

# ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (A)

In order to best serve Concordia University Ann Arbor students in their vocational endeavors, CUAA will offer students the opportunity to complete an associate degree should they need to withdraw or transfer. The associate degree will require a modified core, a concentration in a preferred area of study, and elective credits.

This associate degree will allow for a more seamless transfer to another institution. If a student chooses not to continue their educational journey, they will have gained greater knowledge, skills, and dispositions required to enter into the workforce.

The degree will be tailored to meet a student's individual needs. Students will need to work closely with their advisors to ensure that they meet degree requirements and understand financial aid implications. Specifically, juniors and seniors will have a reduction in their loans if they choose to pursue an associate degree. In addition, students will need to request a change in degree in order to receive financial aid. If a student completes an associate degree and wishes to enroll or stay at CUAA after completing the degree, the student is not eligible for financial aid unless they declare a specific major.

All students who earn an associate degree will be invited to participate in a CUAA commencement ceremony.

All associate degrees must be at least 60 credits. Per HLC, 24 hours of core/general education coursework are required. This standard is reflected in the modified core outlined below. With this modified core, CUAA students will be allowed to take classes in any modality. Students will not be required to take two writing intensive courses or fulfill the non-western culture requirement.

The duration of the program is a maximum of two years. Students must be enrolled at CUAA on August 26, 2024 to be eligible for the associate degree. The degree must be completed by the end of the 2026 academic year.

## Program Learning Outcomes

### Christian Faith

- Demonstrate thorough knowledge of the overall structure of the Bible, including the distinctions between the Old Testament and New Testament, major themes, narratives, and key figures in both sections.
- Engage with contemporary cultural topics and issues from a Christian perspective, articulating how a Christian worldview addresses and interacts with modern societal issues.

### Service & Global Citizenship

- Articulate the importance of civic engagement and the common good locally and/or globally Integrated Disciplinary Knowledge/ Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- Apply ideas from different subjects to effectively solve problems

### Communicative Fluency

- Demonstrate effective written and oral communication skills in diverse contexts

### Analytical Fluency

- Use data to solve problems and make decisions

## Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Concordia Core</b>		<b>25</b>
<b>Concentration Requirements</b>		<b>21</b>
<b>Electives</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>60</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Concordia Core</b>		
CCE 1010	Christian Citizen	3
REL 1000	The Bible	3
REL 1100	Christian Faith	3
ENG 1040	Introduction to Writing	3
COMM 1100	Public Speaking	3
	or COMM 2100 Interpersonal Communication	
	One course in History, Political Science, Economics, Sociology, Geography, Art, Music, English, Psychology, or Philosophy, or Cross-Cultural course	3
	Science class with lab	4
	Computer science or math class	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>25</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>General Business Concentration Requirements</b>		<b>21</b>
<i>The general business concentration consists of 21 credits in any business-related areas of study, including the following subject codes:</i>		
ENTR FIN ACCT BCOM BUAN BUS ECON HCM JPP MGMT MKTG PLGL SHB		

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Arts and Sciences Concentration Requirements</b>		<b>21</b>
<i>The arts and sciences concentration consists of 21 credits in the School of Arts and Sciences including any of the following subject codes:</i>		
PH ART BIO CCE CHEM COMM CSC DSAA ENG ENGR ENV EXPH EXS FAM GD GEOG GRK HEB HHP HIST LA LAT LEGL MATH MUS PHIL PHYS POLS PSY REL SCI SOC SPAN THTR		
(No double-dipping with the 25 hours of course cores is permitted.)		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>21</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Educational Studies Concentration Requirements</b>		<b>21</b>
<i>The educational studies concentration consists of 21 credits in the School of Education. Applicable subject codes include the following:</i>		
ED EDI EDU		
(Students are encouraged to take classes with clinical requirements in order to gain experience in a K-12 classroom setting.)		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>21</b>