

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE REQUIREMENTS 2022-2023

All Tidewater Community College students earning a degree or certificate must complete general education core requirements. Curriculum guides designate specific courses that must be taken to satisfy these requirements. When general education elective courses are required as specified in curriculum guides, students may select from the courses in the following lists. Students may not use the same course to satisfy more than one curriculum requirement.

Some courses, referred to as "passport" courses, are transferable to most public colleges and universities in Virginia and satisfy a lower-division general education requirement if the entire collection is taken as prescribed. Students who plan to transfer are advised to consult a TCC transfer counselor, appropriate transfer guides, and prospective transfer colleges/universities to ensure electives meet transfer requirements.

Communication Elective:

ENG 111 - College Composition I
ENG 112 - College Composition II
ENG 113 - Technical-Professional Writing
CST 100 - Principles of Public Speaking
CST 110 - Introduction to Communication

Note:

ENG 111 is a required course in all degree and certificate programs.

Mathematics Elective:

MTH 154 - Quantitative Reasoning
MTH 155 - Statistical Reasoning
MTH 161 - PreCalculus I
MTH 162 - PreCalculus II
MTH 167 - PreCalculus with Trigonometry
MTH 245 - Statistics I
MTH 261 - Applied Calculus I
MTH 262 - Applied Calculus II
MTH 263 - Calculus I
MTH 264 - Calculus II
MTH 265 - Calculus III
MTH 266 - Linear Algebra
MTH 267 - Differential Equations
MTH 283 - Probability and Statistics

Note:

In 2017, the Virginia Community College System redesigned most of its mathematics courses. The new courses were implemented at TCC in Fall 2018.

Some career and technical programs specify additional course options that generally do not transfer (i.e., MTH 111, MTH 130 and MTH 131). To view these options, students should review their advising transcripts in the Student Information System or refer to their curriculum guides in the College Catalog.

Science with Lab Elective (Natural Science):

BIO 101 - General Biology I

BIO 102 - General Biology II

BIO 106 - Life Science

BIO 141 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I

BIO 142 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II

CHM 101 - Introductory Chemistry

CHM 111 - General Chemistry I

CHM 112 - General Chemistry II

ENV 121 - General Environmental Science I

ENV 122 - General Environmental Science II

GOL 105 - Physical Geology

GOL 106 - Historical Geology

GOL 110 - Earth Science

GOL 111 - Oceanography I

GOL 112 - Oceanography II

NAS 125 - Meteorology

NAS 130 - Elements of Astronomy

NAS 131 - Astronomy: Solar System

NAS 132 - Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies

PHY 100 - Elements of Physics

PHY 201 - General College Physics I

PHY 202 - General College Physics II

PHY 241 - University Physics I

PHY 242 - University Physics II

Note:

Associate of Science Degree: Science requires sequenced science courses with labs, and ENV 121-ENV 122 and BIO 106 are not acceptable courses.

CHM 110 and BIO 145 are acceptable for some programs, as reflected in the Student Information System and the curriculum guides in the College Catalog.

Humanities Elective:

ART 100 - Art Appreciation
ART 101 - History and Appreciation of Art I
ART 102 - History and Appreciation of Art II
ASL 125 - History and Culture of the Deaf Community I
CST 130 - Introduction to the Theatre
CST 151 - Film Appreciation I
CST 152 - Film Appreciation II
ENG 125 - Introduction to Literature
ENG 211 - Creative Writing I
ENG 212 - Creative Writing II
ENG 241 - Survey of American Literature I
ENG 242 - Survey of American Literature II
ENG 243 - Survey of English Literature I
ENG 244 - Survey of English Literature II
ENG 254 - Survey of African-American Literature II
HUM 201 - Early Humanities
HUM 202 - Modern Humanities
HUM 256 - Comparative Mythology
HUM 259 - The Greek and Roman Tradition
HUM 260 - Contemporary Humanities
MUS 121 - Music in Society
MUS 221 - History of Western Music Prior to 1750
MUS 222 - History of Western Music 1750 to Present
PHI 101 - Introduction to Philosophy I
PHI 102 - Introduction to Philosophy II
PHI 111 - Logic I
PHI 220 - Ethics
REL 200 - Survey of the Old Testament
REL 210 - Survey of the New Testament
REL 230 - Religions of the World

Note:

Students in curricula that require more than one Humanities elective may select from these additional courses for one of

the electives: ART 121 , ART 131 ; ASL 101 , ASL 102 , ASL 201, ASL 202 ; CST 126; CST 229 ;ENG 250 ; FRE 101, FRE 102,

FRE 203, FRE 204; GER 101, GER 102, GER 201, GER 202; HUM 220 ; RUS 101, RUS 102, RUS 201, RUS 202; SPA 101,

SPA 102, SPA 203, SPA 204.

Social Science Elective:

ECO 150 - Economic Essentials: Theory and Applications
ECO 201 - Principles of Macroeconomics
ECO 202 - Principles of Microeconomics
GEO 210 - People and the Land: Introduction to Cultural Geography
GEO 220 - World Regional Geography
HIS 101 - History of Western Civilization Pre - 1600 CE
HIS 102 - History of Western Civilization Post - 1600 CE
HIS 111 - World Civilization Pre - 1500 CE
HIS 112 - World Civilization Post - 1500 CE
HIS 121 - United States History to 1877
HIS 122 - United States History since 1865
PLS 135 - U.S. Government and Politics
PLS 136 - State and Local Government and Politics
PLS 241 - Introduction to International Relations
PSY 116 - Psychology of Death and Dying
PSY 200 - Principles of Psychology
PSY 215 - Abnormal Psychology
PSY 216 - Social Psychology
PSY 230 - Developmental Psychology
PSY 231 - Life Span Human Development I
PSY 232 - Life Span Human Development II
PSY 235 - Child Psychology
SOC 200 - Introduction to Sociology
SOC 211 - Cultural Anthropology
SOC 215 - Sociology of the Family
SOC 268 - Social Problems
SSC 210 - Introduction to Women's Studies