

BA/BS Degree Requirements

College of Letters & Science

TOOLS for Learning and Communication

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Quantitative Reasoning A (q)

Quantitative Reasoning B (r)

Ethnic Studies (e)

Communication A (a)

Communication B (b)

Note: All UW-Madison students must satisfy all five General Education requirements.

MATHEMATICS

Bachelor of Arts

Met with GER Quantitative Reasoning A & B (above)
No other courses necessary, unless required for your major

Bachelor of Science

Two 3+ credit courses at I/A level (MATH, COMP SCI, STAT)
Limit one each: COMP SCI, STAT

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Bachelor of Arts

Option 1: 4th level of a language

Option 2: 3rd level of a language **and** 2nd level of another

Bachelor of Science

3rd level of a language

BREADTH of Exploration in the Liberal Arts & Sciences

HUMANITIES – 12 credits (L, H, X, Z) and *must include 6 credits Literature (L)*

Humanities (L, H, X, Z)

Literature (L)

SOCIAL SCIENCE – 12 credits (S, W, Y, Z)

NATURAL SCIENCE – 12 credits (B, P, N, W, X, Y)

Bachelor of Arts

One 3+ credit Biological Science course (B)

One 3+ credit Physical Science course (P)

Remaining credits in any science area (B, P, N, W, X, Y)

Bachelor of Science

6 credits Biological Science (B)

6 credits Physical Science (P)

DEPTH of Inquiry in the Liberal Arts & Sciences

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – First semester courses that count towards major

BREADTH of Exploration in the Liberal Arts & Sciences, continued

108 Liberal Arts & Sciences credits (C)

DEPTH of Inquiry in the Liberal Arts & Sciences, continued**Mastery of Intermediate/Advanced Work** – 60 credits (I, A, D)**Major** – Must declare at least one major before or upon completing 86 credits and must complete all declared majors**QUANTITY & QUALITY of Work****120 total credits****UW-Madison Experience**30 credits in residence overall30 credits in residence after the 90th credit**Minimum GPAs**

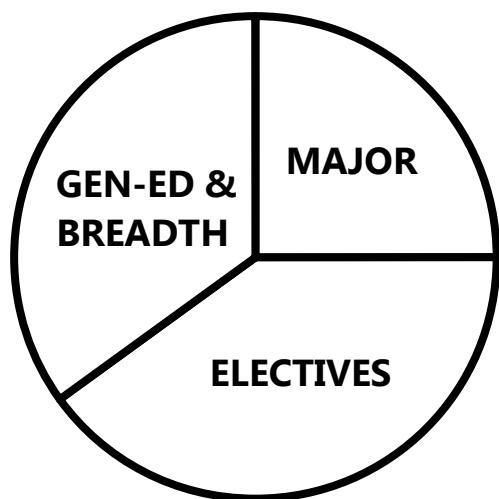
2.0 in all courses at UW-Madison

2.0 in all upper-level work at UW-Madison

15 upper-level (I, A, D) credits in residence in each major15 credits on campus in each major/department

2.0 in all major & major department courses

2.0 in all upper-level major & major courses

BA/BS Degree Breakdown**Credit Information****What is a credit?**

- 1 credit = 1 hour of in-class instruction each week
- 1 credit = 3 hours of work outside of class each week
- For example, a student taking 15 credits will spend 15 hours in the classroom and approximately 45 hours studying and working on homework, projects, and papers each week

How many credits should I take each semester?

- A full-time load is 12 to 18 credits each semester and has one tuition cost
- We recommend taking 12 to 16 credits in your first semester
- Students coming in with no AP/IB/transfer credit should plan on taking an average of 15 credits each semester in order to graduate in 4 years (120 credits in 8 semesters)

COURSE ATTRIBUTE GUIDE

General Education	Breadth		Level	College
a – Communication A	B – Biological Science	W – Either Social Science OR Natural Science	E – Elementary	C – LAS credit
b – Communication B	H – Humanities	X – Either Humanities OR Natural Science	I – Intermediate	
q – Quantitative Reasoning A	I – Interdivisional (does not satisfy any breadth)	Y – Either Biological Science OR Social Science	A – Advanced	
r – Quantitative Reasoning B	L – Literature	Z – Either Humanities OR Social Science	D – Either Intermediate OR Advanced	
e – Ethnic Studies	N – Natural Science			
	P – Physical Science			
	S – Social Science			

Effective for students matriculating to any postsecondary institution as of May 21, 2007 and later, or who opted into the 2007 degree requirements.