

MEMO
Second reading

<i>From</i>	UCC General Education Committee
<i>Subject</i>	Undergraduate Catalog Language for Associate Degrees and BRICKS
<i>Date</i>	October 11, 2022

The purpose of this memo is to document a proposed amendment to the Undergraduate Catalog language concerning BRICKS requirements for academic associate degrees.

Background

The OHIO University Curriculum Council endorsed language for the Undergraduate Catalog regarding BRICKS requirements for undergraduate degrees at their January 2020 meeting. The approved language for associate degrees reads as follows:

General Education Requirements for Applied Associate Degrees

Students completing Ohio University's applied associate degrees are required to complete 15 credit hours of OTM-approved coursework including:

- **Written Communication** (3 hours). Either ENG 1510 or 1610 (for non-native English speakers only) will satisfy the written communication requirement.
- **Quantitative Reasoning** (3 hours). Courses that fulfill Quantitative Reasoning requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (FQR) as the general education code.
- **Pillars or Arches** (6 hours). Credit hours must be completed from at least two different requirement areas: Humanities: Texts and Contexts, Humanities: Arts, Natural Science, Social or Behavioral Science, Constructed World, Connected World, or Natural World. Pillars requirements are marked in this catalog with the designation (PHTC, PHA, PNS, PSBS) as the general education code. Arches requirements are marked in this catalog with the designation (ACSW, ANW, ACHW) as the general education code.

To complete the minimum 15 credit hours of OTM-approved coursework, students may also complete OHIO's OTM-approved Second Writing course (ENG 2820) and/or OHIO's OTM-approved Oral Communication course (COMS 1030).

General Education Requirements for Associate of Arts and Associate of Science Degrees

Students completing Ohio University's Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees are required to complete 36 hours of OTM-approved coursework with a minimum of 24 semester hours from the following:

- **Written Communication** (3 hours). Either ENG 1510 or 1610 (for non-native English speakers only) will satisfy the written communication requirement.
- **Quantitative Reasoning** (3 hours). Courses that fulfill Quantitative Reasoning requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (FQR) as the general education code.
- **Humanities: Arts** (3 hours). Courses that fulfill the Humanities: Arts requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (PHA) as the general education code.
- **Humanities: Texts and Contexts** (3 hours). Courses that fulfill the Humanities: Texts and Contexts requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (PHTC) as the general education code.
- **Social or Behavioral Science or Connected World** (6 hours). Courses that fulfill the Social or Behavioral Science requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (PSBS) as the general education code. Courses that fulfill the Connected World requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (ACNW) as the general education code.
- **Natural Science or Natural World** (6 hours). Courses that fulfill the Natural Science requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (PNS) as the general education code. Courses that fulfill the Natural World requirement are marked in this catalog with the designation (ANW) as the general education code.

The concluding paragraph for the Applied Associate Degrees is the translation into BRICKS language of ODHE's description of minimal requirements for Applied Associate Degrees. The corresponding

paragraph for A.A. and A.S. degrees was left out of our language. The proposed amendment rectifies the situation.

Amended Language

The following language should be appended to the General Education Requirements for Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees in the undergraduate catalog, and the resulting change implemented by the registrar's office:

To complete the minimum 36 credit hours of OTM-approved coursework, students may also complete OHIO's OTM-approved Second Writing course (ENG 2800) and/or OHIO's OTM-approved Oral Communication course (COMS 1030).

Note: The approved catalog language (included above) incorrectly lists ENG 2820 as the approved 2nd writing course, rather than ENG 2800. The actual catalog does contain the correct course number.

