

# REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (ONLINE)

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## Associate of Arts (A.A.) (Online)

1. A cumulative GPA of at least 2.0.
2. A minimum of 60 semester credit hours. Of these, the following must be taken in programs that meet Bethel residency requirements:
  - a. at least 28 credits.
  - b. SOCS 110 for students in Transfer Level A.
  - c. Specific courses in a program may be required to be taken in residence.
3. Completion of required courses, lower-division (100-200 level only) general education curriculum and electives, distributed as indicated.
4. Upon completion of requirements 1–3, participation in a commencement ceremony is expected. The Application for Commencement must be submitted to the Registrar's Office.

## General Requirements

General requirements allow for inclusion of credits from a higher level. Students graduate under the requirements of the most current catalog at the time they enter Bethel for the last time. Any substitutions are determined by the College of Arts, Sciences, and Education.

A bachelor's degree will not be awarded until at least one academic term after an associate's degree has been awarded.

Courses must meet the Goal Area requirements (<https://catalog.bethel.edu/academic-information/general-education/>) below:

Goal Area 1: Communication	8 credit minimum: including ENGL 230R.
Goal Area 2: Critical Thinking	4 credit minimum: SOCS 110 (4 credits) is required in residence for Transfer Level A. Including HEPE 260 Physiology of Wellness (4 cr)
Goal Area 3: Natural Sciences	8 credit minimum with at least 4 credits of a lab science.
Goal Area 4: Mathematical/Logical Reasoning	4 credit minimum
Goal Area 5: History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences	8 credit minimum
Goal Area 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts	8 credit minimum with at least 4 credits from BIBL 230 Bible in real life.