

General Education
2018/2019



WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Requirements

University Graduation Requirements:

Minimum: 122 credits _____
 Minimum: 2.0 cumulative GPA _____
 Minimum: 30 credits from WMU _____
 (No credit by exam)
 Minimum: 10 of last 30 credits from WMU _____
 (No credit by exam)
 Minimum: One-half total required credits _____
 from 4-year institution _____
 Other: _____

Student Name

WIN# Date

Intellectual Skills:

Reading _____
 Math _____
 Basic Writing _____
 Computer Literacy _____

General Education Graduation Requirements:

- Minimum 37 credits not including baccalaureate-level writing
- Minimum 6 credits of 3000/4000 level coursework within Distribution Areas
- No more than two courses from any one department may be used to satisfy distribution requirements.
 - Both the college-level writing and the college-level mathematics/quantitative reasoning proficiency requirements must be satisfied before a student may register for any upper-division level course.
 - Upper level courses are defined as those courses with a course number of 3000 or above.
- Additional requirements may exist for specific curricula, majors and minors. Please consult your curriculum, major and/or minor advisor for additional requirements.

Proficiencies:

Proficiency 1: College Level Writing (3-4 credits)	Proficiency 3: College Level Math or Quantitative Reasoning (3-4 credits)
Proficiency 2: Baccalaureate Level Writing (3-4 credits) (Does not count toward 37 credit requirement)	Proficiency 4: Enhance or Develop a Proficiency (3-8 credits)

Distribution Areas:

AREA I: FINE ARTS (3-4 credits)	AREA V: SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (3-4 credits)
AREA II: HUMANITIES (3-4 credits)	AREA VI: NATURAL SCIENCES w/Lab (4-5 credits)
AREA III: UNITED STATES: CULTURE & ISSUES (3-4 credits)	AREA VII: NATURAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS & IMPLICATIONS (3-4 credits)
AREA IV: OTHER CULTURES & CIVILIZATIONS (3-4 credits)	AREA VIII: HEALTH & WELL BEING (2 credits)

Student Signature

Advisor Signature

Effective Fall 2018 semester

Subject to Change – Please reference www.wmich.edu/registrar or your academic advisor for subsequent additions/deletions to the list.

Proficiency 1: College-Level Writing

BCM 1420	Informational Writing	3
ENGL 1050	Thought & Writing	4
IEE 1020	Technical Communication	3

Proficiency 2: Baccalaureate-Level Writing

Does not count toward 37 credit minimum

General Education hour requirement

See your curriculum or major program advisor

Proficiency 3: College-Level Mathematics or Quantitative Reasoning

MATH 1140	Excursions in Mathematics	3
MATH 1160	Finite Mathematics and Applications	3
MATH 1180	Precalculus Mathematics	4
MATH 1500	Number Concepts for Elem/Middle School Teachers	4
MATH 2000	Calculus with Applications	4
STAT 1600	Statistics and Data Analysis	3
STAT 2830	Methods of Data Analysis	3
STAT 3660	Introduction to Statistics	4

Proficiency 4: Enhance or Develop a Proficiency

(NOTE: Please consult your college advisor)

A course or courses in one of the following categories:

Proficiency 4a Advanced Writing

ENGL 3060	Rhetoric, Writing, and Culture	3
REL 2000	Thinking about Religion	4

Proficiency 4b Mathematics or Quantitative Reasoning

MATH 1220	Calculus I	4
MATH 1510	Geometry for Elem/Middle School Teachers	4
MATH 1700	Calculus I, Science and Engineering	4
MATH 2000	Calculus with Applications	4
MATH 2650	Probability/Statistics for Elem/Middle School Teachers	4
STAT 2160	Business Statistics	3
STAT 2600	Statistics Using R	4

Proficiency 4c Critical Thinking

COM 1000	Communication and Community Engagement	3
ENGL 3060	Rhetoric, Writing, and Culture	3
NUR 2200	Foundations of Nursing and Critical Thinking	3
PHIL 2200	Critical Thinking	3
PHIL 2250	Deductive Logic	3
PHIL 3200	Formal Logic	4
PHIL 3250	Inductive and Scientific Reasoning	3
PSCI 1050	Critical Thinking about Politics	3

Proficiency 4d Oral Communications

COM 1000	Communication and Community Engagement	3
COM 1040	Public Speaking	3
COM 1700	Interpersonal Communication	3
HSV 4860	Health Literacy Practices	3

Proficiency 4e American Sign Language

Proficiency 4f Computer Programming and Applications

CS 1110	Computer Science I	4
GPS 2510	Multimedia Publication and Design	3
MUS 2220	Computer Music Design	3

Proficiency 4g Foreign Languages

All Western Michigan University foreign language courses are granted general approval to satisfy Proficiency 4g.

Two semesters of college-level foreign language study will satisfy this requirement; students entering the University with college-level knowledge of a foreign language will be allowed to satisfy this requirement by taking two more advanced language courses or by taking two semesters of yet another foreign language.

Distribution Area I: Fine Arts

ART 1200	Introduction to Art	3
ART 1300	Studio Experience (3-D)	3
ART 1400	Studio Experience (2-D)	3
ART 1480	Direct Encounter with the Arts	4
ART 2200	History of Art	3
ART 2210	History of Art	3
CHIN 2800	Chinese Calligraphy	3
DANC 1450	Experiencing Dance	3
ED 2300	The Nature of Creativity	3
ENGL 1100	Literary Interpretation	4
ENGL 2100	Film Interpretation	4
HIST 3015	History and Cinema	3
HIST 3150	Popular Art and Architecture in America	3
HNRS 4101	Introduction to World Cinema	3
HNRS 4102	Studies in Film	3
INTL 3300**	Education Abroad-WMU Programs	1-16
INTL 3310**	Education Abroad-Non-WMU Programs	1-16
MUS 1480	Direct Encounter with the Arts	4
MUS 1500	Music Appreciation: Live Music	4
MUS 1520	Rock Music: Genesis and Development	3
MUS 4500	Music Appreciation: The Symphony	3
PHIL 3120	Philosophy of Art	3
THEA 1000	Playing with Fire: Love, Politics & Entertainment	3
THEA 1480	Direct Encounter with the Arts	4

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(Note: Not major/minor advisor)**

Distribution Area II: Humanities

AAAS 2800	Topics and Themes in African American and African Studies	3
CLAS 3500	Classical Greek and Roman Mythology	3
CLAS 3510	The City of Gods: Power and Morality in the Roman World	3
ENGL 1120	Literary Classics	4
ENGL 2110	Folklore and Mythology	4
ENGL 2520	Shakespeare	4
ENGL 3070	Literature in Our Lives	3
ENGL 3080	Quest for the Self	3
ENGL 3110	Our Place In Nature	3
ENGL 3120	Western World Literature	3
ENGL 3150	The English Bible as Literature	3
ENGL 3820	Literature for the Young Child	4
ENGL 3830	Literature for the Intermediate Reader	4
ENGL 4160	Women in Literature	4
ES 2800	Human Flourishing and the Pursuit of Happiness	3
GWS 1000	Media and the Sexes	3
HIST 1000	Early Western World	3
HIST 1010	Modern Western World	3
HIST 1450	Heroes and Villains in the Middle Ages	3
HIST 3000	Arts and Ideas: Ancient/Medieval	3
HIST 3010	Modern Arts and Ideas	3
HIST 3300	Canadian History and Culture	3
HIST 3360	Women in European History	3
HIST 3790	WWII in American and Japanese History	3
HNRS 3201	Art of the Book	3
HNRS 3202	Modernism in Art and Literature	3
HNRS 3203	Utopian and Dystopian Fiction	4
HNRS 3204	Postmodern Dystopias: Fiction and Film from 1970 to Present	4
INTL 3300**	Education Abroad-WMU Programs	1-16
INTL 3310**	Education Abroad-Non-WMU Programs	1-16
INTL 4050	Foreign Studies Seminar – Humanities	1-6
LANG 3750	World Literature in English Translation: Views of Humanity	3
LANG 4040	East and West Literary Relations	3
MDVL 1450	Heroes and Villains of the Middle Ages	3
MUS 3120	Explorations in World Music	3
NUR 3220	Health Care Ethics	3

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PHIL 2000	Introduction to Philosophy	4	THEA 1050	Introduction to African-American Theatre	3
PHIL 2010	Introduction to Ethics	4			
PHIL 3000	Ancient and Medieval Philosophy	4			
PHIL 3010	History of Modern Philosophy	4			
PHIL 3030	Existentialist Philosophies	3			
PHIL 3110	Political Philosophy	3			
PHIL 3140	Philosophy and Public Affairs	3			
PHIL 3160	Ethics in Engineering and Technology	3			
PSCI 3600	Ancient Political Thought	3			
PSCI 3610	Modern Political Thought	3			
PSCI 3620	Contemporary Political Ideologies	3			
REL 1000	Religions of the World	4			
REL 2050	Christianity	4			
REL 2070	Judaism	4			
REL 3111	Superhero Comic Book Religion	4			
REL 3115	Myth and Its Study	4			
REL 3180	Death, Dying, and Beyond	4			
REL 3240	Psychological Elements in Religion	4			
REL 3320	Religion and Social Ethics	4			
REL 3360	Zen and Buddhist Meditation	4			
Distribution Area III: The United States: Cultures and Issues					
AAAS 2000	Introduction to African American and African Studies	3			
AAAS 3000	African and African American History, Culture and Experience to 1865	3			
AAAS 3010	African and African American History, Culture and Experience from 1866 to the Present	3			
AAAS 3100	The Black Woman: Historical Perspective and Contemporary Status	3			
AAAS 3140	The Black Community: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives	3			
ANTH 2600	Sex, Gender, and Culture	3			
ANTH 3470	Ethnicity/Multiculturalism	3			
ANTH 3480	Gender and Plastic Bodies	3			
BLS 3050	Introduction to Adults with Disabilities	3			
COM 3070	Freedom of Expression	3			
ECON 3090	Women and the Economy	3			
ENGL 2220	Literatures and Cultures of the U.S.	4			
ENGL 2230	African American Literature	4			
ENGL 4840	Multi-Cultural American Literature for Children	4			
GEOG 2560	Introduction to Urban, Regional, and Environmental Planning	3			
GRN 1000	Introduction to Aging Studies	3			
GWS 2000	Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies	4			
GWS 2010	LGBT Studies	3			
GWS 3500	Psychological Perspectives on Gender	3			
HIST 2100	American History to 1877	3			
HIST 2110	American History Since 1877	3			
HIST 2120	American Culture	3			
HIST 2125	Sport in American Culture	3			
HIST 3160	Women in United States History	3			
HIST 3200	American Military History	3			
HIST 3230	History of Healthcare in the United States	3			
HIST 3260	Native American History and Culture	3			
HIST 3280	African-American History and Culture	3			
HNRS 3301	Jazz, Blues and the Harlem Renaissance	4			
HNRS 3302	Civil Rights and Jazz: 1950-1975	4			
HNRS 3303	Vietnam and Rock	4			
HSV 3550	Perspectives in Women's Health	3			
HSV 4400	Diversity and Inclusion in Health and Human Services	3			
LWIR 3000	Immigration, Race and Ethnicity in the U.S.	3			
MUS 1510	Jazz in American Culture	4			
MUS 3500	American Music	4			
NUR 3550	Perspectives in Women's Health	3			
PHIL 3070	Philosophy in the American Context	3			
PHIL 3150	Race and Gender Issues	3			
PSCI 2000	National Government	3			
PSCI 3000	Urban Politics in the U.S.	3			
PSCI 3200	The American Judicial Process	4			
PSCI 3630	American Political Theory	3			
REL 2065	Islam in America	4			
REL 3015	Christianity in the United States	4			
SPAN 2650	Hispanic Culture in the U.S.	3			
SPAN 2750	Latino Writing/Latino Culture	3			
Distribution Area IV: Other Cultures and Civilizations					
AAAS 3900	Women Writers in Contemporary Black Literature from the 19 th Century to the Present	3			
ANTH 1100	Lost Worlds and Archeology	3			
ANTH 1200	Peoples of the World	3			
ANTH 3390	Cultures of Latin America	3			
ANTH 3400	Cultures of Asia	3			
ANTH 3410	Global Africa Past and Present	3			
ANTH 3440	The First Americans	3			
ANTH 3580	The African Diaspora: Peoples and Culture	3			
ARAB 2750	Life and Culture of the Arabs	3			
ART 2220	Art of Africa, Oceania and the Americas	3			
ART 2230	Introduction to Asian Art History	3			
CHIN 2750	Chinese Life and Culture	3			
ECON 3870	Studies in Asian Economies	3			
ECON 3880	African Economies	3			
ECON 3890	Latin American Economies	3			
ENGL 3130	Asian Literature	3			
ENGL 3140	African Literature	3			
ENGL 3160	Storytellers	3			
ENGR 3400	Engineering Global Practices in Non-Western Countries	3			
FCS 3150	Global Ecology of the Family	3			
FREN 2750	Francophone Culture	3			
GEOG 3200	Culinary Tourism	3			
GEOG 3810	South America	3			
GEOG 3820	Mexico and the Caribbean	3			
GEOG 3860	Geography of Africa	3			
GEOG 3890	Monsoon Asia	3			
GEOG 3900	China, Japan, and Korea: Lands and Cultures	3			
GIST 2000	Introduction to Global and International Studies	3			
GWS 3200	Woman, Globalization and Social Change	3			
HIST 3020	World History to 1500	3			
HIST 3030	World History since 1500	3			
HIST 3760	Modern East Asia	3			
HIST 3850	Modern Middle East	3			
HIST 3880	Introduction to African Civilization	3			
HNRS 3401	Vues d' Afrique	3			
INTL 3300**	Education Abroad-WMU Programs	1-16			
INTL 3310**	Education Abroad-Non-WMU Programs	1-16			
IPE 3050	Study Abroad and Global Learning in Health and Human Services	1-6			
JPNS 2750	Japanese Language and Culture	3			
MUS 3520	World Music in Theory and Practice	4			
PSCI 3410	The Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa	4			
PSCI 3440	Russian and Central Asian Politics	4			
PSCI 3450	Latin American Politics	4			
PSCI 3460	Women in Developing Countries	4			
REL 2010	Buddhism	4			
REL 2020	Religion in China	4			
REL 2030	Religion in Japan	4			
REL 2040	Religion in India	4			
REL 3025	The Qur'an	4			
REL 3325	Muslim Culture and Societies	4			
SOC 3040	Nonwestern World	4			
SOC 3340	East Asia and the World	3			
SOC 3350	Modern Latin American Societies	3			
SPAN 3390	Contemporary Latin America	3			
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Distribution Area V: Social and Behavioral Sciences					
AAAS 2100	Comparative Approaches to Forms of Black Consciousness	3			
ANTH 2100	Introduction to Archeology	3			
ANTH 2400	Principles of Cultural Anthropology	3			
ANTH 2800	Language in a Global World	4			
BUS 1750	Business Enterprise	3			
COM 2000	Human Communication Theory	3			
COM 3400	Global Media Literacy	3			
ECON 2010	Principles of Microeconomics	3			
ECON 2020	Principles of Macroeconomics	3			
ECON 3180	The Economics of Medical Care	3			

EDMM 3020	Engineering Teams: Theory and Practice	3	PHYS 2060	University Physics I Laboratory	1
ENVS 1000	Climate Challenged Society	3			
GEOG 1020	World Geography Through Maps and Media	3			
GEOG 2050	Human Geography	3			
GEOG 2440	Economic Geography	3			
GEOG 3830	Geography of Europe	3			
HIST 3060	Technology and Culture	3			
HIST 3130	The U.S. and the World	3			
HIST 3325	History of Healthcare in the World	3			
HIST 3330	The World Since 1945	3			
HIST 3600	The Medieval World: Society and Culture	3			
HIST 3630	History of Modern Britain	3			
HIST 3640	Modern Europe: Culture and Society	3			
HIST 3660	Russia Yesterday and Tomorrow	3			
HPHE 1700	Introduction to Recreation/Sport Management	3			
HSV 2250	Growth, Development, and Aging	3			
INTL 3300**	Education Abroad-WMU Programs	1-16			
INTL 3310**	Education Abroad-Non-WMU Programs	1-16			
INTL 4040	Foreign Studies Seminar-Social Sciences	1-6			
LANG 2500	The Nature of Languages	4			
MUS 3811	Your Brain on Music	3			
PADM 2000	Introduction to Nonprofit Leadership	3			
PHIL 3130	Philosophy of Law	3			
PSCI 2400	Comparative Politics	3			
PSCI 2500	International Relations	4			
PSCI 3110	American Politics and the Media	3			
PSCI 3400	European Politics	4			
PSCI 3500	American Foreign Policy	4			
PSY 1000	General Psychology	3			
REL 2080	Religion in Europe	4			
REL 3145	New Religious Movements	4			
REL 3155	Religion and Conflict	4			
REL 3165	Religion and Globalization	4			
REL 3230	Religion and Revolution	4			
SOC 2000	Principles of Sociology	3			
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Distribution Area VI: Natural Science with Lab					
ANTH 2500	Intro to Biological Anthropology	4			
BIOS 1050	Environmental Biology	3			
and					
BIOS 1100	Biology Laboratory	1			
BIOS 1120	Principles of Biology	3			
and					
BIOS 1100	Biology Laboratory	1			
BIOS 1980	Human Form and Function	4			
CHEM 1100	General Chemistry I	3			
and					
CHEM 1110	General Chemistry Laboratory	1			
GEOG 1050	Physical Geography	4			
GEOS 1000	Dynamic Earth	4			
GEOS 1020	Planetary Geology	4			
GEOS 1300	Physical Geology	4			
GEOS 1900	Evolution of Life-A Geological Perspective	4			
GPS 1500	Introduction to Imaging	4			
OT 2000	Human Functional Anatomy	3			
and					
OT 2010	Human Functional Anatomy Laboratory	1			
PHYS 1000	How Things Work	4			
PHYS 1040	Introduction to the Sky and Solar System	3			
and					
PHYS 1030	Sky and Solar System Laboratory	1			
PHYS 1060	Introduction to Stars and Galaxies	3			
and					
PHYS 1050	Stars and Galaxies Laboratory	1			
PHYS 1070	Elementary Physics	4			
and					
PHYS 1080	Elementary Physics Laboratory	1			
PHYS 1130	General Physics I	4			
and					
PHYS 1140	General Physics I Laboratory	1			
PHYS 2050	University Physics I	4			
and					
Distribution Area VII: Natural Science and Technology: Applications and Implications					
ANTH 1500	Race, Biology and Culture	3			
ANTH 2510	Forensic Anthropology	3			
ART 2900	The Skilled Observer in Art, Science and Engineering	3			
AVS 1200	Introduction to Aviation	3			
AVS 2800	Transportation Technology: Policy, Perils and Promise	3			
BIOS 2700	Everyday Biology: Cells	3			
CHEG 2610	Environmental Engineering	3			
CHEG 2611	Environmental Engineering I	3			
CHEM 1900	Chemistry of Climate Change	3			
CHEM 2800	Active Chemistry	3			
COM 2400	Introduction to Media and Telecommunications	3			
CS 1000	Fluency with Information Technology	3			
EDMM 1220	Automobile in Society	3			
EDMM 1500	Introduction to Manufacturing	3			
ENGR 3700	Engineering Global Practices in Western Countries	3			
ENVS 3000	Introduction to Sustainability	3			
GEOG 1000	World Ecological Problems and Man	4			
GEOG 2650	Introduction to Geospatial Technologies	3			
GEOG 3060	Climate Change: Atmospheric Perspectives	3			
GEOG 3500	Conservation and Environmental Management	3			
GEOS 1050	Dinosaurs	3			
GEOS 1200	Climate Change: Geological Perspectives	3			
GEOS 1440	Environmental Earth Science	3			
GEOS 1500	Earth Hazards and Disasters	3			
GEOS 2900	Earth Systems: Issues and Applications	3			
GEOS 3120	Geology of National Parks and Monuments	3			
GEOS 3220	Ocean Systems	3			
GWS 3400	Race, Gender and Science	3			
HIST 3180	American Environmental History	3			
HNRS 3701	Technology in the Arts	3			
NUR 3330	Informatics for Health Care Professionals	3			
PAPR 1600	Introduction to Environmental Technology	3			
PHIL 2550	Science, Technology, and Values	3			
PHIL 3340	Biomedical Ethics	4			
PHIL 3350	Medical Humanities	3			
PHIL 3500	Foundations of the Modern Worldview	4			
PHIL 3550	Philosophy of Science	3			
PHIL 3710	History and Philosophy of Science I	3			
PHIL 3720	History and Philosophy of Science II	3			
PHYS 1020	Energy and the Environment	3			
SPPA 2000	Communication Disorders and Sciences	3			
Distribution Area VIII: Health and Well-being					
ADA 2250	Drug Use: Personal and Social Impact	3			
HOL 1000	Choices in Living	3			
HOL 2701	Resiliency Training for Life	2			
HOL 2801	Health and Well Being	3			
HOL 2811	Resiliency Training for Leaders	2			
HPHE 1110	Healthy Living	2			
PEGN 1700	Health and Wellness – Aerobics	2			
PEGN 1710	Health and Wellness - Water Aerobics	2			
PEGN 1720	Health and Wellness - Circuit Fitness	2			
PEGN 1730	Health and Wellness – Jogging	2			
PEGN 1740	Health and Wellness – Walking	2			
PEGN 1760	Health and Wellness - Racquet Sports	2			
PEGN 1770	Health and Wellness - Climbing Techniques	2			
PEGN 1800	Health and Wellness – Beginning Swimming	2			
PEGN 1810	Health and Wellness - Intermediate Swimming	2			
PEGN 1820	Health and Wellness - Swim Conditioning	2			
REL 3190	Religion and Health	4			