



**GENERAL ACADEMIC PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
ASHLAND UNIVERSITY AND NORTH CENTRAL STATE COLLEGE**

It is agreed that Ashland University and North Central State College desire to continue a strong academic articulation agreement to enhance the transfer opportunities for students from North Central State College to Ashland University for the completion of a Bachelor's Degree. Moreover, it is agreed that a general academic program articulation agreement is to be followed by the development of specific program advising sheets as appropriate.

**Effective Fall 2019 through Fall 2022**

**PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL ACADEMIC  
PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT:**

1. A student, who completes an Associate Degree at North Central State College with a minimum of a 2.25/4.0 GPA, will be accepted at Ashland University with junior status, provided he/she has successfully completed a minimum of sixty (60) semester hours (90 – quarter hours) of coursework.
2. Only earned credits are transferable and recorded on an Ashland University transcript. Letter grades and cumulative grade point average do not transfer.
3. North Central State College degree holders may transfer unlimited hours to Ashland University, however, students must meet the following residency requirements:
  - A. At least 30-semester hours of credit must be completed through Ashland University.
  - B. The last 12 semester hours of credit must be completed through Ashland University.
  - C. At least one-half of the student's major requirements must be completed through Ashland University.

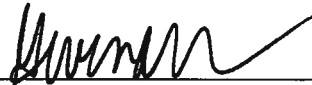
4. Admission to Ashland University with junior standing will, in many related programs of study, mean the student will be able to complete his/her baccalaureate degree with two years of full-time study. Some students may be able to graduate in less than two years if they are willing to continue their studies during Ashland University's summer terms. In certain disciplines, however, because of their sequential nature, careful prior planning of course work is necessary and more than two years at Ashland University may be needed to complete the Bachelor's Degree.
5. In general, remedial and/or developmental orientation courses are not generally transferable to Ashland University and do not meet graduation requirements. Usually, courses numbered 100 and above are transferable as either course-specific or general-elective credit. Technical courses, which do not match up with any Ashland University catalog course, will transfer as general-elective credit. In addition to the regular offerings of North Central State College, courses eligible for transfer include those offered through their off-campus location, and through their video-based program.
6. Students transferring to Ashland University must complete all of Ashland University's Institutional Baccalaureate Degree Requirements through transfer credit and Ashland University credit where applicable.
7. North Central State College degree holders with credits earned at one or more other institutions may transfer those credits to Ashland University subject to Ashland University's transfer policy.
8. A student who has earned credits at North Central State College but who has not earned a degree may also apply to Ashland University as a transfer student, subject to transfer regulations in effect at Ashland University. Generally, these requirements include proof of high school graduation (official High School transcripts or G.E.D.) and official college transcripts. Grades of C- or better are accepted with no earned degree.
9. Ashland University offers pre-transfer academic advising in order to ensure that the North Central State College student is able to transfer his/her credits in the best manner possible. This is unofficial; an official evaluation takes place upon enrollment at Ashland University.
10. Students wishing to transfer to Ashland University, with or without an Associate Degree from North Central State College, may be eligible for federal, state and institutional financial aid. Qualified students may be eligible to receive the Ashland University Transfer Scholarship with the appropriate grade point average and appropriate semester hours of credit. This will be based on all grades earned from all schools attended. The Transfer Scholarship is only available to full-time students attending classes on the main campus.


11. Students transferring with less than 30 semester hours of transferable credit will transfer as freshmen. Students transferring with 30-59 semester hours of transferable credit will transfer as sophomores. Students transferring with 60-89 semester hours of transferable credit will transfer as juniors. Students transferring with 90 semester hours or more of transferable credit will transfer as seniors.
12. North Central State College and Ashland University agree to participate in regular review of program requirements and appropriate advising procedures, and make adjustments or amendments as deemed appropriate to maintain the integrity of each institution as well as for the improvement of the transfer process. Such changes will not adversely affect students already enrolled and covered under the provisions of the existing agreement.

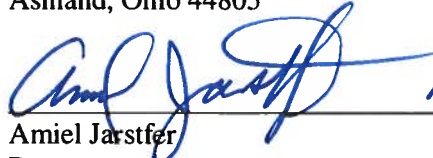
This articulation agreement will be effective immediately after the representatives of both institutions sign the agreement. It may be modified upon mutual agreement; it may be terminated by either institution upon written notice to the other.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties involved in the Agreement place their signatures below.


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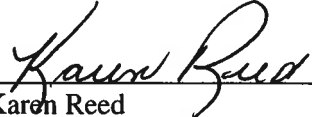
  
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**ASHLAND UNIVERSITY EQUIVALENCIES FOR  
ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM AT NORTH CENTRAL STATE COLLEGE  
Associate of Arts: Communication Focus  
toward a Bachelor of Science with a major in Communication Studies**

<b>Equivalencies for Core Curriculum</b>				
<b>Ashland University</b>		<b>North Central State College</b>		
<i>Institutional Core Requirements (45 hours)</i>				
<i>AU Core Courses</i>	<i>Cr Hrs</i>	<i>Equivalent NCSC Courses</i>	<i>Cr Hrs</i>	<i>Notes</i>
<b>Composition I</b> (3 hours required) ENG 101 English Composition I	3	ENGL 1010 English Composition I	3	
<b>Composition II</b> (3 hours required) ENG 102 English Composition II	3	ENGL 1030 English Composition II	3	
<b>Communication</b> (3 hours required) COM 101 Human Communication	3	COMM 1010 Speech	3	
<b>Math/Logic</b> (3 hours required) MATH 205 The Calculus I	5	MATH 1150 Calculus I	5	
MATH 208 Elementary Statistics	3	STAT 1010 Probability and Statistics	3	
MATH 223 Discrete Mathematics I	3	MATH 2000 Discrete Mathematics	3	
<b>Religion</b> (3 hours required)	3		0	
<b>Historical Reasoning</b> (3 hours required) HIST 212 American History through Civil War	3	HIST 1010 American History I	3	
HIST 213 American History after Civil War	3	HIST 1030 American History II	3	
HIST 112 Western Civilization	3	HIST 1050 Western Civilization	3	
HIST 113 Western Civilization II	3	HIST 1070 Western Civilization II	3	
<b>Critical Cultural Inquiry (CCI)</b> (3 hrs required)				
CCI Elective Credit	3	CHIN 1011 Beginning Chinese I	4	
CCI Elective Credit	3	CHIN 1031 Beginning Chinese II	4	
SPAN 171 Elementary Spanish I	3	SPAN 1010 Beginning Spanish	3	
SPAN 172 Elementary Spanish II	3	SPAN 1020 Intermediate Spanish	3	
<b>Natural Science</b> (6 hours required) BIO 100 Human Biology	4	BIOL 1710 Intro to Anatomy & Phys.	3	
BIO 201 Molecular & Cellular Basis of Life	4	BIOL 1230 Biology I w/ Lab	4	
BIO 202 Organisms, Adaptation, and Diversity	4	BIOL 1231 Biology II	4	
CHEM 103 General Chemistry	4	CHEM 1210 Chemistry I	5	

CHEM 104 General Chemistry	4	CHEM 1220 Chemistry II	5	
CHEM 251 Molecular Architecture	3	CHEM 1030 Chemistry	3	
NSC elective credit	3	GEOL 1010 Physical Geology	4	
<b>Equivalencies for Core Curriculum (con.)</b>				
<b>Ashland University</b>		<b>North Central State College</b>		
<u><b>Aesthetics</b></u> (6 hours required)				
ART 204 Photography	3	ARTS 1070 Digital Photography	3	
MUSIC 250 Topics in Music Appreciation	3	MUSIC 1010 Music Appreciation	3	
TH 203 Theatre Aesthetics	3	THEA 1010 Introduction to Theatre	3	
<u><b>Humanities</b></u> (6 hours required)				
ENGL 304 Short Story	3	ENGL 2090 Intro to Fiction	3	
ENGL 333 American Studies – 19 <sup>th</sup> Century	3	ENGL 2050 American Literature I	3	
ENGL 334 American Studies – 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	3	ENGL 2070 American Literature II	3	
PHIL 215 Ethics	3	PHIL 1110 Ethics	3	
PHIL 280 Applied Ethics	3	PHIL 1130 Philosophy and Science	3	
<u><b>Social Sciences</b></u> (6 hours required)				
PSYC 101 General Psychology I	3	PSYC 1010 Intro to Psychology	3	
SOC 111 Principles of Sociology	3	SOCY 1010 Introduction to Sociology	3	
SOC 301 Race, Ethnic, & Minority Issues	3	SOCY 2010 Cultural Diversity & Racism	3	
SOC 340 Marriage and Family	3	SOCY 2030 Marriage and Family	3	
<b>TOTAL</b>	45 Hrs.		42-49 Hrs.	

Students may most efficiently complete their programs by choosing courses at NCSC that “double dip,” fulfilling both AU core requirements as well as the requirements of the NCSC degree.

## Equivalencies for Major Curriculum

<b>Ashland University</b>		<b>North Central State College</b>		
<i>AU Major Courses</i>	<i>Cr Hrs</i>	<i>Equivalent NCSC Courses</i>	<i>Cr Hrs</i>	<i>Notes</i>
COM 101 Human Communication	3	COMM 1010 Speech	3	
COM 120 Foundations of Health Communication	3			
COM 204 Communication Theory & Research	3	COMM 2050 Introduction to Communication Theory	3	
COM 210 Family Communication	3			
COM 302 Intercultural Communication	3	COMM 2070 Intercultural Communication	3	COMM 2070 pending – not part of Guaranteed Transfer Pathway & not OTM- or TAG-eligible
COM 304 Interpersonal Communication	3	COMM 2030 Interpersonal Communication	3	
COM 305 Organizational Communication	3			
COM 333 Leadership Communication	3			
COM 343 Conflict, Mediation, and Negotiation	3			
COM 425 Risk & Crisis Communication	3			

\*All NCSC courses listed above are requirements of the Associate's degree

**ANTICIPATED—Two-Year Guide at North Central State College**

**Associate of Arts: Communication Focus**

1 <sup>st</sup> Year			Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
STAT 1010	Probability & Statistics	3	ENGL 1030	English Composition II	3			
COMM 1010	Speech	3	Choose 1	<b>SOCY 2010</b>	3			
				<b>Cult. Diversity &amp; Racism</b>		PSYC 1070 Intro Women's Studies		
ENGL 1010	English Composition I	3	POLT 1010	American National Gov't	3			
Choose 1 of 3	<b>THEA 1010 Intro Theatre</b>	3	Choose 1 of 2	<b>PHIL 1110 Ethics</b>	3			
	<b>MUSC 1010 Music Appreciation</b>			PHIL 1010 Western Philosophy				
	<b>HUMA 1010 Intro Humanities</b>							
PSYCH 1010	Introduction to Psychology	3	COMM 2070	Intercultural Communication	3			
		<b>15</b>						<b>15</b>

2 <sup>nd</sup> Year			Fall Semester			Spring Semester		
Choose 1	<b>BIOL 1230 Biology I</b>	4	Choose 1	<b>BIOL 1231 Biology II</b>	4			
	<b>GEOL 1010 Physical Geology*</b>			GEOL 1030 Historical Geology				
Choose 1	<b>CHIN 1011 Beg. Chinese I</b>	4	Choose 1	<b>CHIN 1031 Beg. Chinese II</b>	4			
	<b>SPAN 1010 Beg. Spanish</b>	3		<b>SPAN 1020 Interm. Spanish</b>	3			
Choose 1	HIST 1010 Amer. History I	3	Choose 1	HIST 1030 Amer. History II	3			
	HIST 1050 Western Civ. I			HIST 1070 Western Civ. II				
COMM 2010	Group Communication	3	COMM 2250	Interviewing	3			
COMM 2030	Interpersonal Communication	3	COMM 2050	Communication Theory	3			
		<b>16-17</b>						<b>16-17</b>
				<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>62-64 hrs.</b>

**Bolded course = counts as Core/major credit at Ashland University (recommended option)**

\*GEOL 1010 Physical Geology will count toward a Natural Science Core requirement IF taken prior to becoming an AU student. No AU course equivalent. May not be taken and transferred for credit by those with junior status or above.

Students must complete a minimum of 62 credit hours at NCSC to earn the Associate of Arts with a Communication Focus. This agreement anticipates that students will transfer to AU having completed at least 62 credit hours.

**SUGGESTED—Two-Year Guide at Ashland University**  
**Associate of Arts: Communication Focus toward a**  
**Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>			<b>Spring Semester</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>					
COM 120	Foundations of Health Communication	3	COM 210	Family Communication	3
MINOR	Minor course (1)	3	MINOR	Minor course (3)	3
MINOR	Minor course (2)	3	MINOR	Minor course (4)	3
AESTHETICS	Institutional Requirement	3	HUMANITIES	Institutional Requirement	3
GEN ELECT	General Elective	3	GEN ELECT	General Elective	3
		<b>15</b>			<b>15</b>

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b>			<b>Spring Semester</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>					
COM 305	Organizational Communication	3	COM 425	Risk & Crisis Communication	3
COM 333	Leadership Communication	3	MINOR	Minor course (6)	3
COM 343	Conflict, Mediation, and Negotiation	3	MINOR	Minor course (7)	3
RELIGION	Institutional Requirement	3	GEN ELECT	General Elective	3
MINOR	Minor course (5)	3	GEN ELECT	General Elective	3
		<b>15</b>			<b>15</b>
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60 hrs.</b>

\*Note: COMM 2010 Group Communication transfers as COM 206 Small Group Communication, an elective of the Health & Risk Communication track.



**SUGGESTED—Online Guide at Ashland University  
Associate of Arts: Communication Focus toward a**

**Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies**

**(4 semesters incl. summer)**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Spring Semester</b>	
COM 120	Foundations of Health Comm.	3	COM 210	Family Communication	3
MINOR	Minor course (1)	3	COM 425	Risk & Crisis Communication	3
MINOR	Minor course (2)	3	MINOR	Minor course (3)	3
RELIGION	Institutional Requirement	3	MINOR	Minor course (4)	3
GEN ELECT	General Elective	3	AESTHETICS	Institutional Requirement	3
		<b>15</b>			<b>15</b>

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Summer Semester</b>		<b>4<sup>th</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b>	
MINOR	Minor course (5)	3	COM 305	Organizational Communication	3
MINOR	Minor course (6)	3	COM 333	Leadership Communication	3
HUMANITIES	Institutional Requirement	3	COM 343	Conflict, Mediation, and Negotiation	3
GEN ELECT	General Elective	3	MINOR	Minor course (7)	3
GEN ELECT	General Elective	3	GEN ELECT	General Elective	3
		<b>15</b>			<b>15</b>
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60 hrs.</b>

These rotations presume that some, but not all, of the courses listed with equivalencies have been taken at NCSC. It presumes that AU's communication, composition, CCI, math/logic, and historical reasoning requirements have been met, and that one-half of the aesthetics and humanities requirements have been met. It also assumes that the natural science requirements have been met, provided the student chooses to take Biology 1230/1231; and that the social sciences requirements have been met, provided the student chooses to take SOCY 2010.

A minor or second major is required to complete the B.A. in Communication Studies at AU. Students should form a plan if seeking to complete a second major. There are limited minor options available to OL/OAS students (i.e., business administration/mgmt., religion, sociology).

