N General Studies, Specialized Diploma (2024-2025 Catalog)

Developmental Education Courses (if required)					
	ACLS050	Introduction to Academic Literacy			
	ENGL027	Writing Skills Workshop			
	MATH020	Pre-Algebra			
	MATH022	Elementary Algebra			
	MATH026	Intermediate Algebra			

Placement in English and/or Mathematics must first be determined by <u>official</u> transcripts and/or placement testing. Developmental education courses are only taken if needed based on a student's placement; these courses would be in addition to the courses outlined below. Developmental education courses may extend the timeline to degree completion. Transferring credits into NCC: Official transcripts are required; awarded credit will appear in Workday's Academic Progress (this includes AP or credits from other colleges).

	complete	Course #	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisites / Corequisites / Notes
Semester 1		COLS101	College Success	1	Exempt: COLS150 or 12+ transfer credits & 2.0 GPA
		COMM101	Introduction to Communication	3	
		ENGL101	English I	3	PRE: English Placement Policy
			Business & Technology Elective	3/4	
			SSHB General Education Elective*	3	
			Total Semester Credits:	13/14	
Semester 2		ENGL151	English II * (Literature, Report or Technical)	3	PRE: ENGL101
			Math (QL) or Science (SCI) Elective	3/4	
			SIT General Education Elective*	3	
			AH General Education Elective*	3	
			Elective*	3	
			Total Semester Credits:	15/16	
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Program Notes:

*One course must satisfy a diversity requirement.

Minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher is required to receive the diploma.

Courses completed in the Specialized Diploma can apply towards a number of other associate degrees, including the General Studies, Associate in Arts degree.

Students should discuss with their assigned advisor if it is appropriate to change their major to the Specialized Diploma. In most cases, students will remain declared in their primary associate degree and should contact graduation@northampton.edu to apply to receive their General Studies, Specialized Diploma.

How to search in Workday for general education electives: Select Academics, then Find Course Sections and Register, use the filter options to the left, below Current Search, to view eligible courses. Select Course Tags, then choose the specific elective option needed (Ex. Arts & Humanities-AH).

General Education Requirement Diversity (D)

It is the student's responsibility to be knowledgeable of NCC graduation requirements and to verify transfer requirements with the 4-year institution. Courses listed on the program map are based upon the assumption that prerequisites and courses taken in previous semesters will be successfully completed.