The Bachelor of Science General program at RDC is a great starting point at RDC for students who may be pursuing a program that RDC does not specifically admit into (i.e. Dental Hygiene), or for those students who are still trying to identify what Science degree they would like to complete. This guide is designed to help students who are interested in starting their BSc degree, but unsure of the ultimate program/major they will complete. If you know the program you would like to transfer to, please contact the School of Arts & Sciences at artscienceinfo@rdc.ab.ca and let us know! We can help give you more specific registration assistance based on your program of interest.

Universities will offer many science programs that students can complete, but generally speaking there is a fair amount of commonality in first year courses for most programs. As such, the recommended first year schedule in this guide is designed to help students experience a depth of science courses, while setting students up to take second year coursework. Not all of these courses may be required for all programs, but they are recommended for students still unsure of their path. The sooner you identify a specific major and transfer institution, the better we can offer you advice on specific courses. We recommend students identify their goal program and institution as they begin to register for Year 2 courses. That being said, courses recommended in this guide are transferable to both the University of Alberta and University of Calgary (as well as other universities – check with the School of Arts & Sciences if you are transferring elsewhere).

### RECOMMENDED GENERAL SCHEDULE

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YEAR 2 AT RDC

Students can take up to 60 credits (generally 20 courses) of transfer courses, so it is possible to study at RDC for a full 2 years in certain majors. However, it is highly recommended that you have an idea of the program and transfer institution you want to pursue before the end of your first year of study.

If you know the program/institution you want to pursue, contact the School of Arts & Sciences and let us know! This way we can help you plan for year 2, or, recommend you transfer to a university.

If you are choosing to transfer to a university after your first year at RDC, keep in mind application deadlines. Each university will have different application deadlines and for many U of A and U of C programs, the application deadline is March 1. However, each program will have a specific deadline (and some may be earlier than others), so stay up to date by visiting your destination university website and applying early.

If you need help choosing a major, please contact the School of Arts & Sciences Advising & Recruiting offices (see last page for contact info).

NOTES

1. These courses can be taken in either order/term.

2. For students interested in pursuing a major in Psychology, we recommend not to take STAT 251 before consulting with the School of Arts & Sciences (especially for students who may thinking of transferring to the University of Calgary). Students in BSc Psychology programs may be required to take a different Psychology statistics course and may not receive credit for STAT 251. In this case, replace STAT 251 with an option course or contact the School of Arts & Sciences for more information and advice.

3. Examples of available Arts & Science Options for the 2019-2020 academic year can be viewed here: https://rdc.ab.ca/node/80375/attachment (you can pick up this printout from the School of Arts & Sciences in Room 2203 or view on the Loop)

Not all of these courses may be transferable to your University (the majority are). Remember to visit Transfer Alberta to check for course transferability, or check with an advisor.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND

- A minimum grade of C- is recommended to achieve in order to maximize course transferability (for example, the U of A requires a minimum grade of C- to award transfer credit for a course). Please talk to an Academic Advisor as soon as possible if you feel you may be in jeopardy of not getting a C- in a course you are enrolled in.
**HOW TO FIND MORE INFORMATION**

**School of Arts & Sciences**
Advising & Recruiting
Room 2203
artscienceinfo@rdc.ab.ca
403-342-3585 (select option 1)
www.rdc.ab.ca/artsandsciences

**Alberta Transfer Guide**
http://transferalberta.alberta.ca

**University of Alberta**
Faculty of Science
https://uofa.ualberta.ca/science

**University of Calgary**
Faculty of Science
http://www.science.ucalgary.ca/

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

This planning guide is designed to help you choose courses at RDC that will help you start your journey towards a Bachelor of Science degree. The recommendations in this guide are based off current RDC courses that are broadly university transferable, as well as information provided by the institution (either through printed publication and/or communication between our institutions).

Institutions can make changes to their program and/or transfer requirements without consulting Red Deer College. As such, it is recommended you consult with the appropriate institutional information (i.e. university calendars, websites, advisors,) to gain the most up to date information.

You are responsible for ensuring that your registration is completed, and that your course choices comply with the program to which you have been admitted to at RDC and/or to the university to which you wish to transfer. This planning guide is meant to help you gain a basic understanding of your program and provide suggestions for course sequencing.

You are cautioned that any changes to your courses, your major, or your transfer destination may adversely affect your transferable credit or admission requirements for future programs. Consult with the student advisor (above) if you have any questions.

Students in university transfer programs are strongly advised to refer to the calendar of the university that they wish to attend, and should contact appropriate university departments as required.