

Allied Health Associate of Applied Science - Transfer

Requirements Effective Winter 2025

Academic Plan Code: HSAAHAAS

Program Planning Guide

Program Description: The Associate of Applied Science - Transfer (AAS-T) degree in Allied Health helps students advance their education and career training in the healthcare field. This degree is for many types of students: students who have already earned a healthcare certificate and want career advancement; students who are interested in starting a career in healthcare; and students who are planning to pursue a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree program in Community Health & Education or Healthcare Services Management.

Students will develop a rounded education in the health sciences while learning to deliver healthcare as part of a team and improving communication and patient advocacy skills. Students will complete 90 credits of coursework, earning an AAS-T degree in Allied Health. Completing this program prepares graduates for quick entry into a variety of high-demand healthcare careers or to transfer into a BAS program to continue their education.

Prerequisites: Many classes have prerequisites. Prerequisites are those classes that prove eligibility for entry-level classes by testing or by having satisfied prior course work. Course work earned at other institutions must be unofficially evaluated or approved by a program advisor before registering. Courses in this degree with prerequisites are marked with an asterisk (*). See catalog for more information.

Allied Health AAS-T Prerequisites: None

AAS-T Transfer Information: An AAS-T will fully transfer to a BAS program when the receiving college or university has a special agreement (articulation) in place with the specific community or technical college. An AAS-T degree is not accepted in transfer in preparation for Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science programs. The general education component of the AAS-T, however, will be accepted in transfer.

Notes: Advanced placement testing, work experience, and transfer of credits may result in course waivers, credit transfer, and advanced placement.

Program Requirements		
Course Number	General Education/Related Instruction Requirements (32 credits)	Credit Hours
ENGL& 101*	Composition	5
MATH& 146* or MATH 211* or BUS 210*	Introduction to Statistics or Elements of Statistical Methods or Business and Economic Statistics	5
HUM 105 or CMST 205*	Visual, Literary or Performing Arts (VLPA) course. Listed courses are recommended.	5
PSYC& 100* or SOC& 101	Individuals, Cultures, and Societies (ICS) course. Listed courses are recommended.	5
CHEM& 121* or BIOL& 160*	Natural World (NW) laboratory science course. Listed courses are recommended.	5
Additional Academic Course	If intending to apply to a BAS program in Allied Health after completion, it is recommended to take ENGL& 102 or a Natural World (NW) science class to satisfy this requirement.	5
HDC 101	Orientation to College Success - recommended to take within first two quarters at North Seattle	2

	<i>Note: Some students may qualify for an exemption. To see if you qualify, please contact your advisor or retention specialist. If not taking HDC 101, substitute with two credits of electives.</i>	
Course Number	Degree Requirements (58 credits)	
Allied Health Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 10 college credits must be from a completed certificate in an allied health field from an institution accredited by an approved agency (see approved CIP code programs list below). If the certificate was earned longer than five (5) years ago, the students must have been employed in a related healthcare field for at least one (1) year within the past five (5) years. • If fewer than 30 college credits are transferred in from the certificate, the difference may be made up with credits from the following related courses. Courses should be planned with the help of an advisor based on the student's transfer or career goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AMA 117 ○ ANTH& 205, ANTH 275 ○ BIOL& 160, BIOL& 241, BIOL& 242, BIOL& 260 ○ BUS 236 ○ CHEM& 121, CHEM& 131 ○ CMST 205, CMST& 210, CMST& 230 ○ HEA 150 ○ HUM 105 ○ NUTR& 101 ○ PEC 183 ○ PHIL 111 ○ PSYC& 100, PSYC& 200, PSYC& 222, PSYC& 230 ○ SOC& 101 • Up to 60 college credits total may be block transferred from the student's certificate in one or more of the CIP code programs from the approved list (below). If more than 30 credits are transferred in, the remainder will be used to fulfill the "Related Electives" requirement. 	30
Related Electives	<p>Elective credits should be planned with the help of an advisor based on the student's transfer or career goals. Consult an advisor for more information. Additional elective credits can be fulfilled by any combination of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional general education credits chosen from the courses tagged as fulfilling the AA degree "Areas of Knowledge" requirements (marked as VLPA*, ICS, or NW in the online course schedule) • Allied health field certificate requirements if more than 30 credits were transferred in from the student's certificate • Allied health courses with the following prefixes: AHD, AHE, AHI, AHL, AMA, CMA, EDT, NUR, PHA, SHS, SURG • ACCT 110, ACCT 120, ACCT 131, ACCT& 201, ACCT& 202, ACCT& 203 • Up to 10 credits of business (BUS) courses • Up to 6 credits of human development (HDC) courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>HDC 101 counts for 2 credits of this limit</i> • Up to 3 credits of physical education (PEC) courses 	28

	*No more than 10 credits of studio/performing arts VLPA courses will count toward an AAS-T degree	
		Total Credits: 90 (excluding pre-requisites)

Degree Requirement Details:

- Degree requires the completion of at least 90 applicable credits, including transferred-in credits, with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- Up to a maximum of 15 credits may have course grades between 1.5 and 2.0; all other courses must be at least 2.0. No course grade under 2.0 will transfer into BAS Allied Health degrees.
- All courses must be numbered 100 or above.
- Students must have earned a certificate of at least 10 credits from an [institution accredited by an approved agency](#) in an allied health field (see Approved CIP Code List below). If the certificate was earned longer than five (5) years ago, the students must have been employed in healthcare for at least one (1) year within the past five (5) years.
- At least 15 credits must be earned from North Seattle College.
- AAS-T degree completion does not guarantee admission to a university/major program.

Approved CIP Code List:

13.1210 Early Childhood Education and Teaching; 51.0601 Dental Assistant; 51.0602 Dental Hygienist; 51.0603 Dental Laboratory Technician; 51.0696 Denture Technician; 51.0698 Dental X-Ray Technician; 51.0702 Hospital and Health Care Facilities Administration; 51.0703 Health Unit Coordinator/Ward Clerk; 51.0705 Medical Office Management; 51.0706 Health Information/Medical Records Administration; 51.0707 Health Information/Medical Records Technology; 51.0708 Medical Transcription; 51.0710 Medical Office Assistant/Specialist; 51.0711 Medical/Health Management and Clinical Assistant; 51.0712 Medical Receptionist; 51.0713 Medical Insurance Coding Specialist; 51.0714 Medical Insurance Specialist/Medical Biller; 51.0716 Medical Administrative Assistant/Medical Secretary; 51.0797 Health Care Planning; 51.0798 Hospital Central Supply Technology; 51.0801 Medical/Clinical Assistant; 51.0802 Clinical/Medical Laboratory Assistant; 51.0803 Occupational Therapy Assistant; 51.0805 Pharmacy Technician; 51.0806 Physical Therapy Assistant; 51.0809 Anesthesiologist Assistant; 51.0810 Emergency Medical Technician (Ambulance); 51.0812 Respiratory Therapy Technician; 51.0813 Chiropractic Assistant; 51.0814 Radiologist Assistant; 51.0816 Speech-Language Pathology Assistant; 51.0898 Podiatric Assisting; 51.0901 Cardiovascular Technology; 51.0902 Electrocardiograph Technology; 51.0903 Electroencephalographic Technology/Technologist; 51.0904 Emergency Medical Technician (Paramedic); 51.0905 Nuclear Medical Technology; 51.0906 Perfusion Technology/Perfusionist; 51.0907 Medical Radiologic Technology (Radiation Therapist); 51.0909 Surgical Technology; 51.0910 Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Ultrasound Technician; 51.0911 Radiologic Technology – Radiographer; 51.0916 Radiation Protection/Health Physics Technician; 51.0917 Polysomnography; 51.0918 Hearing Instrument Specialist; 51.0919 Mammography Technician; 51.0920 Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Technician; 51.0989 Radiation and Imaging; 51.0990 Hemodialysis Technician; 51.0992 Intravenous Therapy; 51.0993 Radiation Therapy Technology; 51.0996 Cardiac Invasive Technology; 51.0997 Echocardiographic Technology; 51.0998 First Aid Safety; 51.1004 Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician; 51.1008 Histologic Technician; 51.1009 Phlebotomy Technician; 51.1011 Renal/Dialysis Technician; 51.1012 Sterile Processing Technology/Technician; 51.1501 Substance Abuse/Addiction; 51.1502 Mental Health Services Technician; 51.1503 Clinical/Medical Social Work; 51.1504 Community Health Services/Liaison; 51.1590 Horticulture Therapy Aide; 51.1592 Negotiation and Mediation; 51.1593 Human Service Training; 51.1594 Social/Human Services Casework; 51.1595 Guidance Assisting; 51.1596 Applied Behavioral Sciences; 51.1599 Mental and Social Health Services and Allied Professions, Other; 51.1801 Opticianry/Ophthalmic Dispensing Optician; 51.1802 Optometric Assistant; 51.1803 Ophthalmic Technician/Technologist; 51.2201 Public Health, General; 51.2307 Orthotics/Prosthetics; 51.2309 Therapeutic Recreation/Recreational Therapy; 51.2310 Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling; 51.2312 Assistive/Augmentive Technology; 51.2395 Orthopedic Assisting; 51.2602 Home Health Aide; 51.2604 Rehabilitation Aide; 51.2696 Geriatric Aide; 51.2697 Recreational Therapy Aide; 51.2698 Speech/Hearing Therapy Aide; 51.2706 Medical Informatics; 51.3103 Dietetic Technician; 51.3104 Dietetic Assistant; 51.3501 Massage Therapy; 51.3599 Somatic Bodywork and Related Therapeutic Services, Other; 51.3701 Aromatherapy; 51.3702 Herbalism/Herbalist; 51.3801 Registered Nursing; 51.3811 Public Health/Community Nursing; 51.3812 Operating Room and Surgical Nursing; 51.3901 Licensed Practical Nursing; 51.3902 Nursing Assistant/Aide; 51.9998 Multi-Skilled Health Care Technician

Program Outcomes:

- Prepare students for successful entry into an allied health program. Other specific prerequisite courses are required for advanced allied health programs.

- Prepare students for entry into an allied health BAS degree program by ensuring they have met the prerequisite course requirements.
- Develop academic background in the health sciences so student can locate and understand theoretical underpinnings of their scope of practice or specialty within allied health.
- Appreciate the role of scientific inquiry and the changing nature of evidence-based medicine.
- Improve ability to work effectively as a member of health care teams and to better understand how allied health professions contribute to health care delivery.
- More effectively advocate on behalf of patients to diverse health care practitioners and patient care teams.
- Improve oral and written communications, spoken communication, critical thinking, and quantitative analysis to reflect college mastery at the Associate's level.

What are some potential jobs titles and the skills I need to be successful in those roles?

- Emergency Medical Technician <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-2042.00>
- Pharmacy Technician <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-2052.00>
- Health Educator <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/21-1091.00>
- Medical and Health Services Manager <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/11-9111.00>
- Medical Sales <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/41-4011.00>

Wages, employment trends and pathways

- <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-2042.00#WagesEmployment>
- <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/29-2052.00#WagesEmployment>
- <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/21-1091.00#WagesEmployment>
- <https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/11-9111.00#WagesEmployment>
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Suggested Course Sequence: This program of study is designed to build off lower-level certificate programs. Typically, students will complete an allied health certificate program first, and then transfer those credits into this degree to complete the associate degree. Students will then fill in any general education, related instruction or additional allied health or business classes they need to complete the degree. The number of quarters required to complete the degree will vary, but it should be possible to complete the required 90 credits in six quarters, full-time (15 credits per quarter). The course sequence will vary by student. Students will need to consult with an advisor to determine specific course selections to ensure alignment with career or transfer goals.

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