



GENERAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Degree Offered: General Studies (B.A.)

Purpose

The General Studies major was established to meet the needs of students desiring a broad-based liberal arts education. This major provides students with greater flexibility in the arrangement of their curriculum than that in more specialized majors. The General Studies major enables students to be exposed to a broad-based curriculum as well as to select an area of concentration and related course work in the natural sciences, behavioral sciences, social sciences, technology, mathematics, professional studies, or humanities. Completion of the General Studies major will lead to a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree, based on the area of a concentration.

Objectives

The General Studies major is designed:

1. To prepare students academically for graduate or professional study.
2. To prepare students academically and experientially for employment.
3. To allow students to explore a variety of knowledge areas thereby enabling students to acquire a broad-based, humanistic education.
4. To give students a large measure of control over their own education.

Entry Criteria for the General Studies Major

Students seeking admission into the General Studies Program must first satisfy the College's admission and financial requirements. Students are allowed into the General Studies Program after being accepted by the Institution, but must complete the entrance criteria before being officially considered a General Studies major:

1. Complete most of the General Education Courses;
2. Complete 30 credit hours in the Concentration (300 and 400 level coursework); and
3. Maintain a cumulative grade point average of a minimum of 2.0.

Retention Criteria for the General Studies Major

To be retained as a General Studies major, students must:

1. Complete the College's core curriculum;
2. Identify, and receive approval of, an area of concentration no later than the completion of the core curriculum;
3. Develop, and receive approval of, a coherent curriculum plan;
4. Demonstrate the ability to work independently; and remain in good academic standing.

Exit Criteria for the General Studies Major Program

To be approved as a candidate for graduation with a B.A. in General Studies, a student must:

1. Complete at least 120 semester credit hours;
2. Earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better; and
3. Earn a grade point average of 2.0 in the area of concentration.

Course Requirements for the General Studies Major Program

General Studies majors must take:

1. At least 60 semester hours of courses at the 200 level or higher and
2. At least 30 semester hours of courses at the 300 or 400 level (Concentration).

General Studies majors must complete at least 120 semester hours as follows:

General Education Core	41 hrs.
Concentration (300 and 400 level courses)	30 hrs.
Related Coursework or second discipline (200 level or higher)	21 hrs.
Music/Art Electives	10 hrs.
Behavioral or Social Science Electives	6 hrs.
Communication Electives	6 hrs.
Internship	3 hrs.
Capstone Project	3 hrs.
TOTAL	120 hrs.

**CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
GENERAL STUDIES MAJOR**

	Core Curriculum = 41 SCH	# of Hours
Area I	General Requirements (2 SCH)	
GED 100	New Student Success Seminar	1
PED 100	Physical Education Activity Course/Health and Wellness	1
Area II	Communication Skills (English) (6 SCH)	
ENG 101	College Composition I	3
ENG 102	College Composition II	3
Area II con't.	Communication Skills (Foreign Language) (6 SCH)	
ENG 107	Speech Communications	3
SOC 290	Technical Writing	3
Area III	Humanities I (3 SCH)	
BHUM 201	Music Humanities	3
Area III con't.	Humanities II (3 SCH)	
PHI XXX	Any Philosophy Course	3
REL XXX	Any Religion Course	3
ENG XXX	Any English or World Literature Course	3
BHUM 202	Art Humanities	3
MUS XXX	Three Semesters of Choir @ 1 hour each	3
MUS XXX	Three Semesters of Band @ 1 hour each	3
Area IV	Mathematics (6 SCH)	
MAT 1XX >	Any Mathematics Course Numbered 100 or Above	
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Area IV	Natural Science (6 SCH)	
PHY	Any Physics Course	3 - 4
CHE	Any Chemistry Course	3 - 4
BIO	Any Biology Course	3 - 4
ES	Any Earth Science Course	3 - 4
ASTR	Any Astronomy Course	3 - 4
Area IV	Computer Applications (3 SCH)	
CIS 100	Computer Applications	3
Area V	Behavioral Science (3 SCH)	
PSY 200	General Psychology	3
Area V	Social Science (3 SCH)	
AFR 201	History of Africa and the Diaspora	3
POL 111	American Government	3
HIS 203	Survey of United States History	3
AFR 221	Survey of African American History	3
SOC	Introduction to Social Science	3
SOC	Business and Society	3

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GENERAL STUDIES MAJOR = 79
SCH.**

Courses Concentration = 300-400 level Related/Second Dis. = 200 level	Credits
Concentration Course:	3
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Concentration Course:	3
Related Coursework:	3
Related Coursework:	3
Related Coursework:	3
Related Coursework:	3
Related Coursework:	3
Related Coursework:	3
Related Coursework/Internship	3
Music Elective:	1
Music Elective:	3
Music Elective:	3
Music Elective:	3
Communications Elective:	3
Communications Elective:	3
Behavioral/Social Science Elective:	3
Behavioral/Social Science Elective:	3
Internship:	3
Capstone:	3
	TOTAL = 79

General Studies Degree Master Plan

First Year

First Semester

BGED 100 New Student Success	1
BCIS 101 Computer Applications	3
BENG 101 English I (1 st)	3
BMAT 101 College Algebra I	3
BENG 2xx Communication (3 rd)	3
BBIO 101 Science (1 st)	3

Total 16 hrs.

Second Semester

BPED 120 Health and Wellness	1
BMUS Music/Art Elective	1
BENG 102 English II (2 nd)	3
BMAT102 College Algebra II	3
BENG 2xx Communication (4 th)	3
BBIO 102 Science (2 nd)	3

Total 14 hrs.

Second Year

First Semester

BHUM 201 Humanities I Mus	3
BSOC Social Science (1 st)	3
BPSY 200 General Psychology (2 nd)	3
BMUS Elective	3
BXXX Concentration	3

Total 15 hrs.

Second Semester

BHUM 202 Humanities II Art	3
BSOC 200 Elective (1 st)	3
BENG Elective (1 st)	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BMUS Music/Art Elective	3

Total 15 hrs.

Third Year

First Semester

BENG 200 Elective (2 nd)	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BMUS Music/Art Elective	3
BYYY Related/Internship	3
BYYY Related	3

Total 15 hrs.

Second Semester

BYYY Related	3
BSOC 200 Elective (2 nd)	3
BYYY Related	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BYYY Related	3

Total 15 hrs.

Fourth Year

First Semester

BYYY Related	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BXXX Internship	3
Total	15 hrs.

Second Semester

BYYY Related	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BXXX Concentration	3
BXXX CAPSTONE	3
Total	15 hrs.

GENERAL STUDIES ADVANCED-LEVEL COURSE OPTIONS

The following advanced level course options are available to the General Studies Major. These courses do not require pre-requisites.

Psychology

PSY 305	Abnormal Psychology (3)
PSY 315	Social Psychology (3)
PSY 321	Developmental Psychology (3)
PSY 331	History of Psychology (3)
PSY 410	Theories of Learning (3)
PSY 425	Theories of Personality (3)
PSY 435	Psychology Research Design(3)
PSY 443	Internship I (3)
PSY 499	Senior Seminar in Psychology (3)
SOC 302	Social Research Methods (3)
SOC 350	Social Gerontology (3)
SOC 413	Marriage and Family Counseling (3)

Global Management & Applied Leadership (GML)

Professional Core

GML 300	Social Environment of Business (3)
GML 311	Introduction to Business Law (3)
GML 312	Global Leadership & Personal Development (3)
GML 313	Leadership Decision-Making (Behavioral Economics) (3)
GML 315	Human Resource Management Principles (3)
GML 318	Comparative Political Economy (3)
GML 319	Policy Analysis and the Role of the Public (3)
GML 320	Talent Management for Effective Leadership (3)
GML 324	Leading and Managing the Global Business Environment I (3)
GML 354	Organizational Ethics (3)
GML 402	Managing Cultural Differences (3)
GML 422	International Business and Entrepreneurship (3)
GML 426	Communicating & Negotiating in a Dynamic World (3)
GML 428	Strategic Planning

Organizational Management & Leadership (OML)

Common Professional Core

BOML 300	Adult Development and Life Assessment (3)
BOML 301	Group and Organizational Behavior (3)
BOML 302	Managing Cultural Differences (3)
BOML 304	Organizational Concepts (3)
BOML 306	Principles of Management and Leadership (3)
BOML 307	Organizational Communication (3)
BOML 309	Global Leadership (3)
BOML 334	Practice of Statistics (3)
BOML 354	Organizational Ethics (3)
BOML 300	Adult Development and Life assessment (3)
BOML 301	Group and Organizational Behavior (3)
BOML 302	Managing Cultural Differences (3)
BOML 304	Organizational Concepts (3)
BOML 305	Issues in Management (3)
BOML 306	Principles of Management and Leadership (3)
BOML 307	Organizational Communication (3)
BOML 310	Grant and Proposal Writing (3)
BOML 311	Introduction to Business Law (3)
BOML 312	Studies in Innovation and Entrepreneurship (3)
BOML 313	Behavioral Economics and Decision Making (3)
BOML 314	Public Relations in Business and Entrepreneurship (3)
BOML 315	Society and the Workplace: Power, Diversity and Management Communication (3)
BOML 316	Business, Government, and Society: Understanding Nonmarket Strategies (3)
BOML 334	Practice Statistics (3)
BOML 354	Organizational Ethics (3)
BOML 411:	Strategic Planning (Student must be classified as a Senior [90 SCH >]) (3)
BOML 421:	Senior Research Project (Student must be classified as a Senior [90 SCH >]) (3)

Music

Advanced Electives

BMUS 300	Introduction to Music Industry (3)
BMUS 310A 310B	Choral Ensemble (1)
BMUS 316	Music History II, World Music (3)
BMUS 317	Music History III, African American Music (3)
BMUS 370	Hymnody (3)
BMUS 410A 410B	Ensemble (1)
BMUS 440	Special Topics (3)
BMUS 455	Independent Study (3)
BMUS 300	Intro to Music Industry
BMUS 301A	Music Technology I (3)
BMUS 315	Music History I – Western (3)
BMUS 316	Music History II – World (3)
BMUS 317	Music History III – African American (3)
BMUS 330	Music Theater I (1)
BMUS 331	Music Theater II (1)
BMUS 334	Promotion of Recorded Music (3)
BMUS 335	Basic Conducting (3)
BMUS 338	Vocal Diction I (English and Italian) (2)
BMUS 339	Vocal Diction II (French and German) (2)
BMUS 340	Intro to Church Music (3)
BMUS 354	Band Arranging (3)
BMUS 415	Opera Workshop I (1)
BMUS 429	Vocal Literature (3)
BMUS 440	Special Project (3)

BMUS 450 Music Internship (3)
BMUS 455 Independent Study (3)
BMUS 460 Recording Studio (3)