

General Education

General education curricula assist individual development as a person and citizen. Technical education prepares the learner to achieve success within a chosen career area.

Northwest Technical College requires that each degree, diploma, and certificate program of 16 credits or more include a minimum number of Minnesota Transfer Curriculum General Education or Applied General Education credits. The College implements the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum as appropriate to the Associate of Applied Science and Associate in Science degrees. Individuals may transfer courses that are part of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum among MnSCU institutions. NTC's Appeals and Grievance process provides for appeals of transfer decisions (see Policy 3012-1-01, Credit Transfer).

Program faculty members, in conjunction with industry and advisory committees, determine general education course requirements for individual programs. The minimum credit requirements are outlined in the General Education Credit Requirements table below. (See the [program plan](#) for specific course requirements.)

GENERAL EDUCATION CREDIT REQUIREMENTS			
Total Program Credits	Minimum Requirement MN Transfer Curriculum Gen Ed	Minimum Requirement Applied Gen Ed	Minimum Category Requirement
AS Degree	30 credits		6 categories
AAS Degree	25% of credits		4 categories
Diploma 55-73 or more		9	3 categories
Diploma 37-54		6	2 categories
Diploma 32-36		3	1 category
Certificate 16-32		3	1 category
Certificate 15 or fewer		0	

Minnesota Transfer Curriculum General Education for Associate Degree programs

NTC requires that each Associate Degree program include a minimum number of **Minnesota Transfer Curriculum General Education** credits. The **Minnesota Transfer Curriculum General Education** courses listed below are identified by the *Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC)* goal(s) that they address and are typically accepted as individually transferable to/from other institutions. (NOTE: transfer of credits is determined by the receiving institution.) The following **Minnesota Transfer Curriculum General Education** courses are delivered through Bemidji State University at NTC or through the college's online course offerings (**list of courses is effective Fall 2007**).

	<u>MnTC Goal</u>
ANTH1110 Cultural Anthropology	#2, #5
BIOL2221 Microbiology	#3
BIOL2252 Anatomy & Physiology I	#3
BIOL2254 Anatomy & Physiology II	#3
BIOL2256 Advanced Physiology	#3
CHEM1100 Introduction to Chemistry	#3
ECON2204 Markets and Resource Allocation	#5
ENGL1111 College Writing I	#1, #2
MATH1110 College Algebra	#4
PHIL1201 Ethics	#6, #9
PHIL2210 Bioethical Issues in Contemporary Society	#6, #9
PSYC1105 General Psychology	#5
PSYC2201 Developmental Psychology	#5
PSYC2220 Abnormal Psychology	#5
SOCI1110 Introduction to Sociology	#5, #8
SPCH1110 Introduction to Public Speaking	#1
SPCH1120 Interpersonal Communication	#7, #9

Additional **Minnesota Transfer Curriculum General Education** courses can be taken at Bemidji State University. See your advisor for guidance in selecting appropriate courses.

Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goals: http://www.mntransfer.org/students/plan/s_mntc.php

- #1: [Communication](#)
- #2: [Critical Thinking](#)
- #3: [Natural Sciences](#)
- #4: [Math & Logic](#)
- #5: [History & Social Science](#)
- #6: [Humanities & Fine Arts](#)
- #7: [Human Diversity](#)
- #8: [Global Perspectives](#)
- #9: [Ethical & Civic Responsibility](#)
- #10: [People & Environment](#)

Applied General Education (for Diploma and Certificate programs)

NTC requires that each Diploma or Certificate program include a minimum number of **Applied General Education** (also known as General Studies) credits. **Applied General Education** courses are aligned with NTC's six *General Learning Outcomes* and are NOT intended to be individually transferable to/from other institutions. **They do NOT fulfill Minnesota Transfer Curriculum goals.** General Learning Outcomes are outcomes that the college intends for all its learners to develop during their time at Northwest Technical College through courses, as well as through participation in co-curricular activities.

NTC's General Learning Outcomes:

- GLO #1: Effective Communication
- GLO #2: Critical Thinking and Active Learning
- GLO #3: Computation and Career Success
- GLO #4: Technology Skills
- GLO #5: Global Appreciation/Civic Responsibility
- GLO #6: Self-Development

The following Applied General Education courses address the indicated NTC General Learning Outcomes:

		<u>NTC General Learning Outcomes</u>
COMM1102	Applied Communications	#1, #2
COMM2250	Technical Communications	#1
SSCI1104	Human Relations	#2, #6
GTEC1104	College Success Skills	#2, #6
MATH1100	Technical Math	#3
CRLT1102	Contemporary Career Search	#3
CPTR1000	Computer Fundamentals	#4
CPTR1104	Introduction to Computers	#4
GTEC1108	Info Retrieval – 21 st Century	#4
GTEC1110	Campus Government	#5, #6
HPER1410	First Aid/CPR	#6
BIOL1131	Nutrition	#6
HLTH1000	Health and Wellness	#6

In addition, several **MnTC** courses apply to NTC's General Learning Outcomes (GLOs) as well:

NTC GLO #1 Communica- tions	NTC GLO #2 Critical Thinking	NTC GLO #3 Computation/ Career Skills	NTC GLO #4 Technology	NTC GLO #5 Global Perspective	NTC GLO #6 Self- Development
ENGL1111 SPCH1110 SPCH1120	ANTH1110 ENGL1111 PHIL1201 PHIL2210 SPCH1120	MATH1110 SPCH1110 SPCH1120		ANTH1110 PHIL1201 SOCI1110	PSYC1105 SPCH1110 SPCH1120