



Transfer Credit Ohio

Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathways

STARK STATE COLLEGE

Communication Studies

Associate of Arts

EFFECTIVE BEGINNING ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-26

LAST REVISED: January 13, 2026

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS/OHIO TRANSFER 36		COURSE NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS
ENGLISH COMPOSITION AND ORAL COMMUNICATION			3
Course 1:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved First Writing (TME001) course or Second Writing (TME002) depending on placement	ENG124	3
MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS, AND LOGIC			3
Course 1:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Mathematics course [Recommended: Quantitative Reasoning (TMM011)] ¹	MTH118 or MTH124	3
ARTS AND HUMANITIES			6
+ Course 1:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Arts and Humanities course [Recommended: Humanities related]	PHL122, HIS121, HIS122, HIS221, or HIS222	3
+ Course 2:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Arts and Humanities course [Recommended: Arts related]	ENG233, ENG234, ENG236, or ENG237	3
SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES			6
+ Course 1:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Social and Behavioral Sciences course	SBS Elective (see last page for list)	3
+ Course 2:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Social and Behavioral Sciences course	SBS Elective (see last page for list)	3
NATURAL SCIENCES			6-8
Course 1:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Natural Sciences course with lab	NS Elective with lab (see last page for list)	3-4
Course 2:	Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Natural Sciences course	NS Elective (see last page for list)	3-4
ADDITIONAL CREDITS			12
Courses:	Up to 12 additional hours of Ohio Transfer 36 approved courses ²	Ohio Transfer 36 Electives ³	12
GENERAL EDUCATION/OHIO TRANSFER 36 TOTAL:			36-38

Advising Notes:

Where it indicates "Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved," students should work closely with their advisors.

(+) indicates that the courses chosen should be from two different areas within that category.

¹ Please note that some institutions may require College Algebra (TMM001). Check with your receiving institution.

² It is recommended that an Arts and Humanities or Social and Behavioral Sciences course be selected that is also a course that addresses cultural competence. Second Writing (TME002) is also recommended if not already taken.

³ Select Ohio Transfer 36 approved courses that have not already been taken from at least two different disciplines from the following categories: English Composition: Second Writing, Arts and Humanities, or Social and Behavioral Sciences.



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PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR		COURSE NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS
Course 1:	Intro to Communication Theory (OCM001)	COM125	3
Course 2:	Interpersonal Communication (OCM002)	COM122	3
Course 3:	Small Group Communication (OCM003)	COM123	3
Course 4:	Public Speaking/Oral Communication (OCM013)	COM121	12
PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR TOTAL:			12

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS		COURSE NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS
World Language:	Demonstrate competencies through the intermediate level (Statewide guaranteed transfer courses available in American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, French, German, Italian, and Spanish) ¹	ASL122 and ASL124 or SPN100 and SPN200	8
Electives:	General Electives as needed [May include FYE or Orientation course]	SSC101	1
		COM126	3
		COM223, COM225, COM227, COM228, or COM229	3
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS TOTAL:			15

Advising Notes:

¹World language requirements are typically found for BA degrees, but not common in BS degrees. A minimum of two semesters of world language should be taken if available. Additional world language courses may be needed as well – check with your receiving institution. Please work with your academic advisor and your receiving institution to determine an appropriate program of study.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE	Total Credit Hours
ASSOCIATE DEGREE TOTAL:	63-65

SPECIAL NOTES

Some bachelor-degree granting programs may be competitive and admission into the program is not guaranteed. Students should check with individual institutions for their program admission requirements.

Some bachelor-degree granting institutions require additional general education courses outside of the Ohio Transfer 36 and students may be required to take these courses in their junior or senior year. Students will still be able to follow this pathway and complete their bachelor's degree in approximately 60 additional credit hours.

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SAMPLE DEGREE MAP

FIRST YEAR

SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
COURSE NAME & NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS	COURSE NAME & NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS
SSC101 Student Success Seminar	1	COM125 Introduction to Communication Theory	3
ENG124 College Composition	3	MTH118 Quantitative Reasoning or MTH124 Statistics	3
SPN100 Elementary Spanish I or ASL122 American Sign Language	4	COM223 Interviewing I; COM225 Sex, Gender, and Culture; COM227 Intercultural Communication; COM228 Nonverbal Communication; or COM229 Persuasion	3
COM121 Effective Speaking	3	SPN200 Elementary Spanish II or ASL124 American Sign Language II	4
Ohio Transfer 36 Natural Sciences Elective	3-4	PHL122 Ethics; HIS121 U.S. History I to 1877; HIS122 U.S. History II from 1877; HIS221 World Civilization to 17th Century; or HIS222 World Civilization from 17th Century	3
COM122 Interpersonal Communication	3		
Total SEMESTER 1 Credit Hours	17-18	Total SEMESTER 2 Credit Hours	16

SECOND YEAR

SEMESTER 3		SEMESTER 4	
COURSE NAME & NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS	COURSE NAME & NUMBER	CREDIT HOURS
COM123 Small Group Communication	3	COM126 Introduction to Mass Communication	3
Ohio Transfer 36 Natural Sciences Elective with Lab	3-4	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective (Arts and Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; or English Composition: Second Writing)	3
Ohio Transfer 36 Elective (Arts and Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; or English Composition: Second Writing)	3	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective (Arts and Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; or English Composition: Second Writing)	3
ENG233 British Literature: Medieval to 1785; ENG234 British Literature: 1785 to Present; ENG236 American Literature: Colonial to 1865; or ENG237 American Literature: 1865 to Present	3	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective (Arts and Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; or English Composition: Second Writing)	3
Ohio Transfer 36 Social and Behavioral Sciences Elective	3	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective (Arts and Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; or English Composition: Second Writing)	3
Total SEMESTER 3 Credit Hours	15-16	Total SEMESTER 4 Credit Hours	15



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OHIO TRANSFER 36 ELECTIVES

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ARTS AND HUMANITIES	Course Number	Credit Hours
British Literature: Medieval to 1785	ENG233	3
British Literature: 1785 to Present	ENG234	3
Introduction to Shakespeare	ENG235	3
American Literature: Colonial to 1865	ENG236	3
American Literature: 1865 to Present	ENG237	3
Ethics	PHL122	3
U.S. History I to 1877	HIS121	3
U.S. History II from 1877	HIS122	3
World Civilization to 17th Century	HIS221	3
World Civilization from 17th Century	HIS222	3

ENGLISH COMP: SECOND WRITING	Course Number	Credit Hours
Technical Report Writing	ENG221	3
Business Communication	ENG230	3
College Composition II	ENG231	3

SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	Course Number	Credit Hours
General Psychology	PSY121	3
Human Growth and Development	PSY123	3
Industrial/Organizational Psychology	PSY124	3
Abnormal Psychology	PSY221	3
Political Science	PSC121	3
Basic Economics	BUS122	3
Microeconomics	BUS221	3
Macroeconomics	BUS222	3
Sociology	SOC121	3
Society and Technology	SOC122	3
Dynamics of the Family	SOC123	3

NATURAL SCIENCES	Course Number	Credit Hours
Intro to Anatomy & Physiology (No Lab)	BIO101	3
Anatomy and Physiology I (Lab)	BIO121	4
Anatomy and Physiology II (Lab)	BIO122	4
Science, Energy and the Environment (Lab)	BIO126	4
Human Biology (Lab)	BIO127	4
Climate Studies (Lab)	BIO128	3
Meteorology (Lab)	BIO129	3
Ocean Studies (Lab)	BIO130	3
General Biology I (Lab)	BIO141	4
General Biology II (Lab)	BIO142	4
Principles of Microbiology (lab)	BIO221	4
Applying Chemistry to Society (Lab)	CHM100	4
Introduction to Forensic Science (Lab)	CHM105	3
General, Organic & Biological Chem I (Lab)	CHM121	4
General, Organic & Biological Chem II (Lab)	CHM122	4
Forensic Chemistry	CHM205	4
Physical Geology (Lab)	GEO141	4
Principles of Physics (Lab)	PHY101	4
College Physics I (Lab)	PHY121	4
College Physics II (Lab)	PHY122	4
Astronomy (Lab)	PHY105	4