 2103	Child and Adolescent Literature OR	3
	Education Elective	
	Physical Activity choice	1-3
	Semester Credit Hour Total	13-15
	PROGRAM CREDIT HOUR TOTAL	60 -62

Students must also maintain a minimum 2.7 cumulative GPA.

Education majors may obtain more information regarding the PRAXIS CORE Exam by going to www.ets.org or by speaking to the Education Program Director.

The courses offered in the ASE degree program are also appropriate for students seeking licensure in a variety of Middle School and High School teaching fields as well as other K-12 licensures. Students should check with advisors at the four-year institution they plan to attend and the SouthArk Education Program Director to tailor courses to meet specific licensure and degree requirements. Educator licensure for the State of Arkansas may be found at: <http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/human-resources-educator-effectiveness-and-licensure/educator-licensure-unit>.