English

Location of Program
Scottsbluff, Sidney, and Alliance, Nebraska

Degrees Offered
Associate of Arts

About the Program
Through a course of study, which includes a variety of composition and literature courses, students can satisfy the requirements for the Associate of Arts degree and prepare themselves to finish the baccalaureate degree at a four-year institution. In addition, the field of study can help students meet the academic, vocational and avocational goals of better writing and more effective communication.

Program Objectives
• Students become more aware of communications, both oral and written, as they pertain to vocational and avocational achievements.

• Students broaden the awareness of their environment through the introduction and exploration of some of the world's great literature.

• Students discover and relate aspects of culture as they evolve from language and literature.

• Students will improve their listening and reading skills.

• Students will achieve basic course work prerequisite to more advanced study in language arts.
English AA (60-67 credits)
Suggested Curriculum

First Semester
Course                          Credit Hours
ENGL-1500 English Comp 1        3
INFO-1100 Microcomputer Applications 3
PHED-xxxx Physical Education 1
BIOS, CHEM, or PHYS - Lab Science 4
FREN, GERM, SPAN, or LATN
Foreign Language or Electives 3-5
Total                                14-16 Credits

Second Semester
Course                          Credit Hours
ENGL-1550 English Comp 2        3
PSYC-1050 Intro to Psychology 3
SPCH-1200 Speech Communications or
SPCH-1390 Public Speaking 3
MATH-1150 College Algebra or
MATH-1170 Mathematical Applications 3-4
FREN, GERM, SPAN, or LATN
Foreign Language or Electives 3-5
Total                                16-17 Credits

Third Semester
Course                          Credit Hours
SOCI-2630 Principles of Sociology 3
ENGL-xxxx Literature (Humanities) 3
Any Social Science 3
FREN, GERM, SPAN, or LATN
Foreign Language and/or Electives 6-8
Total                                15-17 Credits

Fourth Semester
Course                          Credit Hours
ENGL-xxxx Literature (Humanities) 3
Any Social Science 3
FREN, GERM, SPAN, or LATN
Foreign Language and/or Electives 6-8
Electives 6
Total                                15-17 Credits

To Apply
Applying for admission is free and is completed online. For more information, visit apply.wncc.edu.

Meet the Faculty

Andrew Newman
Language & Arts Division Chair
English & Journalism Instructor
Andy Newman teaches English and journalism at WNCC. In addition to holding advanced degrees in English and history, he has seven years professional experience in daily journalism as a reporter and an editor. He continues to freelance for not only the local press but national magazines, journals, and web sites.

Todd Anderson
English Instructor
Todd Anderson was born, raised, and educated in Mankato, MN. He attained his Bachelor of Science in English/Secondary Education and his Master of Arts in Literature. He has been instructing Developmental Writing, Composition 1, and Composition 2 since the fall of 2007 and has been the Instructor of Record for Achieving College Success since the fall of 2008.

Loren Bell
English Instructor
Loren Bell has been an English instructor at WNCC for over 40 years. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and his Master of Arts in English Education from Adams State College in Alamosa, Colorado. Loren's most notable publications include “The Swimmer: A Midsummer's Nightmare”, “The Onion and When the Legends Die”, and “A Kind of Madness: Hetty Sorrel's Infanticide.”

Brian Croft
English Instructor
Brian Croft is the English Composition and Literature instructor and teaches in both Alliance and Scottsbluff. He received his Bachelor of Science in English Education from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and his Master of Arts in American Literature from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Brian enjoys hiking, camping, writing poetry and prose, and researching Nebraska history, especially the cartography of Nebraska.