

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT

The general education curriculum engages students in active intellectual inquiry across the liberal arts. Students achieve a set of learning outcomes that meaningfully enhance their analytical skills, develop communication competencies, and familiarize them with modes of inquiry. Coursework for the university general education curriculum includes 19 credits in approved courses in writing, natural or physical science, mathematics or statistics, social science, and the humanities, plus two writing in the disciplines courses.

The distribution for the University General Education Requirement is set out below, along with the list of approved courses in each area. Students should check the approved list before registering for classes. Questions about requirements should be addressed to a professional academic advisor.

Written Communication (p. 1)

- One course in university writing
- Two writing in the disciplines (WID) courses. WID course offerings can be found on the University Writing Program website (<http://writingprogram.gwu.edu>)

Critical or Creative Analysis in the Humanities (p. 1)

- One course in the humanities

Quantitative Reasoning (p. 4)

- One course in either mathematics or statistics

Scientific Reasoning (p. 4)

- One natural or physical science course with laboratory experience

Critical, Creative, or Quantitative Analysis in the Social Sciences (p. 5)

- Two courses in the social sciences

Written communication

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| UW 1020 | University Writing | |
| or HONR 1015 | Honors Seminar: UW 1020: Origins and Evolution of Modern Thought | |

Critical or creative analysis in the humanities

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| AMST 1050 | Explorations in American Culture | |
| AMST 1160 | Race, Gender, and Law | |
| AMST 1200 | The Sixties in America | |
| AMST 2010 | Early American Cultural History | |
| AMST 2011 | Modern American Cultural History | |

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| AMST 2020 | Washington, D.C.: History, Culture, and Politics |
| or AMST 2020W | Washington, D.C.: History, Culture, and Politics |
| AMST 2120W | Freedom in American Thought and Popular Culture |
| AMST 2210 | The African American Experience |
| AMST 2320 | U.S. Media and Cultural History |
| AMST 2350 | U.S. Religion and Politics |
| AMST 2380 | Sexuality in U.S. History |
| AMST 2410 | 20th-Century U.S. Immigration |
| AMST 2440 | The American City |
| AMST 2710 | The United States in Global Context, 1898-Present |
| AMST 2730 | World War II in History and Memory |
| or AMST 2730W | World War II in History and Memory |
| AMST 2750W | Latinos in the United States |
| AMST 3352 | U.S. Women's History to 1865 |
| or AMST 3352W | U.S. Women's History to 1865 |
| ANTH 2750 | Latinos in the United States |
| or ANTH 2750W | Latinos in the United States |
| CHIN 3111 | Chinese Literature in Translation |
| CHIN 3112 | Chinese Literature in Translation |
| CHIN 3123 | Introduction to Chinese Linguistics |
| CHIN 3124 | Introduction to Chinese Linguistics |
| CHIN 3163 | Taiwanese Literature and Film |
| CLAS 2107 | Families and Politics in Ancient Drama |
| CLAS 2113 | The Roman World to 337 A.D. |
| EALL 3811 | Confucian Literature in East Asia |
| EALL 3814 | Religion and Philosophy in East Asia |
| or EALL 3814W | Religion and Philosophy in East Asia |
| ENGL 1050 | Introduction to Literary Studies |
| ENGL 1315 | Literature and the Financial Imagination |
| ENGL 1320 | Literature of the Americas |
| or ENGL 1320W | Literature of the Americas |

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| ENGL 1330 | Myths of Britain | GER 2091 | Introduction to German Literature—in English I |
| or ENGL 1330W | Myths of Britain | GER 2092 | Introduction to German Literature—in English II |
| ENGL 1340 | Essential Shakespeare | GER 2161 | German Culture—in English I |
| or ENGL 1340W | Essential Shakespeare | GER 2162 | German Culture—in English II |
| ENGL 1351 | Shakespeare Seminar | GREK 1001 | Beginning Classical Greek I |
| ENGL 1410 | Introduction to English Literature I | HIST 1011 | World History, 1500-Present |
| or ENGL 1410W | Introduction to English Literature I | HIST 1110 | European Civilization in Its World Context |
| ENGL 1411 | Introduction to English Literature II | HIST 1120 | European Civilization in Its World Context |
| or ENGL 1411W | Introduction to English Literature II | or HIST 1120W | European Civilization in its World Context |
| ENGL 1510 | Introduction to American Literature I | HIST 1121 | The War of Ideas in European and International History, 1750-Present |
| or ENGL 1510W | Introduction to American Literature I | HIST 1310 | Introduction to American History |
| ENGL 1511 | Introduction to American Literature II | HIST 1311 | Introduction to American History |
| or ENGL 1511W | Introduction to American Literature II | HIST 2010 | Early American Cultural History |
| ENGL 1610 | Introduction to Black American Literature I | HIST 2011 | Modern American Cultural History |
| or ENGL 1610W | Introduction to Black American Literature I | HIST 2020 | Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics |
| ENGL 1611 | Introduction to Black American Literature II | or HIST 2020W | Washington, DC: History, Culture, and Politics |
| or ENGL 1611W | Introduction to Black American Literature II | HIST 2050 | History of Jewish Civilization: From the Bible to Modernity |
| ENGL 1710 | Introduction to Postcolonial Literature and Film I | HIST 2124 | Nineteenth-Century Europe |
| or ENGL 1710W | Introduction to Postcolonial Literature and Film I | HIST 2125 | Twentieth-Century Europe |
| ENGL 1711 | Introduction to Postcolonial Literature and Film II | HIST 2131 | History of England Since 1689 |
| or ENGL 1711W | Introduction to Postcolonial Literature and Film II | HIST 2141 | History of France Since 1789 |
| ENGL 3446 | Shakespearean London | HIST 2160 | History of Germany |
| ENGL 3910 | Disability Studies | HIST 2312 | The American Civil War and Reconstruction, 1850-1877 |
| FREN 2006 | Language, Culture & Society II | HIST 2320 | U.S. Media and Cultural History |
| FREN 3020 | Contemporary France | HIST 2321 | U.S. History, 1890-1945 |
| FREN 3100 | Introduction to French Literature | HIST 2322 | U.S. History since 1945 |
| or FREN 3100W | Introduction to French Literature | HIST 2350 | U.S. Religion and Politics |
| FREN 4540 | Nineteenth-Century French Literature and Culture | HIST 2380 | Sexuality in U.S. History |

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| HIST 2410 | Twentieth-Century U.S. Immigration | PHIL 2124 | Philosophies of Disability |
| HIST 2440 | The American City | or PHIL 2124W | Philosophies of Disability |
| HIST 2710 | The United States in Global Context, 1898-Present | PHIL 2125 | Philosophy of Race and Gender |
| HIST 2730 | World War II in History and Memory | or PHIL 2125W | Philosophy of Race and Gender |
| or HIST 2730W | World War II in History and Memory | PHIL 2131 | Ethics: Theory and Applications |
| HIST 3044W | The Price of Freedom: Normandy 1944 | PHIL 2132 | Social and Political Philosophy |
| HIST 3352 | U.S. Women's History to 1865 | or PHIL 2132W | Social and Political Philosophy |
| or HIST 3352W | U.S. Women's History to 1865 | PHIL 2133 | Philosophy and Nonviolence |
| HIST 3360 | African American History to 1865 | PHIL 2134 | Philosophy of Human Rights |
| HIST 3361 | African American History Since 1865 | PHIL 2136 | Contemporary Issues in Ethics |
| HIST 3611 | History of Modern China | PHIL 2281 | Philosophy of the Environment |
| HIST 3811 | The Emergence of the Modern Middle East | PHIL 3142 | Philosophy of Law |
| or HIST 3811W | The Middle East in the Twentieth-Century | or PHIL 3142W | Philosophy of Law |
| HONR 1016 | Honors Seminar: Origins and Evolution of Modern Thought | PHIL 3151 | Philosophy of Science |
| HONR 2053 | Arts and Humanities Seminar | PHIL 3153 | Mind, Brain, and Artificial Intelligence |
| or HONR 2053W | Arts and Humanities Seminar | PSC 2120W | Freedom in American Thought and Popular Culture |
| ITAL 4380 | Italian Journeys Medieval to Postmodern | PSTD 1010 | Introduction to Peace Studies and Conflict Resolution |
| JAPN 3111 | Japanese Literature in Translation | REL 1010 | The New Testament |
| JAPN 3112 | Japanese Literature in Translation | or REL 1010W | The New Testament |
| KOR 3111 | Korean Literature in Translation | REL 2165 | The Gospels |
| KOR 3112 | Korean Literature in Translation | REL 2169 | Lost Gospels |
| KOR 3123 | Introduction to Korean Linguistics | REL 2201 | Judaism |
| KOR 3124 | Introduction to Korean Linguistics | REL 2301 | Christianity |
| LATN 2001 | Intermediate Latin | REL 2314 | Contemporary Philosophy of Religion |
| LATN 3001 | Major Latin Authors I | REL 2401 | Islam |
| or LATN 3001W | Major Latin Authors I | REL 2501 | Hinduism |
| LATN 3002 | Major Latin Authors II | REL 2562 | Mythologies of India |
| or LATN 3002W | Major Latin Authors II | REL 2811 | Confucian Literature in East Asia |
| PHIL 1051 | Introduction to Philosophy | REL 2814 | Religion and Philosophy in East Asia |
| PHIL 1153 | The Meaning of Mind | REL 2981 | Women in Western Religion |
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| or REL 3149W | Biblical Issues |
| REL 3151 | The Historical Jesus |
| or REL 3151W | The Historical Jesus |
| REL 3161 | The Life and Thought of Paul |
| or REL 3161W | The Life and Thought of Paul |
| REL 3405 | Shi'ite Islam |
| REL 3614 | Buddhist Philosophy |
| REL 3923 | Violence and Peace in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam |
| SPAN 2005 | Advanced Spanish I |
| SPAN 2006 | Advanced Spanish II |
| SPAN 2056 | Intensive Advanced Spanish |
| SPAN 3100 | Readings in Spanish and Latin American Literature |
| WGSS 2380 | Sexuality in U.S. History |
| WGSS 3352 | U.S. Women's History to 1865 |
| WGSS 3981 | Women in Western Religion |
| WLP 1020 | Writing, Literature, and Society |

Language courses require placement examinations.

Quantitative reasoning

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| MATH 1007 | Mathematics and Politics | |
| MATH 1009 | Mathematical Ideas I | |
| MATH 1010 | Mathematical Ideas II | |
| MATH 1051 | Finite Mathematics for the Social and Management Sciences | |
| MATH 1221 | Calculus with Precalculus II * | |
| MATH 1231 | Single-Variable Calculus I * | |
| MATH 1232 | Single-Variable Calculus II | |
| MATH 1252 | Calculus for the Social and Management Sciences * | |
| MATH 2233 | Multivariable Calculus | |
| STAT 1051 | Introduction to Business and Economic Statistics * | |

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| STAT 1053 | Introduction to Statistics in Social Science * |
| STAT 1111 | Business and Economic Statistics I * |
| STAT 1127 | Statistics for the Biological Sciences * |
| STAT 2112 | Business and Economic Statistics II |
| STAT 2118 | Regression Analysis |

*MATH 1221, 1231, and 1252 are equivalent courses. STAT 1051, 1053, 1111, and 1127 are equivalent courses. Credit cannot be earned for more than one in either group.

Scientific reasoning

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| ANTH 1001 | Biological Anthropology | |
| ANTH 3412 | Hominin Evolution | |
| ASTR 1001 | Stars, Planets, and Life in the Universe | |
| ASTR 1002 | Origins of the Cosmos | |
| BISC 1005 | The Biology of Nutrition and Health * | |
| BISC 1006 | The Ecology and Evolution of Organisms * | |
| BISC 1007 | Food, Nutrition, and Service * | |
| BISC 1008 | Understanding Organisms through Service Learning * | |
| BISC 1115 & BISC 1125 | Introductory Biology: Cells and Molecules and Introduction to Cells and Molecules Laboratory | |
| BISC 1116 & BISC 1126 | Introductory Biology: The Biology of Organisms and Introduction to Organisms Laboratory | |
| CHEM 1003 | Contemporary Science for Nonscience Majors | |
| CHEM 1004 | Contemporary Science for Nonscience Majors | |
| CHEM 1111 | General Chemistry I | |
| CHEM 1112 | General Chemistry II | |
| CHEM 2151 & CHEM 2153 | Organic Chemistry I and Organic Chemistry Laboratory I ** | |
| CHEM 2152 & CHEM 2154 | Organic Chemistry II and Organic Chemistry Laboratory II ** | |

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| GEOG 1002 | Introduction to Physical Geography |
| GEOL 1001 | Physical Geology *** |
| GEOL 1002 | Historical Geology |
| GEOL 1005 | Environmental Geology *** |
| GEOL 1006 | Science and the Environment |
| HONR 1033 | Honors Seminar: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery |
| HONR 1034 | Honors Seminar: Scientific Reasoning and Discovery |
| PHYS 1003 | Physics for Future Presidents |
| PHYS 1007 | Music and Physics |
| PHYS 1011 | General Physics I |
| PHYS 1012 | General Physics II |
| PHYS 1021 | University Physics I |
| PHYS 1022 | University Physics II |
| PHYS 1025 | University Physics I with Biological Applications |
| PHYS 1026 | University Physics II with Biological Applications |

*BISC 1005 and 1007 are equivalent courses; BISC 1006 and BISC 1008 are equivalent courses. Credit cannot be earned for both.

**To fulfill the G-PAC requirement, CHEM 2151 and CHEM 2153 must both be taken; same applies to CHEM 2152 and CHEM 2154.

***GEOL 1001 and GEOL 1005 are equivalent courses; credit cannot be earned for both.

Critical, creative, or quantitative analysis in the social sciences

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| ANTH 1002 | Sociocultural Anthropology | |
| or ANTH 1002W | Sociocultural Anthropology | |
| ANTH 1003 | Archaeology | |
| ANTH 1004 | Language in Culture and Society | |
| ANTH 2008 | Foundations of Anthropological Thought | |
| or ANTH 2008W | Foundations of Anthropology | |

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| ANTH 2502 | Anthropology of Science and Technology: Twenty-First-Century Brave New Worlds |
| ANTH 3838 | Theory and Practice in Archaeology |
| or ANTH 3838W | Theory and Practice in Archaeology |
| COMM 1025 | Introduction to Communication Studies |
| COMM 1040 | Public Communication |
| COMM 1041 | Interpersonal Communication |
| ECON 1011 | Principles of Economics I |
| ECON 1012 | Principles of Economics II |
| GEOG 1001 | Introduction to Human Geography |
| GEOG 1003 | Society and Environment |
| HONR 2043 | Honors Microeconomics |
| HONR 2044 | Honors Macroeconomics |
| HONR 2047 | Self and Society Seminar |
| or HONR 2047W | Self and Society Seminar |
| PSC 1001 | Introduction to Comparative Politics |
| or PSC 1001W | Introduction to Comparative Politics |
| PSC 1002 | Introduction to American Politics and Government |
| or PSC 1002W | Introduction to American Politics and Government |
| PSC 1011 | Introduction to Politics I |
| PSC 1012W | Introduction to Politics II |
| PSYC 2011 | Abnormal Psychology * |
| or PSYC 2011W | Abnormal Psychology |
| PSYC 2012 | Social Psychology * |
| PSYC 2013 | Developmental Psychology * |
| PSYC 2014 | Cognitive Psychology * |
| PSYC 2015 | Biological Psychology * |
| SMPA 1050 | Media in a Free Society |
| SMPA 2101 | Journalism: Theory & Practice |
| SMPA 2102 | Introduction to Political Communication |
| SOC 1002 | The Sociological Imagination |

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| SOC 2101 | Social Research Methods |
| SOC 2102 | Techniques of Data Analysis |
| SOC 2103 | Classical Sociological Theory |
| or SOC 2103W | Classical Sociological Theory |
| SOC 2104 | Contemporary Sociological Theory |
| or SOC 2104W | Contemporary Sociological Theory |
| SOC 2169 | Urban Sociology |
| SPHR 1071 | Foundations of Human Communication |
| or SPHR 1071W | Foundations of Human Communication |
| SPHR 1084 | Perspectives in Deaf Culture |
| SUST 1001 | Introduction to Sustainability |

*PSYC 1001 is a prerequisite for all psychology (PSYC) courses.