GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IN EFFECT 2015-2016 (39–47 CREDITS)

The General Education Program provides the foundation for liberal learning and the basis for advanced work in a major. It offers humanistic, societal, and scientific frames of reference as it introduces modes of inquiry and methods of interpretation. Students are required to reflect on artistic, philosophical, and theological questions. Primary attention is given to understanding various ways of knowing and an appreciation of culture and diverse perspectives.

- Writing and Communication (3–6)
- History (3)
- Literature (3)
- Mathematics or Statistics (3–4)
- Natural Science with Laboratory (3–4)
- Philosophy (3)
- Visual and Performing Arts (3)
- World Language [(3) intermediate level or (6) elementary level in one language]
- Philosophical Ethics or Theological Ethics (3)
- Religious Studies (3)
- Shaping Lives: Women and Gender (3)
- Social Science (3)
- World Perspectives (3)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (2–4 CREDITS)

The Graduation Requirements help the student transition to the Georgian Court University educational environment and develop additional skills for lifelong learning. Students select a physical education experience chosen from a wide range of options, learn about the university’s mission and its liberal arts, Catholic and Mercy traditions, and prepare for productive lives as responsible world citizens through learning experiences outside the classroom and in service to others.

- Physical Education (1)
- Transitioning to Georgian Court University (1 or 3)
- Experiential Learning (2 experiences; may be included in courses taken to satisfy other requirements)

COURSE LIST FOR GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

NOTE: A student can use a course to satisfy ONLY one requirement, except that designated courses may also satisfy an experiential learning requirement.

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Writing and Communication [(6) or (3) if placed into EN221]
- EN111 Academic Writing and Research I (note: minimum grade to meet requirement is C)
- EN112 Academic Writing and Research II (note: minimum grade to meet requirement is C)
- EN221 Argument: Craft and Style (note: minimum grade to meet requirement is C)

History (3)
- HI131 Survey of United States History I
- HI132 Survey of United States History II
- HI151 World History I
- HI152 World History II

Literature (3)
EN113 American Literature I
EN114 American Literature II
EN175 British Literature I
EN176 British Literature II
EN226 A Nation in Transition: American Literature & Culture

Mathematics or Statistics (3–4)
MA103 Making Sense of Data: Statistical Thinking
MA105 Modern Math Concepts I
MA106 Modern Math Concepts II

The following courses will substitute for the General Education Program Mathematics or Statistics requirement for a student (1) who is placed into the course based on the results of a placement test or other demonstration of competency, and/or (2) whose academic program recommends/requires completion of this course (e.g., students whose major or minor is accounting, allied health technologies, biochemistry, biology, business administration, chemistry, clinical laboratory sciences, mathematics, medical imaging sciences, natural sciences, or physics):
MA107 Quantitative Methods
MA109 College Algebra
MA110 Precalculus
MA115 Calculus I
MA116 Calculus II

Natural Science with Laboratory (3–4)
BI111 Life: Human Biology
BI112 Life: Evolution, Organisms, Ecology
CH111 The World of Chemistry
CH112 Chemistry in Your Life
PH111 How Things Work: Physics in Everyday Life I
PH112 How Things Work: Physics in Everyday Life II
PH/SC334 Astronomy: Stars, Planets, Galaxies & the Universe
SC111 Integrated Science I
SC112 Integrated Science II

The following courses will substitute for the General Education Program Natural Science with Laboratory requirement for a student (1) who is placed into the course based on the results of a placement test or other demonstration of competency, and/or (2) whose academic program requires completion of this course (e.g., students whose major or minor is allied health technologies, biochemistry, biology, chemistry, clinical laboratory sciences, health information management, medical imaging sciences, natural sciences, nursing or physics):
BI121 Biological Unity: Cellular Organization, Energetics & Function
BI204 Biological Continuity & Change: Genetics & Evolution
BI213 Human Anatomy and Physiology I
BI214 Human Anatomy and Physiology II
CH113 General Chemistry I
CH114 General Chemistry II
PH121 General Physics I
PH122 General Physics II

Philosophy (3)
PL245 Philosophical Inquiry

Visual and Performing Arts (3)
AR118 Western Art History
AR119 Non-Western Art History
DA201 History of Dance
MU109 Music Appreciation
MU214 Music of the Americas

World Language [(3) intermediate level or (6) elementary level in one language]¹
FR101 Elementary French I
FR102 Elementary French II
FR201 Intermediate French I
ITA101 Elementary Italian I
ITA102 Elementary Italian II
IT201 Intermediate Italian I
ITA211 Italian Conversation and Composition I
SP101 Elementary Spanish I
SP102 Elementary Spanish II
SP105 Beginning Everyday Spanish I
SP106 Beginning Everyday Spanish II
SP205 Intermediate Everyday Spanish I

1 For a student who is able to demonstrate proficiency at a higher level than the first intermediate course in a particular language, the higher level course will substitute for the World Language requirement.

Nonnative English Speakers may satisfy the World Language requirement by completion of any one of the following (3 cr):
ESL201 Intermediate English for International Students I
ESL202 Intermediate English for International Students II
ESL205 Writing English as a Second Language I
ESL206 Writing English as a Second Language II

Philosophical Ethics or Theological Ethics (3)
PL300 Philosophical Ethics
RS334 Theological Ethics

Religious Studies (3)
RS208 Discovering the Bible
RS220 The Christian Tradition

Shaping Lives: Women and Gender (3)
WS311 Shaping Lives: Women and Gender

Social Science (3)
AN111 Physical Anthropology and Archaeology
AN112 Cultural Anthropology
EC180 Contemporary Economics
EC181 Principles of Macroeconomics
EC182 Principles of Microeconomics
GO281 Introduction to Geography
GO285 Human Geography
PO211 American National Government
PS111 Introduction to Psychology
SO101 Principles of Sociology

World Perspectives (3)
AN112 Cultural Anthropology
AR/WS222 Women in Film
CN111 Chinese Culture II
EC180 Contemporary Economics
EC181 Principles of Macroeconomics
EN190 Global Literature
MU215 World Music
PS300 Multicultural Psychology
RS/WS201 Women and Religion
RS240 A Survey of Eastern Religious Thought
SO/AN304 Globalization and Sustainability

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (2–4 CREDITS)

Physical Education (1)
PE Any course listed with a PE number or any DA techniques course.

Any student may take a maximum of four credits of physical education applicable to the baccalaureate degree. Each repeat of a physical education course (up to this maximum number of credits) with a grade of “P” earns credit applicable to the baccalaureate degree.

Transitioning to Georgian Court University (1 or 3)
FY101 First-Year Seminar (3 cr) (Required of First-Time Full-Time and Part-Time Students)
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Two experiences must be successfully completed: one must be a designated course that has a service learning component (other than the First-Year Seminar); the second must be an internship/practicum/field placement, a designated education abroad (study abroad (for credit) or travel abroad (not for credit)) experience, or another course with a service learning component. Sections of courses offering a service learning option will be identified on each semester’s course schedule and/or on the Office of the Registrar’s Web page. Students completing a noncredit internship or AN471, BI401, BI402, BI404, BI405, BU451, CH345, CJ333, CM405, DA471, ED4213, ED4301, EN405, ES390, ES391, ES392, GP490, GP491, HI471, HI472, HI473, MA415, NU496, PH448, PO471, PO472, PO473, PS450, PS453, SO475, SW390, SW496, SW497, or a Rutgers University clinical/practicum course in one of GCU’s joint degree programs with Rutgers University will have satisfied one of the two experiential learning requirements (the internship/field placement/practicum type of option). Students considering a credit-bearing or noncredit-bearing internship are encouraged to take INT450/BU450, Internship and Career Preparation, a 1-credit course, prior to seeking an internship. Students completing AR437, RS403, SP215 and follow-up paperwork for the office of Global Education Programs will have satisfied one of the two experiential learning requirements (the study abroad/travel abroad option).

Students who need more information about approved education abroad experiences may contact the director of global education programs.