

APPENDIX 22

GENERAL EDUCATION

Mission Statement

The general education program at Northwestern Oklahoma State University provides a foundation for all degree programs and offers opportunities for students to develop competencies in critical thinking, leadership, and literacy.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The General Education requirements at Northwestern are required of all students for graduation. Some degree programs require specific general education courses. **Students should consult the department sections in this catalog for specific courses in General Education required for majors.**

I. RANGER CONNECTION.....1 hour

(All beginning freshman are required to enroll in freshman orientation; waived for students with 24 or more transfer hours.)

II. COMMUNICATION AND SYMBOLS..... 12 hours

Required (12 hrs)

- i. ENGL 1113
- ii. ENGL 1213
- iii. SCOM 1113
- iv. MATH 1403 or 1513

III. SOCIAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS..... 12 hours

Required (core) (12 hours)

- i. FIN 1113
- ii. HIST 1483 or 1493
- iii. LEAD 2003 or 2023 or GBUS 2033
- iv. POLS 1113

IV. NATURAL SCIENCE..... 11-12 hours

- a. BIOL 1114 or BIOL 1124 or BIOL 1224
- b. 4-5 hours from any physical science, any physics or any chemistry
- c. H ED 2303

V. HUMAN HERITAGE

AND CULTURE7 hours

- a. Required 4 hrs foreign language or SCOM 1014
- b. Electives 3 hours
 - i. Any 2000 Lit course
 - ii. Any Humanities course (except Philosophy or Ethics)
 - iii. HIST 1213, 1223, 1233

VI. VALUES AND BELIEFS3 hours

3 hours from HUM (Philosophy or Ethics), REL or SOC

VII. ELECTIVES 9

(9 hours from any 3 of the 5 areas listed below)

Total hours required.....54

Electives may be chosen from the following categories, depending on program requirements.

Communication and Symbols

CMSC 1103	Microcomputer Applications
ENGL 2543	English Literature to 1800
ENGL 2653	English Literature Since 1800
ENGL 2773	American Literature to Whitman
ENGL 2883	American Literature Since Whitman
ENGL 4173	English Usage
GBUS 1013	Introduction to Business
HUM 2413	Introduction to Literature
MATH 1313	Statistics
MATH 2233	Structural Concepts in Arithmetic
MATH 3203	Structural Concepts in Mathematics
MATH 3223	Geometry for Elementary Teachers
MCOM 2023	Media History
MCOM 2123	Mass Communication
MCOM 3213	Oral Communication
SCOM 3213	Oral Communication
SCOM 3613	Small Group Communication

Social, Political and Economic Systems

ECON 2103	Survey of Economics
ECON 2113	Principles of Macroeconomics
ECON 2123	Principles of Microeconomics
GBUS 2933	Legal Environment of Business
GEOG 1113	Fundamentals of Geography
HIST 1213	Early World Civilization
HIST 1223	Modern World Civilization
HIST 1233	Non-Western Civilizations
HIST 1483	U.S. History to 1877
HIST 1493	U.S. History Since 1877
MCOM 2123	Mass Communication
PSYC 1113	General Psychology
PSYC 1213	Marriage and Family
PSYC 2113	Psychology of Adjustment
SOC 1113	Introductory Sociology

Natural Science

BIOL 1124	General Botany
BIOL 1224	General Zoology
CHEM 1105	Chemistry for Non-Majors
CHEM 1115	General Chemistry I
H ED 1820	Nutrition (for pre-nursing majors only)
PHSC 1044	Physical Science by Inquiry
PHSC 1114	General Physical Science
PHYS 1114	General Physics I

Human Heritage and Culture

HIST 1213	Early World Civilization
HIST 1223	Modern World Civilization
HIST 1233	Non-Western Civilizations
HIST 1483	U.S. History to 1877
HIST 1493	U.S. History Since 1877
HUM 2113	General Humanities I
HUM 2223	General Humanities II

HUM 2403	Theatre Appreciation OR
TCOM 2413	Theatre Appreciation
HUM 2413	Introduction to Literature
HUM 2423	Introduction to Film
HUM 2432	Art in Life
HUM 2533	Music in Life

+Denotes liberal arts science course
SL-service learning course

HUM 2633 Philosophy in Life
 MCOM 2023 Media History
 REL 2412 Comparative Religions (World)
 SCOM 1014 American Sign Language
 SPAN 1114 Elementary Spanish I
 SPAN 1224 Elementary Spanish II
 SPAN 2183 Conversation/Reading I

Values and Beliefs

GBUS 2033 Leadership in Business
 HUM 2113 General Humanities I
 HUM 2223 General Humanities II
 HUM 2423 Introduction to Film
 HUM 2533 Music in Life
 HUM 2633 Philosophy in Life
 HUM 2643 Ethics in Life
 HIST 1213 Early World Civilization
 HIST 1223 Modern World Civilization
 HIST 1233 Non-Western Civilizations
 HIST 1483 U.S. History to 1877
 HIST 1493 U.S. History Since 1877
 LEAD 2003 Introduction to Leadership
 LEAD 2023 Psychology of Leadership
 REL 2412 Comparative Religions (World)
 SOC 1113 Introductory Sociology
 SOC 2123 Sociological Problems and Issues

In addition, every student must meet the computer proficiency and English proficiency requirements. Students should consult the department sections in this catalog for specific courses in General Education required for majors.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ARTS AND SCIENCES DEGREES (Non-Teaching)

Note: Transfer students with an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree from an accredited Oklahoma institution are exempt from general education requirements (except one course of American History and one course of American Government are required).

Some general education course requirements may be met via CLEP, DSST, APP, and other advanced standing tests.

Any substitution of alternative general education courses must be approved by the appropriate school dean and the Executive Vice President.

Any course substitution in a major or minor course area must be approved by the major or minor area department/division chair, the school dean and the Executive Vice President.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREE IN EDUCATION (With Certificate)

GENERAL EDUCATION. 54 semester hours to be completed during the freshman and sophomore years insofar as possible.

MAJORS. In the Education curriculum, one major is required in addition to the professional teacher education requirements.

In any major at least one-half of the work must be courses of upper division (3000 - 4000) level.

ELECTIVE CREDIT. In addition to the courses taken in general education and major curricula, sufficient elective credit should be earned to complete the minimum total of 124 hours required for graduation.

Note: A student transferring to Northwestern with an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree from an Oklahoma accredited institution will be considered as having completed the general education requirements of the baccalaureate degree. Exceptions to this policy are degree programs that require specific general education courses. Students enrolling in these programs must complete all required program specific general education courses. In addition, six hours of credit in American history and government will be required of each bachelor's degree candidate.