



The Pathway to an Associate's Degree at Bellaire High School

The foundation of the associate's degree pathway is a **42 Core Complete Program** (14 Classes) which includes 9 "Component Areas" divided into these categories:

1. Communication – 6 Hours
2. Mathematics-3 Hours
3. American History-6 Hours
4. Life & Physical Science-6 Hours
5. Government & Political Science-6 Hours
6. Social & Behavioral Science-3 Hours
7. Culture-3 Hours
8. Creative Arts-3 Hours
9. Other Component Area Options (Computer Science or Language)-6 Hours

-At Bellaire, credit will be earned through taking a combination of AP courses, UT OnRamps and Dual Credit courses. Students who earn qualifying scores on AP exams are awarded college credit toward the associate's degree for the courses.

-To complete the 60 hours required for the associate's degree in Multidisciplinary Studies-General A.A., 18 elective hours are also required through a selection of other AP, UT OnRamps, and Dual Credit courses. For an associate in science A.S, 18 elective hours are required in Math (at least 6 additional credits) and Science (at least 4 additional credits.)

-Bellaire Counselors will work with students on their individual pathway toward an associate's degree.

-In 9th Grade, interested students take as many pre-AP core courses as possible.

-In the summer, students can take HUMA1301 (Humanities) and SPCH 1311 (Speech) to accelerate them on their path toward an associate's degree.

-In 10th-12th grade- Students take a combination of courses in each component area + the required elective credits.

- If completed in high school, Texas public colleges must accept the full core as complete.

9 Component Areas*

*The 42 Core Complete courses come from the 9 component areas. 18 elective hours are also required through a selection of additional AP, UT OnRamps, and Dual Credit courses.

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| <p>Communication- 6 Hours (2 classes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -UT OnRamps Rhetoric 1 & 2 -Dual Credit English 1301 and 1302 -AP Language -AP Literature | <p>Mathematics-3 Hours (1 class)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -UT OnRamps Precalculus -UT OnRamps College Algebra -AP Precalculus* -AP Statistics* -AP Calculus AB* -AP Calculus BC* | <p>American History-6 Hours (2 classes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -AP US History -UT OnRamps US History -AP African American Studies* |
| <p>Life & Physical Science-6 Hours (2 classes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -UT OnRamps Chemistry -UT OnRamps Physics -AP Biology* -AP Chemistry* -AP Environmental Science* -AP Physics 1* -AP Physics C* | <p>Government & Political Science-6 Hours (2 classes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dual Credit US Federal Government (GOVT2305) -Dual Credit Texas Government (GOVT2306) | <p>Social & Behavioral Science-3 Hours (1 class)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -UT OnRamps Economics -AP Psychology* -AP Human Geography* -AP Macro Economics* |
| <p>Culture-3 Hours (1 class)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -AP World History -AP European History* | <p>Creative Arts-3 Hours (1 class)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dual Credit Humanities (HUMA1301) (Summer only) -AP Art History* -AP Studio Art 2D Design* -AP Studio Art 3D Design* -AP Studio Art Drawing* -UT OnRamps Arts and Entertainment Technologies -Dual Credit Fundamentals of Music (MUSI1303) (Potentially being offered in 2027-2028) | <p>Other Component Area Options- 6 Hours (2 classes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Dual Credit Intro to Speech Communication (SPCH1311) (Summer only) -UT OnRamps Computer Science -AP Computer Science Principles* -AP Computer Science A* -AP Chinese Language* -AP French Language* -AP German Language* -AP Italian Language* -AP Latin* -AP Japanese* -AP Spanish Language* -AP Spanish Literature* |