

**Transfer Guide
Harper College
Associate in Applied Science Degree in Manufacturing Technology
to
Western Illinois University's
Bachelor of Arts in General Studies Degree (BGS)**

Western Illinois University offers the Bachelor of Arts in General Studies with a minor in Industrial Technology as a way for students to earn a bachelor's degree using their AAS in Manufacturing Technology. The General Studies degree program provides access to higher education, through online coursework, for manufacturing industry personnel and allows them to earn a bachelor's degree without losing time on the job.

Harper College and Western Illinois University are willing to enter into a partnership between the AAS in Manufacturing Technology and the Bachelor of Arts in General Studies (BGS) Degree. The partnership allows students to complete the AAS degree at Harper College and then transfer to WIU's Bachelor of Arts in General Studies degree program to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree and the requirements for a minor in Industrial Technology.

Admission Requirements

Students must be at least 5 years beyond high school graduation. This requirement is waived under the following circumstances:

- A. Earned at least 24 hours of college credit.
 - If a student has served one year active duty and not attended another regionally accredited institution since discharge, this requirement will be waived. (Copy of current orders or DD-214 required for documentation.)
- B. A minimum 2.0 GPA from the last institution attended on a 4.0 scale.
- C. A minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA from all schools attended on a 4.0 scale.
- D. If you do not meet the admissions requirements identified above, you may be considered for admission if:
 - You have been separated from higher education institutions for five or more years.
 - You submit a letter of explanation to the School of Distance Learning, International Studies & Outreach explaining past academic performance and why you should be admitted in to the Bachelor of Arts in General Studies degree program.

Any former WIU student admitted to the degree program under option D above will continue under the last transcribed academic standing status (e.g. academic probation, academic warning).

Students who do not meet the criteria identified in A - D above may appeal to the BGS Advisory Committee for admission.

Note: Students who have been academically suspended or dismissed from Western Illinois University must be readmitted to the University before seeking admission to the BGS degree program.

Admission Notes

- Students apply to the program through the School of Distance Learning, International Studies & Outreach office: www.student.services.wiu.edu/admissions/application/index.asp
- A \$30 non-refundable application fee is required.
- Official transcripts from each institution attended must be forwarded directly to the School office.

Additional Information

Following are WIU Bachelor of Arts in General Studies' degree graduation requirements:

- Complete 120 semester hours
 - WIU or IAI General Education requirements.
 - 40 semester hours from a four-year institution with at least 30 semester hours from WIU.
 - 40 semester hours of upper-division credit with at least 16 semester hours from WIU.
 - Maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA from all WIU coursework.
- Complete one Writing in the Discipline (WID) course or one BGS Writing course.
- Complete math competency.
- Complete the foreign language/global issues requirement.
- Completion of the AAS degree does not satisfy WIU general education requirements.

The following is an education plan for students who intend to earn the AAS in Manufacturing Technology at Harper College and then transfer to WIU's Bachelor of Arts in General Studies degree program. The plan includes the AAS degree requirements and courses to complete the IAI GECC (Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Compact Curriculum).

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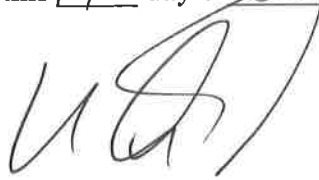
NOTE: WIU general education requirements can be satisfied either through WIU specific requirements or through the IAI GECC. Since 80 semester hours can be completed at Harper College, completing the IAI GECC at Harper College is recommended.

General Education Core	AAS Credit Hours	IAI GECC Credit Hours	Remaining Requirements
Communications	6	9	3 hours IAI communication
Fine Arts & Humanities	3	9 Must select at least 1 Fine Arts and 1 Humanities	6 hours IAI humanities/fine arts

Mathematics	0	3	3 hours IAI math course STAT 171 (preferred)
Physical Science & Life Science	0	7 At least 1 lab	7 hours IAI science 1 Physical Science 1 Life Science
Social & Behavioral Sciences	6	9 Must select from at least 2 different depts.	3 hours IAI social science
Total Gen. Ed. Credit	15	37	22 Hours
Industrial Technology Minor Program Core Requirements			18 hours Industrial Technology Minor
Other	45		20
Total AAS Credits	60		120 (40 must be upper division)

Changes to the IAI course articulations may require an adjustment to the student education plan as outlined in the above degree plan.

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