The Associate in Fine Arts degree (AFA) is designed to prepare students to transfer as juniors into a bachelor’s degree program (BFA) in Studio Art. Students are encouraged to complete their core courses in Art before enrolling in media-specific studio courses. A portfolio is usually required for transfer to a four-year institution. Students are strongly encouraged to consult their instructors and with counselors and advisors in the PSC Counseling and Advising Center (or with the university where they expect to transfer) for information regarding the most appropriate courses to take while at Prairie State College.

**PSC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AFA DEGREE:**

1. Successfully completed at least 15 semester hours of credit at Prairie State College (excluding proficiency credit).
2. Completed 62 semester hours of college credit as specified in the AA/AS degree requirements, including the Transferable General Education Core Curriculum of 37-41 credits.
3. Attained a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in all Prairie State College Courses. **CURRENT PSC CUMULATIVE GPA:** _____________ after _____________ credits.
4. Filed the appropriate evidence of high school graduation or GED certificate in the Office of Enrollment Services.
5. File a Graduation Petition Form, and pay the $20 Graduation Fee, in the Office of Enrollment Services. **Deadline for Filing:** October 1st for December graduation, March 1st for May graduation, July 1st for August graduation. **(December, May & August candidates may choose to participate in the annual May Commencement Ceremony. Deadline to apply for ceremony is March 1st)**

**Please note:**

**DUAL DEGREE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT:** Students who wish to receive both the Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science degrees must complete an additional 12 credit hours in the second concentration area that is selected.

**REQUEST FOR ALTERATION OF GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:** Any petition for alteration of graduation requirements must be submitted to the Office of Enrollment Services on a Student Appeal Form at least one semester prior to graduation.

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS:** While few baccalaureate institutions require a foreign language in their campus-wide general education requirements, competency through two, three, or four college semesters (or high school equivalent) in a single foreign/second language is required for the Bachelors degree at some universities. Thus, community college students who intend to transfer should plan to complete the foreign language courses required by their intended institution prior to transferring.

**U.S. AND STATE OF ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION REQUIREMENTS:** As of October 2008, PSC no longer requires the constitution proficiencies to graduate with an Associate’s degree. However, some baccalaureate institutions may still require them. Students can fulfill these requirements by taking POLSC 140 or POLSC 152.
# AFA DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

## AFA TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS:
(31-32 credits as specified in the areas listed below)

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- **Must complete COMPASS Assessment Test** (or submit proof of completion of English course with C or better from another accredited college)

- **Must Satisfy All Required Developmental English and Reading Prerequisites:**
  - Developmental Reading Course(s) needed, if any: ___RDG 098(4)
  - Developmental English Course(s) needed, if any: ___ENG 098(4) ___ENG 099(6)

## AREA A: COMMUNICATION (9 credits)

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<th>Writing Course Sequence</th>
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<td>ENG 101, 102 <strong>(Must have a grade of C or better)</strong></td>
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- **Credits Completed:**
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## AREA B: HUMANITIES (6 credits)

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- **Credits Completed:**
- **Credits Needed:**

## MANDATORY MATHEMATICS PRE-REQUISITES for Area C:

- **Must complete COMPASS Assessment Test or submit ACT math score** (or submit proof of completion of math course with C or better from another accredited college)

- **Must Satisfy All Required Developmental Mathematics AND Geometry Prerequisites:**
  - Developmental MATH Course(s) needed, if any: ___MATH 080 ___MATH 085 ___MATH 090 ___MATH 095
  - **Geometry Prerequisite** can be met by proof of 2 semester of high school geometry with C or better each term, OR by passing the COMPASS Geometry Test, OR by completing MATH 096 with C or better.

- **Geometry Requirement Met:** **Yes** **NO** **(Needs MATH 096 before registering for college-level math courses)**

## AREA C: MATHEMATICS (3 credits)

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- **Credits Completed:**
- **Credits Needed:**
### AREA D: PHYSICAL & LIFE SCIENCES (7-8 credits)
Select 2 courses with one course selected from the life sciences and one course from the physical sciences and including at least one laboratory course from:

**Life Science Courses**
BIOL 100, 103, 105, 106, 107, 111, 112*

**Physical Science Courses**
ASTRO 101 (was 150), 104 (was 200)
CHEM 105, 110*
GEOG 105
GEOLO 101 (was 210)
METEO 150
PHYS 111, 112
PHYS1 101, 105, 120, 210*

*Recommended for science, math or engineering majors only.

**NOTE:** Students cannot receive credit for both BIOL 100 & 112; CHEM 105 & 110; METEO 150 & PHYSIC 112.

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**Credits Completed:**
Lab Science Requirement
Met?
Yes_____ No_____

**Credits Needed:**

**NOTE:** The following courses do not have a lab component: BIOL 103, 105, 107, ASTRO 101 (was 150), GEOG 105, METEO 150

### AREA E: SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (6 credits)
Select 2 courses (6 semester credits), with courses selected from at least two disciplines, from:

ANTHR 215, 222
ECON 201, 202
GEOG 101
HIST 111, 112, 115, 116, 140, 151, 152, 201, 202
POLS 101, 140, 152, 230, 240
PSYCH 101, 102, 215
SOCIO 101, 111, 210, 215, 220

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**Credits Completed:**
Two different disciplines selected? Yes_____ No_____

**Credits Needed:**

### TOTAL AFA GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS (Area A-E) (31-32 credits required)

**Total Area A-E Credits Completed:**

**Total Area A-E Credits Needed:**
### AFA MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS
(30 credits required)

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### ART CORE COURSES (21 credits required)
- ART 101 - Two Dimensional Design (3)
- ART 102 - Three Dimensional Design (3)
- ART 104 - Drawing I (3)
- ART 106 - Drawing II (3)
- ART 121 - History of Western Art I (3)
- ART 122 - History of Western Art II (3)
- ART 162 - Life Drawing (3)

### MEDIA-SPECIFIC STUDIO COURSES (9 credits req.)
Select 3 studio courses from at least two media in consultation with an art department advisor.

#### (Art Studio Courses)
- ART 109 - Ceramics (3)
- ART 201 - Painting I (3)
- ART 202 - Painting II (3)
- ART 205 - Printmaking (3)

#### (Graphic Design Studio Courses)
- ART 115 - Introduction to Computer Art (3) (was ART 210)
- GC 151 - Principles of Graphic Design (3)

#### (Photography Studio Courses)
- PHOTO 171 - Intro to Photography (3)

### TOTAL AFA GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS (Area A-E)
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### ADVISED BY:

SIGNATURE: Counselor or Advisor or Faculty Advisor  Date

This is an UNOFFICIAL evaluation. Official Evaluations must be requested in the Office of Enrollment Services.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
- Counseling and Academic Advising Center  Room 1190  (708) 709-3506
- Paul Rinaldi, Associate Professor of Art  Room 4145  (708) 709-3673  prinaldi@prairiestate.edu
- Louis Shields, Associate Professor of Art History  Room 4262  (708) 709-7771  lshields@prairiestate.edu
- Art Studio  Room K Bldg  (708) 709-7850

### FOR TRANSFER INFORMATION:
- MyCreditsTransfer, formerly known as u.select: [http://www.transferology.com/state/il?all](http://www.transferology.com/state/il?all)
- Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org)
- Links to Articulation Tables for Illinois Colleges: [http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf](http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf)
- Visit the web sites of colleges and universities to which you plan to transfer.

### FOR FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION: