College of Arts and Sciences

General Education Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree

Semester Curriculum

(Also applies to Bachelor of Arts in Journalism)

Autumn Semester 2014

The following degree requirements apply if you began your career as a regularly enrolled college student at Ohio State summer term 2012 or later.

Note: if one or more full terms (excluding summer) have elapsed between any two successive terms of enrollment at Ohio State, you must fulfill the requirements for the degree in effect at the time of reenrollment.

The following degree requirements are effective autumn semester 2014. Check the web site https://artsandsciences.osu.edu/current-students/academic-programs/general-education-requirements for updated information. Consult your advisor before making enrollment decisions.

Bachelor of Arts (BA) and Bachelor of Arts in Journalism (BA Jour) Majors

The information contained in this curriculum sheet pertains to students following one of the majors listed below. In addition, each Arts and Sciences division offers the interdisciplinary honors contract and the personalized study program majors.

Arts and Humanities BA Majors

African American and African Studies
Ancient History and Classics
Arabic
Art (admission is selective)
Arts Management
Chinese
Classics
Comparative Studies
English
French
Film Studies
German
Hebrew
History
History of Art
Islamic Studies
Italian
Japanese
Jewish Studies
Korean
Linguistics
Medieval and Renaissance Studies
Modern Greek
Music (admission is selective)
Philosophy
Portuguese
Religious Studies
Roman Studies
Russian
Sexuality Studies
Spanish
Theatre
Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies
World Literatures

Natural and Mathematical Sciences BA Majors

Actuarial Science
Biochemistry
Biology
Chemistry
Computer and Information Science (admission is selective)
Earth Sciences
Mathematics
Microbiology
Vision Science (open only to students enrolled in the College of Optometry)
Zoology

Social and Behavioral Sciences BA Majors

Air Transportation
Anthropology
Communication (admission is selective)
Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies
Economics
Geography
Globalization Studies
International Studies
Political Science
Psychology
Sociology
Speech and Hearing Science
World Politics

These majors are also available under the Bachelor of Science (BS) degree. See the Arts and Sciences BS curriculum sheet for the BS degree requirements.

School of Communication BA Jour Major

Public Affairs Journalism (admission is selective)

Goal

Ohio State’s General Education (GE) is an integral part of an Arts and Sciences education. General education, as embodied in Arts and Sciences, provides the development of knowledge, perception, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand society’s traditions and past, its accomplishments and aspirations, its relations and responsibility to the natural world, its diversity and plurality, and its problems and needs. The goal is for you to attain a sense of self within society that invites a continuing desire and ability to learn and work with others for future realization of the human potential. Specific goals aimed toward the broader goal of the GE are listed below under the twelve categories of the curriculum.

The College of Arts and Sciences

The College of Arts and Sciences consists of 38 departments and schools offering majors in the arts and humanities, natural and mathematical sciences, and social and behavioral sciences.

Your Responsibility as a Student

You are responsible for knowing the published policies governing the curriculum you are pursuing, as well as the regulations and procedures of the college and the university. The Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts in Journalism curriculum sheet should be used in conjunction with the degree planning information and college policies, published online, at https://artsandsciences.osu.edu/current-students/advising.

Prerequisites

You are responsible for fulfilling all prerequisites to courses in which you enroll. Failure to satisfactorily complete prerequisites may delay graduation.

General College Requirements

- You must earn a minimum of 121 semester credit hours to earn an Arts and Sciences degree. In addition to the GE, you will complete general college and major requirements and elective course work to reach a minimum of 121 credit hours.

Remedial courses (courses at the 10XX-level or below, and English 1109) and credit hours earned in repeated course work do not count toward the 121 hour minimum requirement for the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Arts in Journalism. Note that you can take both “versions” of cross-listed courses (e.g., Comparative Studies 2670/Philosophy 2860); however, since the two versions are in fact the same course, only one may count toward your minimum degree hours.

The number of hours required to complete the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Arts in Journalism degree with a given major will depend on your program and goals.

1See the Professional Programs in the Arts curriculum sheet for the Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) and the Bachelor of Music (BM) degree requirements.
You may need to plan a program of more than 121 credit hours if you wish to complete specific professional or studio training, are preparing for graduate study in certain disciplines, or have multidisciplinary goals.

If the combination of course work for the GE, prerequisites, and your major program totals fewer than 121 hours, you have many options for the remaining hours, called electives. With your elective hours, you could pursue a second major, a minor, or a combination degree program; select a set of courses on a specific topic; engage in an undergraduate research experience; do internships; and/or study abroad. You are urged to meet with your Arts and Sciences advisor to work out a plan that best fits your needs and interests. In no case shall the number of hours required for graduation be fewer than 121.

Within the minimum 121 credit hours, you must have:

- A minimum of 111 hours of Arts and Sciences or Arts and Sciences-approved courses.
- A minimum of 30 credit hours earned through regular course enrollment at Ohio State.
- A minimum of 10 hours of non-Arts and Sciences and non-Arts and Sciences-approved course work toward your degree. Of the 10 hours, no more than 4 may be from physical activities courses taught in Kinesiology: Sport, Fitness, and Health Program (KNSFHP); physical activities courses include all 1100-level KNSFHP courses except for 1102, 1103, 1122, and 1137. A maximum of 8 hours of technical credit may be counted toward the 10 hours of non-Arts and Sciences and non-Arts and Sciences-approved course work; however, the combination of KNSFHP, technical, and other non-Arts and Sciences credit hours may not exceed 10.
- A minimum of 9 hours of Arts and Sciences or Arts and Sciences-approved upper-division course work.
- A minimum of 30 credit hours earned through regular course enrollment at Ohio State.
- Regular course enrollment at Ohio State and in the College of Arts and Sciences in your final term.

In addition, you must have:

- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 for all work attempted at Ohio State.
- A cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in your major.
- An application for the degree on file in the Arts and Sciences Graduation Services office in 141 Denney Hall.

General Education (GE) Requirements

The curricular requirements are divided into twelve categories. In fulfilling the GE, you may petition (in advance) with your advisor to substitute upper-division courses that meet the spirit of the GE for courses on the GE. If you have transferred to Ohio State from another institution, you can often fulfill part of the GE with approximately equivalent courses already taken. Your transfer course work will be reviewed in Arts and Sciences Advising, and courses that meet the spirit of the GE will be applied to the GE.

You must earn at least a D in a course for it to fulfill a GE requirement. Courses taken on a pass/non-pass or satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis cannot be used to fulfill GE requirements.

Exclusivity of GE, Major, and Minor Courses

With the exceptions noted below, courses may not be counted on both the GE and the major. A maximum of 6 semester hours on the minor may also count on the GE. If the minor consists of more than 12 semester hours, some overlap with the major may be permitted. Consult your advisor.

Some GE courses are listed in more than one category, with the exceptions noted below, however, GE courses may not be used to fulfill more than one GE requirement.

Courses Used to Fulfill More than One Requirement

Courses used to fulfill the Diversity Experiences category may also count in another GE category or on the major. The course used to fulfill the Data Analysis requirement may also count on the major if the course is at the 2000-level or above and approved by your advisor.

Group Studies and Individual Studies

Group studies (XX94) courses and individual studies (XX93) courses are not acceptable for fulfilling GE requirements except when a specific experimental course has been approved by the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee. If a course has been approved, it will be listed on this curriculum sheet.

Requirements for the Major

Your major program must consist of at least 30 semester hours of credit in courses numbered 2000 and above as prescribed by your advisor. Please note that many major programs require considerably more than 30 hours of credit.

You must earn at least a C- in a course in order for it to be listed on your major. However, you must receive a 2.0 cumulative GPA for all major course work. If you earn a D+, D, or an E in a course that is required for your major, the course cannot be counted toward the major. Your advisor will decide if the course should be repeated or if another course should be substituted. Courses taken on a pass/non-pass basis cannot be used on the major.

Your advisor must approve all courses comprising your major. If you change from one major or curriculum to another, consult your advisor. Such changes may result in modifying requirements to such an extent that your date of graduation might be delayed.

At least one-half of the credit hours in the major must be credit from completed Ohio State course work. Note: AP/IB/EM credit and transfer credit from other institutions are not considered to be "Ohio State course work."

If you are pursuing multiple majors, course work may overlap between the majors, provided that each major department allows such overlap and that each major has at least 18 unique (non-overlapping) semester hours. Similarly, if you are planning multiple majors, there may be overlap between major course work and the GE—in agreement, with permission of the major department and at least 18 unique non-overlapping semester hours on the major.

Requirements for a Minor

A minor consists of a minimum of 12 semester hours at the 2000-level and above and a maximum of 18 semester hours. At least 6 hours on the minor must be at the upper-division level. Upper-division courses are defined as all Arts and Sciences courses at the 3000-level or above. Philosophy 2500, all courses taught by departments in mathematical and physical sciences at the 2000-level and above (except for courses numbered 2194), and foreign language courses taught in the language at the 2000-level. Your 39 upper-division hours may come from hours earned for the GE, the major, and electives.

You may count a maximum of 10 hours of non-Arts and Sciences and non-Arts and Sciences-approved course work toward your degree. Of the 10 hours, no more than 4 may be from physical activities courses taught in Kinesiology: Sport, Fitness, and Health Program (KNSFHP); physical activities courses include all 1100-level KNSFHP courses except for 1102, 1103, 1122, and 1137. A maximum of 8 hours of technical credit may be counted toward the 10 hours of non-Arts and Sciences and non-Arts and Sciences-approved course work; however, the combination of KNSFHP, technical, and other non-Arts and Sciences credit hours may not exceed 10.

A minimum of 30 credit hours earned through regular course enrollment at Ohio State.

Regular course enrollment at Ohio State and in the College of Arts and Sciences in your final term.

In addition, you must have:

- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 for all work attempted at Ohio State.
- A cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in your major.
- An application for the degree on file in the Arts and Sciences Graduation Services office in 141 Denney Hall.

Requirements for Additional Baccalaureate Degrees

If you are pursuing multiple degrees, you must earn at least 30 additional semester hours for each additional degree beyond the 121 hours required for a single degree, and at least 18 of the additional 30 hours must be ASC or ASC-approved upper-division course work. If four or more years have elapsed since you earned the previous degree, you must complete 30 semester hours at Ohio State beyond what you earned for that degree. The GE requirements for each degree must be fulfilled. (For example, a student earning both BA and BS degrees is required to complete calculus and a second lab science course, which are not required for the BA, because such course work is required for the BS.) No overlap between majors, or between the major and the GE, is permitted. You must pursue a major different from the major earned as part of your other degree(s). No more than 6 semester credit hours of any previous minor course work may be used on the major for an additional degree. You must also petition for approval to pursue an additional degree at least a semester before your graduating term. You should consult your advisor regarding the petition process. An approved major program form must accompany the petition. Note: different rules apply to students pursuing multiple professional degrees in the Arts, namely the BAE, BFA, BM, BME, and BSD. See materials specific to those programs for details.
The goal of courses in this category is to develop skills in quantitative literacy and logical reasoning, including the ability to identify valid arguments, use mathematical models, and draw conclusions and critically evaluate results based on data.

### Basic Computational Skills
Achieve a standardized test score as specified by the State of Ohio (see note below); or attain Math Placement Level R or higher; or complete Mathematics 1060\(^*\) or 1075; Mathematics 1060 and 1075 are remedial and do not count toward the 121 hour minimum requirement for the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Arts in Journalism.

Note: if you earned an ACT Mathematics Subscore of 22 or higher; an SAT Mathematics score of 520 or higher; a score of 108EA (Elementary Algebra) or 69 CLM (College Level Math) on the College Board’s Accuplacer test; or an Algebra Scale Score of 52 on the ACT’s Compass math placement test, and the test was taken within two years of your enrollment, then by State of Ohio law you are not required to take remedial math (courses numbered 1075 and below) regardless of your score on the Mathematics Skills Assessment. However, you are strongly encouraged to take the math course you tested into, especially if you plan to continue taking a sequence of math courses.

\(^*\)Mathematics 1060 is a terminal math course designed to fulfill the Quantitative and Logical Skills: Basic Computational Skills category of the GE. Students may follow up with Mathematics 1116 to satisfy the Mathematical and Logical Analysis category of the GE. Students who wish to take math courses higher than Mathematics 1116 should take Mathematics 1075 rather than Mathematics 1060. Note: Mathematics 1060 is only offered on the regional campuses.

### Data Analysis, 3 – 5 hours
Choose one course from the following list. The course may also count in your major, if it is at the 2000-level or above and approved by your advisor.

#### Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics 2005
- Animal Sciences 2260
- Astronomy 3350
- Chemistry 2210
- Community Leadership 3537
- Earth Sciences 2245
- Economics 3400
- Environment and Natural Resources 2000
- Geography 2200
- Horticulture and Crop Science 2260
- International Studies 3400
- Linguistics 2051
- Philosophy 1520
- Physics 3700
- Political Science 4781
- Sociology 3549
- Speech and Hearing Science 2051
- Statistics 1350, 1430, 1450, 2450, 2480, 3450, 3460, 3470, 4202, 5201, 5301, 5302

### Natural Science, 10 hours
The goal of courses in this category is to foster an understanding of the principles, theories, and methods of modern science; the relationship between science and technology; the implications of scientific discoveries; and the potential of science and technology to address problems of the contemporary world.

Complete a minimum of 10 hours, with at least one course in the Biological Sciences, at least one course in the Physical Sciences, and at least one course with a lab.

#### Biological Science Courses
- Animal Sciences 2200.01, 2200.02\(^*\) (2200.01 must be taken prior to, or concurrent with, 2200.02\(^*\))
- 2300H\(^\bullet\), 3140, 3140H\(^\bullet\)
- Anthropology 2200\(^\bullet\)
- Biology 1101\(^\bullet\), 1102, 1103, 1105, 1113, 1114, 1113H\(^\bullet\), 1114H\(^\bullet\), 1350, 2100\(^\bullet\)
- Entomology 1101\(^\bullet\), 1112, 2101 (SP 14 and later), 3330
- Environment and Natural Resources 2000
- Evolution, Ecology, and Organismal Biology 2610\(^\bullet\), 2520
- Food Science and Technology 2200
- Horticulture and Crop Science 2200, 2201\(^\bullet\), 2202\(^\bullet\)
The goal of courses in this category is to help you learn to evaluate significant literary texts in order to develop capacities for aesthetic and historical response and judgment; interpretation and evaluation; and critical listening, reading, seeing, thinking, and writing.

Choose one course. A maximum of three hours is permitted from the department of the major across the Literature and Visual and Performing Arts categories, but these hours may not be counted on the major.

African American and African Studies 2251A, 2281, 2350.01A, 2367.04A, 4551A (Global Studies SP 13 and later)

Arabic 2701A, 2702A, 2705

Chinese 2451, 4401A, 4402, 4403A, 4404A

Classics 1105A, 2220A, 2401, 2503, 3402, 3407

Comparative Studies 100A, 2101A, 2102.02A, 2103A, 2104A, 2105A, 2301A, 2846.4HA, 3603A, 3606A, 3606A, 3608A

Education: Teaching and Learning 2368, 3356

English 2201A, 2202A, 2220A, 2260, 2261, 2262, 2275, 2280, 2281, 2290, 2291, 2367.02A, 3361, 3372

French 5801A, 2501

German 2251, 2252H, 2253A, 3252A, 4252

Hebrew 2700A, 2702A, 2703A, 2704A, 2708A

Italian 2051A, 2052A, 2054

Japanese 2451A, 2452A

Jewish Studies 2700A, 2702A, 2703A, 2704A, 2708A, 3371A

Korean 2451A

Medieval and Renaissance Studies 2888

Modern Greek 2500H, 3710A

Near Eastern Languages and Cultures 3702A, 3704A

Persian 2301A, 2701A, 2704


Portuguese 2150A, 2159A

Russian 2250A

Scandinavian 3350A, 4250, 5251 (AU 14 and later)

Slavic Languages and Cultures 2345A

Spanish 2320A, 2321A, 2520A

Theatre 2367.02A

Turkish 2701A

Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 2215, 2367.01A, 2367.02A, 2367.03A, 2367.04A, 2702A (SP 13 and later), 3372A (AU 12 and earlier)

Yiddish 3371A, 3390A

Visual and Performing Arts, 3 hours

The goal of courses in this category is to develop your ability to evaluate significant works of art in order to develop capacities for aesthetic and historical response and judgment; interpretation and evaluation; critical listening, reading, seeing, thinking, and writing; and experiencing the arts and reflecting on that experience.

Choose one course. A maximum of three hours is permitted from the department of the major across the Literature and Visual and Performing Arts categories, but these hours may not be counted on the major.

African American and African Studies 2288A, 3376A (Global Studies SP 13 and later), 4571A

Architecture 5610 (AU 13 and earlier)

Art 2100, 2300, 2502, 2555, 3209H

Art Education 1600, 2367.01A, 2520

Chinese 4405A

Comparative Studies 3607A, 3685A (AU 10 and later)

Dance 2401

East Asian Languages and Literatures 3446

English 2263, 2269

Film Studies 2270, 2271

French 2801

German 3254H

Hebrew 2205, 2245
The goal of courses in this category is to develop your knowledge of how past events are studied and how they influence today's society and the human condition.

Choose one course from the following list or any History department offering at the 2000-level (except for 2194, 2797, 2798, and 2800) or 3000-level (except for 3191, 3193.01, 3193.02, 3194, 3273, 3704, 3797, 3798.01, and 3800H).

- Classics 2301, 3000, 3022, 3215A, 3401, 3407, 3408
- Consumer Sciences: Fashion and Retail Studies 2374
- Economics 4100, 4130A, 4140A
- Engineering 2361, 2362
- History 101A, 1102, 1151, 1152, 1211A, 1212A, 1681A, 1682A
- History of Art 2001A, 2002A, 2301A (SP 13 and later), 3301A (AU 12 and earlier)
- International Studies 3350A
- Jewish Studies 2450A, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2475, 3110, 3450, 3455, 3460, 3470, 3465, 3505A

History of courses in this category also includes any History department offering at the 2000-level (except for 2194, 2797, 2798, and 2800) or 3000-level (except for 3191, 3193.01, 3193.02, 3194, 3273, 3704, 3797, 3798.01, and 3800H).

The Historical Study category also includes any History department offering at the 2000-level (except for 2194, 2797, 2798, and 2800) or 3000-level (except for 3191, 3193.01, 3193.02, 3194, 3273, 3704, 3797, 3798.01, and 3800H).

The goal of courses in this category is to allow you, by living and studying outside the United States, to acquire and develop a breadth of knowledge, skills, and perspectives across national boundaries that will help you become more globally aware.

- African American and African Studies 5798.03
- Arts and Sciences 2797.02, 2798.03, 2798.04
- Chinese 2797.01
- History 3798.02
- International Studies 2797.02
- Music 3350
- Portuguese 2798.10
- Slavic Languages and Literatures 2797.02
- Social Work 5798.02
- Spanish 2798.11, 2798.12
- University Honors 2396H
- Cross-disciplinary Seminars (additional courses to be developed)

The goal of courses in this category is to help you demonstrate an understanding of a topic of interest through scholarly activities that draw upon multiple disciplines and through your interactions with students from different majors.

The goal of courses in this category is to develop your skills in communication across ethnic, cultural, ideological, and national boundaries, and help you develop an appreciation of other cultures and patterns of thought.

You must complete one course in the third language course (1103 or equivalent).

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Education Abroad (additional courses to be developed)

The goal of courses in this category is to allow you to develop your knowledge of how past events are studied and how they influence today's society and the human condition.
Social Diversity in the United States, 0 – 3 hours

The goal of courses in this category is to foster an understanding of the pluralistic nature of institutions, society, and culture throughout the world in order to help you become an educated, productive, and principled citizen.

You must complete at least one course from this area, which can overlap with another GE category or the major. If you do not choose an overlapping course, the social diversity requirement must still be met. Courses marked with a bullet (*) also count in another GE category.

African American and African Studies 2085*, 2201, 2281*, 2288*, 2670.01*, 2676.04*, 3081*, 3082*, 3083*, 3086*, 3230, 3376* (AU 12 and earlier), 4571*

Arabic Communication 2367*

Arabic 2367*

Art Education 2367.01*, 2367.02*, 2550*, 3367

City and Regional Planning 3500*

Community Leadership 3535*

Comparative Studies 2105*, 2281*, 2312*, 2322*, 2332*, 2367.02*, 2367.04*, 2367.07*, 2367.08*, 3686*

Dance 3401*

Economics 3820, 3850

Education Teaching and Learning 4005*

Educational Studies Cultural Foundations 1201, 1202

Educational Studies Higher Education and Student Affairs 2577

Engineering 2367*

English 2281*, 2282*, 2367.01*, 2367.02*, 2367.03 (AU 10 and earlier), 2367.05*

Geography 3750


History of Art 3631 *

Linguistics 2367.01*, 3601*, 3602*

Modern Greek 2367*

Music 2288*

Philosophy 2367*, 3420*

Political Science 4145

Psychology 1100*, 3375

Rural Sociology 1500*

Slavic Languages and Cultures 2367*

Social Work 1140, 2101

Sociology 1101*, 2382, 3306, 3435, 3467, 4608

Spanish 2242*, 2367*, 2389*

Speech and Hearing Science 3310

Theatre 2000*, 2367.01*, 2367.02*, 2367.03*

Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 1101*, 2282*, 2367.01*, 2367.02*, 2367.03*, 2367.04*, 2750H (SP 13 and later), 3322H* (AU 12 and earlier), 3370, 4401*, 4510, 4520

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