

West Shore Community 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 West Shore Community College will have satisfied WES Level 1: Foundations and Level 2: Exploration and Discovery requirements. Students then only need to satisfy WMU Essential Studies requirements of two Level 3: Connections courses (one from Local and National Perspectives and one from Global Perspectives).

Transferring in 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

ENG 111|English Composition I

ENG 112|English Composition II

Oral and Digital Communication (ODC) – Choose one

COM 101|Principles of Speaking (formerly SPE 101)

SPE 101|Principles of Speaking

Quantitative Literacy (QL) – Choose one

ACC 121|Principles of Accounting I

MTH 122|Analytical Trigonometry

BIS 160|Computer Applications: Microsoft Office

MTH 125|Mathematical Reasoning

CIS 110|Introduction to Computer Concepts

MTH 151|College Algebra

ECO 136|Principles of Economics I

MTH 222|Analytical Geometry & Calculus I

ECO 137|Principles of Economics II

Inquiry and Engagement (IE) – Choose one

ANT 112|Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

PHL 100|Introduction to Philosophy

HIS 141|Western Civilization to 1600

PHL 102|Introduction to Ethics

HIS 142|Western Civilization 1600 - Present

PHL 103|Introduction to Logic

HIS 145|U.S. History to 1865

POL 103|American National Government

HIS 146|U.S. History 1865 - Present

SOC 171|Introduction to Sociology

HUM 103|Humanities in the Modern World

THE 101|Theater/Drama Appreciation

MUS 100|Music Appreciation

Level II Exploration and Diversity

Personal Wellness (PW) – Choose one

COM 110|Interpersonal Communications

SPE 110|Interpersonal Communications

World Language and Culture (WLC) – Choose one

FRN 102|Elementary French II

SPN 201|Intermediate Spanish I

PHL 202|World Religions

SPN 202|Intermediate Spanish II

SPN 102|Elementary Spanish II

Artistic Theory and Practice (ATP) – Choose one

ART 203|Art History 1: Ancient & Medieval
EDU 222|Children’s Literature
ENG 115|Creative Writing
ENG 200|Fiction Writing Workshop
HUM 106|Film Appreciation

HUM 110|Introduction to Humanities
LIT 101|Introduction to Literature
LIT 151|Topics in Literature
LIT 250|Introduction to Shakespeare
MUS 105|History of Popular American Music

Scientific Literacy with a Lab (LS) – Choose one

BIO 114|Fundamentals of Ecology
BIO 122|General Biology I
BIO 123|General Biology II
GOL 191|General Geology

NSC 101|Life Science
PHY 232|General Physics I
PHY 236|Engineering Physics I

Science and Technology (ST) – Choose one

COM 202|Introduction to Mass Communication
MTH 123|Introduction to Statistics

PSY 161|Introduction to Psychology
SPE 202|Introduction to Mass Communication

Societies and Cultures (SC) – Choose one

ANT 114|Native Peoples & Cultures/North America
ART 201|Art History 1: Ancient & Medieval

ENG 251|Introduction to Linguistics
GEO 133|World Regional Geography
SOC 275|Societies & Cultures

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

To be completed at WMU

Global Perspectives (GP)

GEO 130|Geography of North America

Diversity and Inclusion

ANT 114|Native Peoples & Cultures/North America

SOC 275|Social Problems

Planetary Sustainability

BIO 114|Fundamentals of Ecology