

# Southwestern Michigan College Course Guide for Western Michigan University Essential Studies (WES) Catalog Years Beginning 2020

All students graduating from WMU must meet the requirements of WMU Essential Studies.

**Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA):** Students whose transcripts have been certified as having fulfilled the requirements of the Michigan Transfer Agreement by Southwestern Michigan College will have satisfied WES Level 1: Foundations and Level 2: Exploration and Discovery requirements. Students then only need to satisfy the WMU Essential Studies requirements of two Level 3: Connections courses (one from Local and National Perspectives and one from Global Perspectives).

**Transferring to WMU without having fulfilled the MTA** requires completion of one course from each of the 12 categories shown under the three levels below in order to graduate from WMU. Prior to registering for your first semester at WMU, please meet with your WMU academic advisor to determine which levels and categories are still needed to complete your degree at WMU.

## Level I – Foundations

### Writing (WR) – Choose one

ENGL 103 | Freshman English II

ENGL 104 | Freshman English III

### Oral and Digital Communication (ODC) – Choose one

BUSI | Small Business Management

COMM 115 | Writing for Mass Media

SPEE 102 | Fund of Public Speaking

### Quantitative Literacy (QL) – Choose one

ACCO 201 | Principles of Accounting I

MATH 131 | Pre-Calculus Trigonometry

ECON 201 | Macroeconomics

MATH 136 | Pre-Calculus Algebra

ECON 202 | Microeconomics

MATH 141 | Analytical Geometry & Calculus I

MATH 128 | Contemporary Math

MATH 153 | Math Elem Teachers I

MATH 129 | Finite Mathematics

### Inquiry and Engagement (IE) – Choose one

ART 110 | Art Appreciation

PHIL 101 | Introduction to Philosophical Thoughts

HIST 101 | Western Civilizations I

PHIL 210 | Introduction to Ethics

HIST 102 | Western Civilizations II

POSC 201 | American Government

HIST 201 | U.S. History I

SOCI 201 | Principles of Sociology

HIST 202 | U.S. History II

SOWK 100 | Introduction to Social Work

HUMA 202 | Introduction to American Pop Culture

SPEE 104 | Introduction to Human Communication

MUSI 110 | Music Appreciation

THEA 110 | Theatre Appreciation

## Level II Exploration and Diversity

### Personal Wellness (PW) – Choose one

BUSI 210 | Personal Finance

PHED 103 | Life Fitness

**World Language and Culture (WLC) – Choose one**

GERM 102 | Elementary German II

GERM 201 | Intermediate German I

GERM 202 | Intermediate German II

HUMA 210 | Introduction to Non-Western Civilizations

PHIL 201 | Introduction to World Religion

SPAN 102 | Elementary Spanish II

SPAN 201 | Intermediate Spanish I

SPAN 202 | Spanish Composition II

**Artistic Theory and Practice (ATP) – Choose one**

ART 204 | Art History II

ART 200 | Creative Process Through Art

ENGL 261 | Creative Writing/Fiction

ENGL 263 | Creative Writing/Poetry

ENGL 241 | Introduction to Shakespeare

HUMA 204 | Introduction to Film

HUMA 205 | Great American Films

MUSI 111 | Jazz &amp; Pop Music in America

**Scientific Literacy with a Lab (LS) – Choose one**

BIOL 101 | General Biology I

BIOL 102 | General Biology II

BIOL 110 | Human Biology

BISC 111 | Biological Science

CHEM 100 | Fundamentals of Chemistry

ENST 112 | Environmental Science

GEOG 110 | Physical Geography

PHYS 101 | Introduction to Physics I

SCIE 190 | Earth Science for Elem Ed

**Science and Technology (ST) – Choose one**

COMM 110 | Introduction to Mass Communication

INTE 126 | Introduction to Manufacturing Systems

MATH 150 | Statistics

PHIL 280 | Biomedical Ethics

PSYC 101 | General Psychology

**Societies and Cultures (SC) – Choose one**

ART 203 | Art History I

ENGL 251 | Children's Literature

ENGL 235 | American Ethnic Literature

SOCI 101 | Introduction Cultural Anthropology

SOCI 202 | Social Problems

SOCI 240 | Minority Groups in America

**Level III Connections****Local and National Perspectives (LNP)**

To be completed at WMU

**Global Perspectives (GP)**

To be completed at WMU

**Diversity and Inclusion**

SOCI 202 | Social Problems

MUSI 111 | Jazz &amp; Pop Music in America

**Planetary Sustainability**

ENST 112 | Environmental Science

GEOG 110 | Physical Geography

INTE 126 | Introduction to Manufacturing