



## Program Pathway – Associate of Arts General Studies, Entrepreneurship Pathway

The Associate of Arts in General Studies with an Entrepreneurial pathway is a great way to start, manage, and grow your current or future entrepreneurial venture. Ellijay, home of Dalton State College's Mountain Campus, along with other surrounding mountain areas dotting Gilmer County, are home to a growing ecotourism industry. These include outdoor attractions, mountain cabins hosting vacationers, crafts and antique shops, restaurants, vineyards and more. This pathway will improve your entrepreneurial skills with foundations in English and math, speech, the environment of business, and even Appalachian history. In addition, this pathway includes courses in micro- and macro-economics, accounting, computer applications, environmental sustainability, and financial and managerial accounting. Not an entrepreneur, yet? Entrepreneurial thinking, or "intrapreneurship," is highly valued inside established businesses that demand insights, innovation, and creativity.

Once you complete the AA Entrepreneurship pathway, you are ready to work with local agencies, including the Small Business Administration and Chamber of Commerce, to craft your business plan to launch your new venture.

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This map is a term-by-term sample course schedule and is a general recommendation. DSC encourages all students to take between 30-33 hours per year to graduate in two years. Learning support requirements may impact schedule. ENGL 1101, 1102, MATH 1111 are Area A foundation courses. Bold and asterisk (\*) courses have been identified as "key courses." It is required that students pass these key courses with a "C" or higher in order to be successful in this program. Taking courses in sequence is critical to prevent delay.

First Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
MATH 1111	College Algebra	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
POLS 1101	American Government	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
<b>BUSA 2106</b>	<b>Environment of Business *</b>	3	
HIST 1050	Appalachian History	1	
COMM 1110	Fundamentals of Speech	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
Semester Total		16	

First Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
<b>BUSA 2201</b>	<b>Fundamentals of Computer Applications *</b>	3	Math 1101 or MATH 1111
<b>ECON 2015</b>	<b>Principles of Macroeconomics *</b>	3	Math 1101 or MATH 1111
MATH 1113	Precalculus	3	<b>MATH 1111</b>
HIST 2111/2112	U.S. History	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
Semester Total		15	

First Year Milestones
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete ENGL 1101 &amp; ENGL 1102</li> <li>• Complete Math 1111</li> <li>• Meet with your advisor</li> <li>• Research next steps for future plans</li> </ul>

Second Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
Lab Science	Choose 1: BIOL 1105K, 1107K, 1108K,	4	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
ENGL 2000	Topics in Literature & Culture	3	Co-req w/ ENGL 1102
SUST 2000	Intro. to Environmental Sustainability	3	
ACCT 2101	Principles of Accounting I	3	Math 1101 or MATH 1111
Semester Total		13	

Second Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	3	Math 1101 or MATH 1111
HUMN 1202	Expressions of Culture II	3	ENGL 1101
Lab Science	Choose 1: BIOL 1105K, 1107K, 1108K,	4	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
ACCT 2102	Principles of Accounting II	3	ACCT 2101
COMM 2000	Intro to Mass Communication	3	Comm 1110, Engl 1101
Semester Total		16	

Second Year Milestones
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet with your advisor</li> <li>• Solidify choices for next degree/institution to avoid taking unnecessary courses</li> <li>• Submit Graduation Application to Office of Enrollment Services one term prior to graduation</li> </ul>

Notes:

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