

ILLINOIS ARTICULATION INITIATIVE – IAI
General Education Core Curriculum Minimum Requirements
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The Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) is the statewide agreement among all of the public and some selected private four-year and two-year higher education institutions in Illinois. The Illinois Transferable General Education Core Curriculum consists of 12 to 13 courses (37 to 41 semester hours of credit) within 5 areas. The general requirements are as follows:

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>	<u>3 courses (9 semester hours)</u>
C1 – Writing Courses (2 courses)	
C2 – Oral Communication	
<u>HUMANITIES & FINE ARTS</u>	<u>*3 courses (9 semester hours)</u>
H1 – Foreign Language	
H2 – History	
H3 – Literature	
H4 – Philosophy	
H5 – Religious Studies	
H9 – Interdisciplinary Humanities	
F1 – Performing Arts	
F2 – Visual Arts	
F9 – Interdisciplinary Arts (Visual & Performing Arts)	
HF – Interdisciplinary Humanities and Fine Arts	
HS -- Interdisciplinary Humanities/Fine Arts and Social/Behavioral Sciences	
<u>MATHEMATICS</u>	<u>1 to 2 courses (3 to 6 semester hours)</u>
M1 – Mathematics	
<u>PHYSICAL & LIFE SCIENCES</u>	<u>**2 courses (7 to 8 semester hours)</u>
P1 – Physical Science	
P9 – General Physical Science	
L1 – Life Science	
LP -- Interdisciplinary Physical and Life Science	
<u>SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES</u>	<u>***3 courses (9 semester hours)</u>
S1 – Anthropology	
S2 – History	
S3 – Economics	
S4 - Human Geography	
S5 – Political Science	
S6 – Psychology	
S7 – Sociology	
S9 – Interdisciplinary Social/Behavioral Science	

*HUMANITIES & FINE ARTS: Must have at least one course from each area.

**PHYSICAL & LIFE SCIENCES: Must have one course from each science and one course must include a laboratory.

***SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES: Must be chosen from at least two subject areas.

Appropriate AP and CLEP exams may be used to fulfill requirements for students who earn an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree prior to transfer. For other transfer students, Illinois State University policies on AP and CLEP will be followed. Where appropriate, AP and CLEP credit will be used to meet Core requirements.

Illinois State will substitute an advanced Calculus course and/or waive a Communication course for students with appropriate preparation. A minimum of 12 courses and 37 semester hours will still be required.

Students with appropriate preparation may substitute an initial course designated for science majors in the Physical and Life Sciences area.

Students not completing the IAI General Education Core Curriculum before transfer will have the opportunity to complete the Core by taking ISU-approved IAI courses or may choose to follow the ISU General Education Program requirements to fulfill the general education component of the baccalaureate degree.

Students transferring from an out-of-state school will follow the IAI General Education Core Curriculum as long as one course transfers as an IAI requirement.

Students completing the baccalaureate-oriented AA/AS Degree at a regionally accredited community college will be evaluated as having completed all lower division general education requirements at ISU.

Students who have not completed the AA/AS Degree or the IAI General Education Core Curriculum prior to transfer should discuss with their ISU advisor which general education program will be best for them.

Students entering ISU as freshmen will follow the ISU General Education program.

For a detailed list of courses and additional information about IAI see their website at www.iTransfer.org.