

General Core in Liberal Arts and Sciences – 30 credit hours required in total.

* Explanations of the academic areas are listed on the following page. Minimum grade acceptable for each course is a C.

Academic Area	College or university	Semester and year taken	Course number and title	Credit hours	Grade
Artistic expression					
Communication					
Information Retrieval					
Humanities					
Language other than English					
Written Analysis and Expression					
Concepts in Historical and Social Sciences					
Scientific Processes					
Mathematical Processes					

***Academic areas**

Artistic expression - Acceptable studies include courses in art, dance, music, or theater that would be part of a major in one of these fields. Such courses provide an understanding of the art form, the ability to analyze form and content in these fields. Please note this must be in addition to the 30 hours of visual art coursework.

Communication - Examples of acceptable studies include courses in communication, English, written or literary analysis, and composition.

Information Retrieval - Studies in this area provide candidates with information retrieval skills. Acceptable studies include courses in library studies, research, computer literacy, and educational technology.

Humanities - This area refers to studies that are concerned with human thought and culture, such as literature, religion, philosophy, and cultural anthropology.

Language other than English (including ASL) - Acceptable courses are those typically offered by the department specific to the language and which are considered core requirements toward a degree in that language. Culture, civilization, and film courses are acceptable when offered by the language department as part of a concentration in that language.

Written Analysis and Expression - Examples of acceptable courses include English composition, creative writing, and introduction to writing.

Concepts in Historical and Social Sciences - Examples of acceptable studies include courses in history, geography, anthropology, economics, sociology, and political science.

Scientific Processes - Acceptable courses are those typically offered by specific science departments (biology, chemistry, earth science, and physics) and are considered core requirements for a degree in any of those sciences. Courses in nutrition are acceptable only if they are in cell nutrition. Applied science courses, such as environmental science, conservation and wildlife management, engineering and agriculture are not acceptable.

Mathematical Processes - Acceptable courses are those typically offered by a mathematics department and are considered core requirements toward a degree in mathematics. This includes courses in mathematical reasoning, quantitative methods, number theory and concepts, algebra, analytic geometry, calculus, geometry, trigonometry, data analysis, probability, and discrete mathematics. Courses in computer science, accounting, finance, and studies in which mathematics is applied to solving problems (e.g., engineering) are not acceptable.