

General Education Program

The general education program offers a common academic experience for all Kennesaw State University students. In a series of interrelated courses in the liberal arts and sciences, it provides the opportunity for them to acquire the intellectual skills and knowledge characteristic of educated persons in a diverse global community. Thus, it lays the foundation for success in their academic, professional, and personal lives. Whereas the major program contributes depth to a college education in a designated specialization, the general education program provides breadth by providing an introduction, connection, and integration to a variety of disciplines needed by educated persons.

The general education program at KSU has five overall goals. While each individual course does not address every goal, over the course of the program, students should achieve the following:

- Develop productive habits of mind
- Develop effective communication skills
- Expand knowledge and understanding
- Expand creative capabilities
- Exhibit understanding of the impact of ethical and aesthetic values.

Listed on the following pages are the specific course requirements for the general education program.

KSU GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Choose one course from each of the following blocks:

<p>ANTH 2105 <i>or</i> GEOG 2105 <i>or</i> PSYC 2105 <i>or</i> SOCI 2105 —(Prerequisites: ENGL 0099 & READ 0099, if required)</p>	<p>Psychology and sociology majors should not take the course in their major discipline. Nursing majors must take sociology.</p>
<p>ART 1107 <i>or</i> MUSI 1107 <i>or</i> THTR 1107 —(Prerequisites: ENGL 0099 and READ 0099)</p>	<p>Art, music, and theater majors should not take the course in their major discipline.</p>
<p>COM 1109 <i>or</i> PHIL 2200 <i>or</i> —(Prerequisites: ENGL 0099 & READ 0099, if required) FL 1002 —(Prerequisite: one year of foreign language in high school or FL 1001)</p>	<p>Students seeking a B.A. degree must complete FL 2001. FL 1002 may be preferred option for these students.</p>
<p>ECON 1100 <i>or</i> —(Prerequisites: ENGL 0099, MATH 0098 or MATH 0099, READ 0099, if required) ECON 2100 —(Prerequisite: MATH 1101 or higher)</p>	<p>Business, social science education, and international affairs majors must take ECON 2100. All other students should take ECON 1100</p>
<p>ENGL 1101 —(Prerequisites: ENGL 0099 & READ 0099, if required)</p>	
<p>ENGL 1102 —(Prerequisite: ENGL 1101 with “C” or better)</p>	
<p>ENGL 2110 —(Prerequisite: ENGL 1102 with “C” or better)</p>	
<p>HIST 1110 —(Prerequisite: ENGL 1101 with “C” or better)</p>	
<p>HIST 2112 —(Prerequisite: ENGL 1101 with “C” or better)</p>	
<p>HPS 1000 —(Prerequisite: None)</p>	

<p>MATH 1101 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH0098 or MATH0099, if required)</i> MATH 1113 <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH0098 or MATH0099, if required)</i></p>	<p>Mathematics, biology, chemistry, computer science, information systems, education, and secondary science education majors should take MATH 1113 and should see an advisor. Most other students take MATH 1101. Students who are well prepared in mathematics may begin in MATH 1190 with the approval of the Mathematics Department Chair.</p>
<p>MATH 1106 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH 1101 or MATH 1113)</i> MATH 1107 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH 1101 or MATH 1113)</i> MATH 1190 <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH 1113)</i></p>	<p>Students majoring in the fields listed above must take MATH 1190. Nursing majors must take MATH 1107. Business and Information Systems majors must take MATH 1106 or MATH 1190. Most other students take MATH 1107.</p>
<p>POLS 1101 <i>—(Prerequisite: ENGL0099 & READ0099, if required)</i></p>	
<p>SCI 1101 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisites: ENGL 0099, READ 0099, & MATH 0098 or MATH 0099, if required)</i> CHEM 1211 & CHEM 1211L <i>or</i> <i>—(Corequisite: MATH 1113)</i> PHYS 1111 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH 1113)</i> PHYS 2211 & PHYS 2211L <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: MATH 1190)</i> CHEM 1151 & CHEM 1151L <i>—(Prerequisites: READ 0099 & MATH 0098 or MATH 0099, if required)</i></p>	<p>Science requirements are dependent on majors. Students majoring in biology, chemistry, computer science, secondary math education, and secondary science education must take CHEM 1211 & 1212 or PHYS 1111 & 1112 or PHYS 2211 & 2212 and their labs, if separate. They should see an advisor to determine which sequence. Students majoring in computer science must take one of the PHYS sequences. Students majoring in nursing must take CHEM 1151 & CHEM 1152. All other students (non-math/science majors) should take SCI 1101 & SCI 1102. However, any science courses meeting the criteria are acceptable except Anatomy & Physiology, and Microbiology.</p>
<p>SCI 1102 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: SCI 1101 or departmental approval)</i> CHEM 1212 & CHEM 1212L <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: CHEM 1211)</i> PHYS 1112 <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: PHYS 1111)</i> PHYS 2212 & PHYS 2212L <i>or</i> <i>—(Prerequisite: PHYS 2211)</i> CHEM 1152 & CHEM 1152L <i>—(Prerequisite: CHEM 1151)</i></p>	

Students with advanced standing credits or transfer credits for courses similar to those required in the general education program may be permitted to satisfy KSU's requirements through approved course substitutions. Students seeking such substitutions should contact the office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies and University Studies.

Students with transfer credits from another University System of Georgia (USG) institution should be aware of the current Board of Regents' policy. All students transferring from one USG school to another are guaranteed the transferability of their general education courses under two conditions. If students have satisfied all general education requirements at one USG institution, they have satisfied all requirements at another—even if the requirements are different. If students have completed any of the five areas specified by the Board of Regents (A through E) at one USG institution, they have completed that area at another, even if the requirements are different. Please note, however, that additional courses may be required if they are prerequisites to major courses. These courses require a grade of "C".

Students transferring from KSU to another USG institution may take advantage of this policy by completing the general education program. Students transferring to KSU from another USG institution must complete the areas as specified by their previous college/university. To certify the completion of one or more areas, students should request a Core (General Education) Evaluation in the Registrar's Office.

General Education Program at KSU:

Area A: Essential Skills

- ENGL 1101
- ENGL 1102
- MATH 1101 or MATH 1113

Area B: Institutional Options

- ANTH 2105 or GEOG 2105 or PSYC 2105 or SOCI 2105
- COM 1109 or FL 1002 or PHIL 2200

Area C: Humanities/Fine Arts

- ENGL 2110
- ART 1107 or MUSI 1107 or THTR 1107

Area D: Science, Mathematics, and Technology

- SCI 1101 and SCI 1102 (formerly SCI 2105 and SCI 2106)
or
CHEM 1211 / 1211L and CHEM 1212 / 1212L
or
CHEM 1151 / 1151L and CHEM 1152 / 1152L
or
PHYS 1111 and PHYS 1112
or
PHYS 2211 / 2211L and PHYS 2212 / 2212L
- MATH 1106 or MATH 1107 or MATH 1190

Area E: Social Sciences

- POLS 1101
- ECON 1100 or ECON 2100
- HIST 1110
- HIST 2112