

## AS: Individualized Studies

2020-2021

The Associate of Science in Individualized Studies is designed for students who are currently working or have experience in a professional career. The student-defined curriculum is designed to offer students the opportunity to develop career-related goals and pursue a program which is uniquely special and focuses on educational and professional development.

There is a separate application required for this degree program.

The Associate of Science in Individualized Studies is designed to articulate to: Metropolitan State University B.A. in Individualized Studies degree

### Program Planning Course

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
PLA1010	Individualized Studies Development	2

### Individualized Program Courses

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
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**25 credits are designed by the student to fit their career goals:**

The 25 credits can be earned in the following ways: NHCC courses, prior learning assessment, internships, transfer credits or ACE Equivalencies. The guidelines are as follows: A minimum of 13 program area credits must be earned in NHCC courses and/or prior learning assessment. No more than 12 credits may be applied to this area from transfer credits (additional transfer credits, however, may still be used as General Education credits) from accredited institutions or ACE equivalencies. Selection of courses in this category should be based on articulation agreements with the college you plan to transfer. Plan carefully if you are transferring for a baccalaureate degree.

\*\* St. Cloud State University requires completion of a wellness course for graduation. PE/HLTH 1250 transfers to meet the requirement.

### Program Courses

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
<b>CIS1000 or CIS1101 - 1 course:</b>		
CIS1000	Computer and Keyboarding Essentials <i>or</i>	3
CIS1101	Business Computer Systems I	3

### General Education Courses

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
ENGL1202	College Writing II	2
<b>College Writing I: (minimum grade 1.67)</b>		
ENGL1200	Gateway College Writing (minimum grade 1.67) <i>or</i>	4
ENGL1201	College Writing I (minimum grade 1.67)	4
<b>COMM1010 or COMM1110 - 1 course:</b>		
COMM1010	Fundamentals of Public Speaking <i>or</i>	3
COMM1110	Principles of Interpersonal Communication	3

### MnTC Electives

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
<b>Natural Sciences or Mathematics/Logical Reasoning (Goal Area 3 or 4) - 3 credits</b>		
<b>History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences (Goal Area 5) - 3 credits</b>		
<b>The Humanities and Fine Arts (Goal Area 6) - 3 credits</b>		
<b>MnTC Goal Areas 7, 8, 9 or 10 - 3 credits</b>		
<b>MnTC Electives - 9 credits</b>		

### NHCC Residency and GPA

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
<b>15 Credits must be earned at NHCC:</b>		

## 2.00 overall GPA for NHCC courses

### Total Credit Required 60

## Degree Requirements

2.00 overall GPA for NHCC courses

### Program Outcomes

Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World

- Develop a background of essential knowledge about the cultural, social, and natural worlds particularly in relationship to one's educational and/or career objectives.

Intellectual and Practical Skills

- Use clear and effective communication skills.
- Understand the relationship between chosen course work and career goals.
- Apply critical thought to problems and situations
- Develop computer skills necessary for personal use and a competitive job market

Personal and Social Responsibility and Engagement

- Create plans and actualize goals for achieving personal, educational and/or career objectives.

Integrative and Applied Learning

- Effectively utilize the components of credit for prior learning to make educated decisions regarding future higher education goals.
- Plan and execute a program focus that matches career goals and/or further education goals and provides a liberal arts background.

### Degree Information

The Associate of Science (A.S.) degree is intended for students whose primary goal is to complete the credentials for a specific career and/or prepare for transfer to complete a bachelor's degree at a college or university with whom North Hennepin Community College has an articulation agreement. The A.S. degree provides a balance of general education courses and the required scientific, professional or technical courses in the degree program.

A student shall:

Earn a minimum of 60 semester credits as required in the program, with a grade point average of 2.00 (C) or above in courses taken at North Hennepin Community College. Specific programs may have additional requirements or a higher minimum grade point average.

Earn a minimum of 15 semester credits at North Hennepin Community College. A student must complete at least 50% of career specific courses at North Hennepin Community College.

Earn 30 credits in at least 6 Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) goal areas. Earn 30 professional/technical credits.

Have four years to complete the graduation requirements as published in the catalog in effect at the time of their initial enrollment. Students taking more than four years to complete their graduation requirements may follow any catalog published during the four-year period preceding their graduation.

Completion of an A.S. degree fulfills the Goal Area 2 requirement of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC).

### Developmental Courses

Some students may need preparatory course(s) in Math and/or English. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward a degree.

### Equal Opportunity Employer and Disability Access Information

North Hennepin Community College is a member of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system and an equal opportunity employer and educator. This document is available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities by calling 763-493-0555 or through the Minnesota Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529.

### Transfer Information

If you are planning on transferring to another institution, follow the guidelines available on our transfer resources web page to help you plan the process: [Transfer Information](#)

### Career Opportunities

Information on careers, including salary and employment outlook data, is available on the iseek and Bureau of Labor Statistics websites: [www.iseek.org](http://www.iseek.org) and [www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov).

### Accreditation

North Hennepin Community College is accredited by the: Higher Learning Commission 30 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 2400 Chicago, IL 60602-2504 1-800-621-7440