

General Studies

Keeping your options open for the future.

Achieve your goals fast and efficiently! In under two years, earn your associate degree with our NEW term schedules.

Why Choose P.I.T. for a Degree in General Studies?

✓ **Experienced Instructors**

✓ **Courses Transfer to other Colleges and Universities**

✓ **Intimate Learning Environment and Family Atmosphere**

✓ **Portfolio Building and Interview Coaching**

✓ **Learn at Your Own Pace with eLearning at P.I.T.**

✓ **Free Tutoring**

What is General Studies?

General Studies is an interdisciplinary degree that enables students to explore courses and programs without the obligation to fulfill the requirements of a major in a specific academic discipline. The flexibility of the degree provides students with a rich educational experience across a broad range of academic disciplines. The program allows students to design their program of study based upon their interests and career plans.

Why is the program beneficial to me?

Graduates in General Studies are employed in a variety of fields. The earning of the General Studies degree signifies to employers that you are a highly capable, well-rounded individual who can successfully accomplish complex tasks and communicate extremely well with others. Employers seek individuals with strong oral and written communications skills, mathematics, critical thinking, and computer skills.

Many employers seek individuals with specific skill sets instead of a degree in a particular field. The ability to work effectively in a team, as well as independently, is important to employers.



Where can I go after P.I.T.?

In addition to being prepared for employment, P.I.T. has transfer agreements with many colleges and universities in the area. These agreements enable you to transfer the credits that you earned at P.I.T. and complete a bachelor's degree at any accredited college or university. P.I.T. will prepare you for the next step that is right for you!

GENERAL STUDIES (GEN)

Associate in Science (A.S.)

Recommended Course Sequence

Code	Course (Credits)	_____	Free Elective (3)
COM 108	Communications and Social Interaction (3)	_____	Free Elective (3)
ENG 108	Composition (3)	MTH 207*	Statistics (3)
SIT 203	Basic Office Software Applications (3)	BUS 131	Business Management (3)
HUM 140	Critical Thinking in the Modern Age (3)	_____	Free Elective (3)
BUS 113	Introduction to Business (3)	_____	Free Elective (3)
_____	Free Elective (3)	BIO 105	General Biology (3)
PSY 105	Introduction to Psychology (3)	BIO 106	General Biology Laboratory (1)
BUS 226	Principles of Marketing (3)	PROGRAM TOTAL 65	
_____	Free Elective (3)	*Prerequisite coursework is required.	
ENG 215	Analytical Writing (3)	NOTE: Additional course(s) may be required based on the results of a placement test.	
MTH 145	College Algebra and Trigonometry (3)		
PSY 109	Human Growth and Development (3)		
BUS 231	Business Law (3)		

Course Highlights

BUS 231 – Business Law

This course examines the contemporary legal environment as it relates to business. Among the topics covered are: the origins of law and the legal system, the ethics and social responsibility of business, contracts, agency relationships, and the Uniform Commercial Code.

BIO 105 - General Biology

This course examines the fundamental molecular, cellular, and genetic principles characterizing plants and animals. Areas of study include scientific method and experimental design, computer graphing of data, cell structure and function, metabolic processes of respiration, and photosynthesis, as well as cell reproduction and basic concepts of heredity.

PSY 109 – Human Growth and Development

Psychology and sociology combine in an attempt to understand and predict the behavior of people in their social context. Developmental psychology is the study of the changes in people and their relationships across the lifespan. This course helps students understand those changes in themselves and in the people in their lives.

TUITION INFORMATION

Number of Terms in Program

Traditional – 7 Terms

Academic or Certification Achievement:

Associate Degree for transfer to university or for employment

Tuition and Fees for Associate Degree Programs

- Tuition: \$400 per credit, plus tech fees
- Graduation Fee: \$100
- May exclude books and supplies, course or program fees.

*A detailed breakdown may be obtained in the financial aid office.