

Progress to degree...

This new online tool is designed to give students the ability to view their progress to degree completion. Accessible through GoWMU, this feature compares student's completed coursework with their declared program of study and provides a report listing which degree requirements have been met and which are unmet.

The progress to degree resource is an aide to complement, but not replace, academic advising and the graduation audit process. Students will still need to file an audit to apply for graduation.

An additional feature of this system provides students with the ability to do a 'what-if' analysis. Students who are contemplating switching their majors and/or minors can see what impact the changes will make in their requirements toward a degree.

Any questions on the Progress to Degree evaluation should be directed to the Office of the Registrar, registrar-info@wmich.edu.



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*an evaluation
tool for students*



degree evaluation

The Progress to Degree report allows students and advisors to gauge academic progress. This process does not replace the University Catalog or the Degree Audit. Evaluation reports are not official and are to be used as an advising tool. The Progress to Degree module is constantly being updated to match the University Catalogs.

Running a Progress Report:

- Log into GoWMU
gowmu.wmich.edu
- Click Progress to Degree
- Select the current term, or the most future term for which you are pre-registered and click Submit
- Scroll down to the bottom on the page and click Generate New Evaluation.
- Click the radio button next to the program for which you would like to run a report and click Generate Request
- Click the radio button next to Detail Requirements and click Submit



reviewing a progress report

The first section of the Progress to Degree report summarizes your curriculum information and provides an overall list of degree requirements, such as overall GPA, minimum number of credit hours, etc. The next section of the report is divided into program areas. These areas may be Intellectual Skills, General Education, Upper Division General Education, Additional Requirements, Program Required Courses, Program Cognate Courses, Minor Requirements, and Four-Year Attribute Check. The requirements appear on the left and the courses or credits that meet the requirements are located on the right.

Intellectual Skills Requirements are the basic proficiency requirements in writing, reading, and quantification.

General Education Requirements are the University requirements that all undergraduate students must complete.

Upper Division General Education Requirements includes the requirement of 6 credit hours at the 3000-4000 level.

Additional Requirements are General Education requirements that are specific to a certain college.

Program Requirements are specific to each program and typically include courses that can also be used as part of other areas (especially General Education)

Minor Requirements are specific to each minor.

Four-Year Attribute Check Requirement includes those courses used to satisfy the requirement that one-half of the courses meeting the 122 minimum credit hours for graduation requirement must come from a four-year, degree granting institution.

what-if analysis

This feature allows students and advisors to compare a student's current academic history to the requirements of different programs. This can be extremely useful to students who are considering switching majors and/or minors.

Running a What-if Analysis:

- Log into GoWMU
- Click on Progress to Degree
- Select the current term, or the most future term for which you are pre-registered and click Submit
- Scroll down to the bottom on the page and click What-if Analysis
- Select your entry term, or catalog term and click Continue
- Select the desired program (listed by the major) and click Continue
- Select the First Major
 - If you want to add a minor, click Add More, and then select the appropriate minor from the drop-down list, otherwise click Submit
 - If you want to add a second minor, click Add More again and follow the same steps
- Click Generate Request
- Click the radio button next to Detail Requirements and click Submit