

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

General Requirements

- The last 30 semester hours toward a baccalaureate degree must be earned in Grand Valley courses.
- A minimum of 58 semester hours must be earned at a senior institution.
- Courses numbered below 100 do not apply toward the minimum 120 semester hours needed to graduate

Supplemental Writing Skills (SWS)

(after WRT 150)

Students must receive a grade of C (not C-) or better in WRT 150 and both SWS courses to fulfill this requirement.

1. _____
2. _____

Key:

- (A) Arts
(H) Historical Perspectives
(I) Issues
(I-G) Globalization
(I-H) Health
(I-HR) Human Rights
(I-I) Identity
(I-IIT) Information, Innovation, and Technology
(I-S) Sustainability
(NS) Natural Sciences
(PL) Philosophy and Literature
(SBS) Social and Behavioral Sciences
(US) U.S. Diversity
(W) World Perspectives

() Indicates course also fulfills a second General Education category

Note: Courses in the General Education Program are subject to change without notice. Consult myBanner for the most current information.

FOUNDATIONS

Natural Sciences

2 courses, 1 from each category; 1 must contain a Lab

Physical Sciences*

- CHM 102Chemistry and Society
CHM 111Introduction to Green Chemistry
GEO 100Environmental Geology
GEO 103Oceans
GEO 105Living with the Great Lakes

Lab Courses

- CHM 109Introductory Chemistry
CHM 115Principles of Chemistry I
CHM 201Introduction to Chemical Sciences
GEO 111Exploring the Earth
NRM 140The Climatic Factor
PHY 105Descriptive Astronomy
PHY 201Inquiry: The Mechanical and Thermal World
PHY 204Inquiry: Electricity, Magnetism, and Optics
PHY 220General Physics I
PHY 230Principles of Physics I
SCI 226Integrated Physical Science for K-8 Teachers

Life Sciences*

- ANT 206Human Origins
BIO 105Environmental Science
BMS 100Human Health and Disease

Lab Courses

- BIO 104Biology for the 21st Century
BIO 107Great Lakes Changing Systems
BIO 109Plants in the World
BIO 120General Biology I
BMS 202Anatomy and Physiology
CMB 150Biotechnology and Society
SCI 225Integrated Life Science for K-8 Teachers

Philosophy and Literature*

1 course

- CLA 101Greek and Roman Mythology
CLA 201Classical Literature
COM 202Critical Interpretation
ENG 105Literatures in English
ENG 203World Literature
ENG 212Introduction to Shakespeare
ENG/AAA231(W) ..Early African American Literature
LIB 100Introduction to Liberal Education
PHI 101Introduction to Philosophy
PHI 102Ethics
PLS 105Introduction to Human Rights
RST 331Russian Literature in Translation (1800-1880)
RST 333Russian Literature in Translation (1932 to Present)

Mathematical Sciences*

1 course

- CIS 160Programming with Visual BASIC
GPY 200Computer Cartography
MTH 122College Algebra
MTH 123Trigonometry
MTH 125Survey of Calculus
MTH 131Introduction to Mathematics
MTH 201Calculus I
MTH 221Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I
PHI 103Logic
STA 215Introductory Applied Statistics

The prerequisite to these courses is MTH 110 or its equivalent.

Writing

1 course

- WRT 150Strategies in Writing

Students must receive a grade of C (not C-) or better to fulfill this requirement.

Arts*

1 course

- ART 101Introduction to Art
CFV 225Film Culture
CLA 250Classical Art and Archaeology
CLA 275Ancient Drama
CTH 101Introduction to Theatre
CTH 161Theatre Production
DAN 200Introduction to Dance
MUS 100Introduction to Music Literature
MUS 129Fundamentals of Music
MUS218(W) ..World Music
PHI 220Aesthetics
WRT 219Introduction to Creative Writing

Foundations, continued

Social and Behavioral Sciences*

2 courses from 2 disciplines

AAA 200 (W) ...Understanding Africa	LIB 201 (US) ...Diversity in the United States
AAA 201 (US) ...Introduction to African American Studies	PA 270Public and Nonprofit Administration
ANT 204 (W) ...Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	PLS 102.....American Government and Politics
ANT 220Introduction to Archaeology	PLS 103 (W) ...Issues in World Politics
CJ 101Justice and Society	PSY 101Introductory Psychology
ECO 100Current Economic Issues	REL 100 (W) ...Religions of the World
ECO 210Introductory Macroeconomics	SOC 201Introduction to Sociology
ECO 211Introductory Microeconomics	SOC 205 (US) ...Social Problems
GPY 220Cultural Geography	SW 150Human Needs in a Complex Society
GPY 235 (W) ...World Regional Geography	WGS 200Introduction to Gender Studies
LAS 210 (W) ...Exploring Latin America	

Historical Perspectives*

1 course

ANT 215 (W) ...Origins of Civilization
CLA 121Greek Civilization
CLA 131Introduction to Roman Civilization
HSC 201The Scientific Revolution
HSC 202The Technological Revolution
HST 101Introduction to World Civilizations
HST 102Introduction to European Civilizations
HST 103Introduction to American Civilizations
HST 203World History to 1500 A.D.
HST 207European Civilization to the Later Middle Ages
HST 208European Civilization since the Later Middle Ages
MES 201 (W) ...Introduction to the Middle East

CULTURES

World Perspectives**

1 course

AAA 200 (SBS).....Understanding Africa	HST 211History of Islamic Civilization
AAA 300U.S.-Africa Relations	HST 212India: History and Civilization
AAA 302African Diaspora	HST 230Latin America in World History
AAA/PLS 319 (I-G) ..African Politics	HST 235Africa in World History
AAW/ENG 337 (I-I) ..Contemporary Black Literature	HST 240A History of East Asia to 1800
ANT 204 (SBS) ...Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	HST 241A History of East Asia since 1800
ANT 215 (H)Origins of Civilization	HST 310Cultural and Social Topics in NonWestern History
ANT 315 (I-I) ...Comparative Religions	HTM 175International Food and Culture
ANT 316Death, Burial, and Culture	HTM 202International Tourism
ANT 340 (I-S) ...Culture and Environment	ITA 202Intermediate Italian II
ANT 345 (I-G) ...Perspectives on Globalization	JPN 202Intermediate Japanese II
ANT 346Kinship and Culture	LAS 210 (SBS) ...Exploring Latin America
ANT 360Ethnography of Mesoamerica	LAT 202Intermediate Latin II
ARA 202Intermediate Arabic II	LIB 335 (I-G)Sacred Texts – Global Contexts
BUS 301International Business and Culture	MES 201 (H)Introduction to the Middle East
CHI 202Intermediate Chinese II	MGT 303Introduction to International Business
CHI 323Late Imperial Chinese Culture	MGT 466International Management and Multinational Corporations
CTH 373Global Arts Performance	MUS 218 (A)World Music
EAS 201East Asia in the Contemporary World	PHI 210Eastern Philosophy
ECO 349 (I-G) ...Emerging Markets Issues	PHI 240Middle East Philosophy
ECO 369International Economics Issues	PLS 103 (SBS) ...Issues in World Politics
ENG 204World Mythology	PLS 281Comparative Political Systems: Canada
ENG/AAA 231 (PL) ...Early African American Literature	PLS 283Chinese Politics and U.S.-China Relations
FRE 202Intermediate French II	PLS 284Latin American Politics
GER 202Intermediate German II	PLS 382Politics of PostCommunist Europe
GPY 235 (SBS) ...World Regional Geography	PLS 385Russian and PostSoviet Politics
GPY 324Urbanization	POL 202Intermediate Polish II
GPY 350Geography of Russia and Its Neighbors	PSY 355Psychology and Culture
GPY 351Geography of Africa	REL 100 (SBS)Religions of the World
GPY 352Geography of Latin America	RST 225Introduction to Russian Culture
GPY 355Geography of Southwest Asia (The Middle East)	RUS 202Intermediate Russian II
GPY 356Geography of Europe	SOC/WGS 350 (I-I) ...Family and Gender in the Developing World
GPY 362 (I-G)Farmers, Crops, and Our Challenging Agricultural World	SPA 202Intermediate Spanish II
GRK 202Intermediate Greek II	
HST 204World History since 1500	

U.S. Diversity

1 course

AAA 201 (SBS) ...Introduction to African American Studies
AAW/GS 352 (I-HR) ...Black Women's Histories and Cultures
AAA 355History of the Underground Railroad
ANT 311 (I-I) ...Native Peoples of North America
EDF 315Diverse Perspectives on Education
ENG 335 (I-I) ...Literature of American Minorities
GPY 353Geography of the United States and Canada
HST 205American History to 1877
HST 206American History Since 1877
HST 314African American History
ITC 100Introduction to Intercultural Competence
LIB 201 (SBS)Diversity in the United States
LIB 320 (I-HR) ...Voices of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States
LIB 350The Immigrant Experience in the U.S.
LIB 401Visionary Thinkers in the American Mosaic
MGT 355The Diversified Workforce
MUS 219Jazz History
MUS 300Exploring American Music
SOC 205 (SBS) ...Social Problems
SOC/WGS 317 (I-I) ...Sociology of Gender
SOC/WGS 318 (I-I) ...Sociology of Sexuality
SOC 323Families and Society
SOC 381Class, Race, Gender, and Sexuality
SOC 382 (I-HR) ...Race and Ethnicity
SOC 420 (I-I) ...Sociology of Community
SPA 313U.S. Latino/a Civilization and Culture
WGS 255Gender and Popular Culture

*This requirement may be fulfilled through study abroad. Contact the Padnos International Center for details.

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ISSUES

Issues Requirements

- You may choose Issues courses from the same category (Globalization, Health, etc.) or from different categories.
- You must choose 2 courses from 2 different disciplines.
- If a course is crosslisted in two disciplines, your second course must be taken from a third discipline.
- Issues courses must be taken at GVSU.

Globalization (I-G)*

AAA/PLS 319 (W) ... African Politics
ANT 345 (W) Perspectives on Globalization
ECO 349 (W) Emerging Markets Issues
ECO 365 Comparative Economic Systems
GPY 354 Geography and Globalization of Asia
GPY 362 (W) Farmers, Crops, and Our Challenging Agricultural World
LIB 335 (W) Sacred Texts—Global Contexts
PA 372 International and Comparative Administration
SOC 355 Sociology of Work and Employment
WRT 354 Writing in the Global Context: Culture, Technology, and Language Practices

Health (I-H)*

AHS 340 Health Care Management
BIO 309 Plants and Human Health
BIO 328 Biomedical Ethics
ECO 343 Health Economics
ENG 386 Literary Responses to Death and Dying
HST 370 History of Medicine and Health
LIB 342 Food Matters
MOV 350 The Obesogenic Environment
NUR 354 Living with Life-Limiting Illness
PSY 367 Health Psychology
SW 322 Responding to Illness

Human Rights (I-HR)*

AAA/WGS 352 (US) ... Black Women's Histories and Cultures
CJ 325 Criminal Justice and Human Rights
CLA 367 Thinking Like a (Roman) Lawyer
ENG 384 Literature of War
HST 318 History of Democracy in America
HST 378 Contesting Human Rights
LIB 320 (US) Voices of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States
LS/WGS 370 Women and the Law
MES 370 Contemporary Issues in the Middle East
MUS 301 History of Rock and Roll
PHI 320 Social and Political Philosophy: Liberty and Justice
PHI 325 Ethics in Professional Life
SOC 382 (US) Race and Ethnicity

Identity (I-I)*

AAA/ENG 337 (W) ... Contemporary Black Literature
AAA 340 African American Culture and Social Thought
ANT 311 (US) Native Peoples of North America
ANT 315 (W) Comparative Religions
ART 391 Civic Studio
BIO 311 Who's Running Your Life: Genes, Evolution, and Behavior
BIO 329 Evolution of Social Behavior
CLA 365 Stoicism, Identity, and the Happy Life
COM 438 Communication Ethics

- Issues courses have a junior standing prerequisite. For class standing, a junior is defined as a student who has earned 55-84 credits. For prerequisite checking, a student must have completed or will have completed at least 55 credits prior to taking the course. However, they can register for the class while the final credits are in progress.

Identity (I-I)* (continued)

ECO 350 Economics of Gender
EDR 317 Class Conscious: Popular Culture, Schooling, and Identity
ENG 335 (US) Literature of American Minorities
HST 322 American Identity and Sports
IDS 350 Civil Discourse
LIB 314 Life Journeys
LIB 325 LGBTQ Identities
MLL 300 What's Language Got to Do With It?: Exploring Identity through Language, Culture, and Literature
PED 345 Disability, Sport, and Physical Activity
PHI 300 Theories of Human Nature
PHI 370 Sex Matters: Feminist Philosophy in the Contemporary World
PLS 301 Poverty, Inequality, and U.S. Public Policy
SOC/WGS 317 (US) ... Sociology of Gender
SOC/WGS 318 (US) ... Sociology of Sexuality
SOC/WGS 350 (W) ... Family and Gender in the Developing World
SOC 420 (US) Sociology of Community
SW 333 Community Work with the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community

Information, Innovation, and Technology (I-IIT)*

AAA 305 Perspectives on the Black Arts Movement
ART 335 Digital Creativity
ART 392 Curatorial Studio
CIS 358 Information Assurance
GPY/MKT/PA 365 ... GIS for Economic and Business Decision Making
LIB 310 Creativity
LIB 341 Leadership for Social Change
MTH 312 Cryptography and Privacy
SOC/LIB 366 American Society and Media
STA 340 Statistics in the Media

Sustainability (I-S)*

ANT 340 (W) Culture and Environment
BIO 338 Environmental Ethics
ECO 345 Environmental and Resource Economics
EGR 306 Urban Sustainability
EGR 406 Renewable Energy Systems: Structure, Policy, and Analysis
ENG 382 Literature and the Environment
GEO 360 Earth Resources in Transition: Conventional to Sustainable
GPY/ENS 412 Global Environmental Change
HTM 368 Geotourism
LIB 322 Wicked Problems of Sustainability
NRM 451 Natural Resource Policy
PLS/ENS 303 Introduction to U.S. Environmental Policy
SOC 351 Urban Sociology
WGS 335 Women, Health, and Environment

Study Abroad

Details about completing a Study Abroad Issue can be found at www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad/.