

North Hennepin Community College

Policy/Procedure Information

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Regulatory Authority:

- MnSCU Board Policy 3.36 – Academic Programs Policy
 - <http://www.mnscu.edu/board/policy/336.html>
 - MnSCU Board Procedure 3.36.1 – Academic Programs Procedure
 - <http://www.mnscu.edu/board/procedure/336p1.html>
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Part 1. Policy Statement

The Degrees and Certificates Policy guides the granting of awards and requirements needed for completion.

Part 2. General Education Philosophy

North Hennepin Community College values independent thinking, creativity, and teamwork; students develop lifelong learning skills to prepare them for the interdependent, changing global economy. General education provides a foundation of knowledge in a variety of disciplines; students learn to communicate, think, and apply what they learn in their family, career and social lives.

At North Hennepin Community College, learners expand their intellectual capacity by developing a deeper, broader understanding of the world and building communication and thinking skills. Learners make life decisions by reflecting on their values, connecting them to what they learn, and applying them as engaged citizens. They engage in scholarly activities, develop an understanding and appreciation of culture, and enjoy the pursuit of knowledge.

At North Hennepin Community College the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) provides the general education distribution requirements for the degree programs. The MnTC is designed to give students a college-level general education curriculum that focuses on the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful in modern society.

Review Action	Date(s)
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Shared Governance Council Review	December 11, 2015
Labor/Management Meetings Review	November 16-25, 2015
Student Senate Review	November 19, 2015
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Campus Community Dissemination	January 11, 2016

History

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- Revised
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 - 01-27-12
 - 12-21-15 to reflect changes to board procedure and to lower residency requirement to 15 credits.