

## BLUEGRASS COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE

### Focus Areas for the Associate in Arts

#### Description

Students have two options in earning an AA or AS degree. They may decide on a degree in general pre-baccalaureate studies, which allows a wide choice of courses and an opportunity to explore many subject areas, or they may decide on a Focus Area, which allows them to explore one field of study in more depth. A Focus Area is not a major or a minor but is a concentration of related courses. Focus Area requirements are 12-21 hours with at least one 200 level course or one course with appropriate prerequisites. If students plan to transfer after earning their AA or AS degrees, they may fulfill a number of their pre-major requirements by choosing a Focus Area. Obtaining a Focus Area, however, does not mean that a student has fulfilled all premajor requirements for a four-year degree at the University of Kentucky or elsewhere.

#### African American Studies—Minimum 12 Hours

ENG 264 (Major Black Writers); HIS 260 (African American History to 1865); HIS 261 (African American History 1865 to the Present); choose one from HUM 150 (Intro to African Literature), SOC 235 (Inequality in Society), ANT 160 (Cultural Diversity in the Modern World), COM 254 (Intercultural Communication), MUS 104 (Intro to Jazz History), ENG 230 (Intro to Literature: "African American Literature" Subtitle Required), ENG 231 (Literature and Genre: Subtitle Required), ENG 232 Literature and Place: "African American Literature" Subtitle Required), ENG 233 (Literature and Identities: ("African American Literature" Subtitle Required).

#### Anthropology – minimum 12 hours

ANT 220, ANT 230, ANT 240, and one additional 200 level anthropology course

#### Communication – minimum 15 hours

COM 101, STA 200; choose one from COM 181, COM 252, COM 281, COM 287; choose an additional six hours from CIT 105, COM 181, COM 252, COM 281, COM 287, ENG 203, JOU 101, JOU 204, POL 101, POL 235, POL 271, PSY 110

#### Criminal Justice – minimum 21 hours

CRJ 100; three additional courses in criminal justice with at least one at the 200 level; one course in each of the following: political science, psychology, and sociology

#### English – minimum 15 hours

ENG 230; choose one from ENG 231, ENG 232, ENG 233, ENG 234; choose one from HUM 135 or ENG 264; one additional literature course, one additional writing course

#### Family Studies – minimum 12 hours

FAM 252; choose three from EDP 202\*, EDP 203\*, FAM 253, FAM 254/PSY 223, FAM 255  
\*for those interested in a teaching career

Geography – minimum 12 hours

GEO 130, GEO 172, GEO 152 or GEO 160, any 200-level geography course

History – minimum 15 hours

HIS 108, HIS 109, HIS 104, HIS 105, one 200-level history course

Journalism minimum 12 hours: JOU 101, JOU 204; choose an additional six hours from COM 249, POL 101, POL 235

Peace and Justice Studies – minimum 15 hours

HUM 121 (3 CR), HUM 220 (3 CR), HUM 221 (3 CR), GEO 160 (3 CR); choose from HUM 160, PHI 130, SOC 235, or POL 235 (3 CR).

Philosophy – minimum 12 hours

PHI 100, PHI 120, PHI 130, ANT 130

Political Science – minimum 12 hours

POL 101, POL 235, POL 271, one additional political science course

Pre-Business – minimum 21 hours

ACC 201, ACC 202, CIT 105 or IMD 100, ECO 201, ECO 202, ENG 203, MA 123 or MA 162 or STA 291

Psychology – minimum 17 hours

PY 110, PSY 215, PSY 216, PSY 223; choose one from PSY 230, PSY 297, PSY 298

Social Work – minimum 21 hours

SWK 124, SWK 222, and one course in each of the following: anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, and sociology

Sociology – minimum 12 hours

SOC 101, two additional sociology courses, and one 200-level course in the social/behavioral sciences

Women's Studies – minimum 15 hours

WGS 200 and WGS 201, and choose three courses from ENG 234, HIS 265, GEO 240, FAM 253