

## 2026-27 CATALOG

### Your Path to Success begins in General Education

General Education matters for who you are and who you will become and prepares you for a life of consequence, inquiry, and accomplishment. General Education is the foundation of your academic experience and transcends disciplinary boundaries.

### What is General Education (Gen Ed)?

Gen Ed is shared by all degree-seeking students. Gen Ed credits (27) account for 45% of the Associate's and 23% of the Bachelor's degrees. Gen Ed provides broad exposure to diverse disciplines and is the foundation for developing intellectual tools, responsibility to the self and others, and preparing students for academic, civic, and professional success.

### What is the mission of General Education?

To provide students with foundational knowledge and intellectual tools that enhance and transcend their academic program of study. The big questions posed by Gen Ed courses address significant issues about the world. Gen Ed courses help students apply their learning and develop personal and social responsibility, which is demonstrated through signature assignments.

### Why is General Education required of all students?

Gen Ed is not a random series of courses to "get out of the way". General education is a program of courses to lead the way to students' future success in higher education, the workplace, and the community. Because Gen Ed courses are framed around a Big Question, which is tapped by a Signature Assignment, students repeatedly exercise Gen Ed Learning Outcomes (GELOs) and "cross-train" their mind.

### What are the General Education Program Requirements?

Students are required to pass CORE courses (12 credits) in Composition (EN1 & EN2), Quantitative Literacy (QL), American Institutions (AI), and Cultural Competence (CC) and BREADTH courses (15 credits) in Creative Arts (CA), Humanities (HU), Social Sciences (SS), Life Sciences (LS), and Physical Sciences (PS) with a grade of "D-" or better.

### What is the Gen Ed Certificate of Completion?

The Certificate of Completion is awarded when students complete all core and breadth requirements with a minimum 2.0 GPA. Once awarded, it will appear on students' transcripts and is considered part of their official record. The Certificate allows students to "lock in" their Gen Ed credits and is transferable between institutions in the Utah System of Higher Education.

### What is the transfer appeal process for Gen Ed requirements?

Students may have transfer courses that lack an equivalent at Weber State or do not transfer as courses with Gen Ed attributes. Transfer courses may be articulated as departmental (e.g., MATH 1XXX) or general (e.g., ELEC 1XXX) electives that may not have an associated Gen Ed attribute. Although students may appeal transfer decisions to the department chair/articulator, they also may appeal the Gen Ed attribute decisions to the Director of General Education (see <https://weber.edu/GenEd/Gen-Ed-Contact-List.html> for the Gen Ed contacts and Transfer Petition Form).

## CORE GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (12 credits)

### COMPOSITION (EN1) (3-6 CREDITS)

Select one of the following and earn a passing grade

See the WSU Catalog or [weber.edu/placement](http://weber.edu/placement) for prerequisite information

ENGL 1005	College Reading and Introductory Writing (6)
ENGL 1006 & 1007	College Reading and Introductory Writing, Parts A & B (3 & 3)
ENGL 1010	Introductory College Writing (3)

### COMPOSITION (EN2) (3-4 CREDITS)

Select one of the following and earn a passing grade

ENGL 2010	Intermediate College Writing (3)
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### QUANTITATIVE LITERACY (QL) (3-6 CREDITS)

Select one of the following and earn a passing grade

MATH 1030	Contemporary Mathematics (3)	MATH 1060	Trigonometry (3)
MATH 1035	Contemporary Mathematics w/Prereq Topics (6)	MATH 1080	Pre-Calculus (5)
MATH 1040	Introduction to Statistics (3)	MATH 1090	Business College Algebra (3)
MATH 1050	College Algebra (4)	MATH 2015	Algebra for Elementary Teachers (3)

OR earn a passing grade in any WSU Math course for which either MATH 1050 or 1080 is a prerequisite

OR score of 65 or higher on ALEKS or score of 70 or higher on College Level Math portion of Accuplacer exam

OR score of 3 or higher on AP Calculus or AP Statistics exam; score of 50 or higher on CLEP Calculus, College Algebra, or Pre-Calculus exam

OR score of 26 or higher on MATH ACT

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Other than General Studies, majors may require a specific QL course. Consult your program advisor and materials for your best QL option.

### AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS (AI) (3-6 CREDITS)

Select one of the following and earn a passing grade

HIST 1600	African American Experience (3) ^	ECON 1740	Economic History of the U.S. (3) ^
HIST 1610	The Latinx Experience (3) ^	POLS 1100	American National Government (3)
HIST 1700	American History (3)		
HIST 2700 & 2710	History of the U.S. to 1877 (3) and History of the U.S. since 1877 (3)		

### CULTURAL COMPETENCE (CC) (3 CREDITS)

Select 3 credits from the list of approved courses and earn a passing grade.

General education courses marked with ^ fulfill the CC and the specific Core or Breadth requirement.

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## BREADTH GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (15 credits)

*DO NOT DUPLICATE DEPARTMENTS* : Courses selected to fulfill breadth requirements must each be from a different program, with the exception of Honors.

<b>HUMANITIES (HU)</b>		
Select 3 credits from the following and earn a passing grade		
<b>Anthropology</b>		
ANTH	1040	Language and Culture (3) ^
<b>Communication</b>		
COMM	1020	Principles of Public Speaking (3)
COMM	2010	Mass Media and Society (3)
COMM	2110	Interpersonal...Communication (3)
COMM	2250	Essentials of Digital Media (3)
<b>English</b>		
ENGL	2200	Introduction to Literature (3) ^
ENGL	2220	Introduction to Fiction (3) ^
ENGL	2230	Introduction to Drama (3) ^
ENGL	2240	Introduction to Poetry (3) ^
ENGL	2501	Literature Today (3) ^
ENGL	2710	Perspectives on Women's Literature (3) ^
ENGL	2750	Topics and Ideas in the Humanities (3)
ENGL	3500	Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
ENGL	3510	World Literature (3) ^
ENGL	3520	Literature of the Natural World (3)
ENGL	3750	Topics and Ideas in Literature (3)
<b>Foreign Language</b>		
FL	2020	Fourth Semester Foreign Language (3)
FL	2600	Intro. To...Studies in Translation (3)
<b>History</b>		
HIST	1100	European History to 1500 (3)
HIST	1110	European History from 1500 (3)
HIST	1300	Latin American History to the 1820s (3)
HIST	1310	Latin American History since the 1820s (3)
<b>Honors</b>		
HNRS	1100	Introduction to Honors... (3)
HNRS	1540	Perspectives in the Humanities (3)
HNRS	2010	Exploring Key Concepts...Humanities (3)
HNRS	2110	Intellectual Traditions...Medieval Eras (3)
HNRS	2120	Intellectual Traditions...Modern Era (3)
HNRS	2130	Intellectual Traditions...the East (3)
<b>Music</b>		
MUSC	1043	Music, the Arts & Civilizations (3)
<b>Philosophy</b>		
PHIL	1000	Introduction to Philosophy (3) ^
PHIL	2050	Practical Ethics (3)
PHIL	1250	Critical Thinking (3)
<b>Religious Studies</b>		
SBS	1550	Introduction to World Religions (3) ^
<b>Theatre</b>		
THEA	2821	Period Styles in Design (3)

<b>CREATIVE ARTS (CA)</b>		
Select 3 credits from the following and earn a passing grade		
<b>Art *</b>		
ART	1010	Introduction to the Visual Arts (3)
ART	1030	Studio Art for the Non-Art Major (3)
ART	1110	Drawing I (3)
ART	2450	Foundations of Photography: Color/Digital (3)
ARTH	1090	Art/Arch: Paleolithic - 1400 CE (4)
ARTH	1100	Art/Arch: 1400 CE - Present (4)
* only one course from ART or ARTH may be used to fulfill CA		
<b>Computer Science</b>		
CS	1010	Introduction to Interactive Entertainment (3)
<b>Construction and Building Sciences</b>		
ARCH	1040	Introduction to Architecture (3)
ID	1010	Introduction to Interior Design (3)
<b>Dance</b>		
DANC	1010	Introduction to Dance (3) ^
<b>English</b>		
ENGL	2250	Introduction to Creative Writing (3) ^
ENGL	2260	Introduction to Writing Short Fiction (3) ^
ENGL	2270	Introduction to Writing Poetry (3) ^
ENGL	2280	Introduction to Writing Creative Nonfiction (3)
<b>Film Studies</b>		
FILM	2200	Fundamentals of Film (3)
<b>Honors</b>		
HNRS	1530	Perspectives in the Creative Arts (3)
HNRS	2020	Exploring...in the Disiplines: Creatives Arts (3)
<b>Music</b>		
MUSC	1010	Introduction to Music (3)
MUSC	1025	History of Country Music (3)
MUSC	1030	Introduction to Jazz (3)
MUSC	1033	Introduction to American Music (3)
MUSC	1035	History of Rock and Roll (3)
MUSC	1040	Music of World Cultures (3)
MUSC	1063	Music in Religion (3)
<b>Theatre</b>		
THEA	1013	Introduction to Theatre (3)
THEA	1023	Introduction to Film (3)
THEA	1033	Introduction to Acting (3)
THEA	1043	Introduction to American Musical Theatre (3)

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## BREADTH GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (15 credits)

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PHYSICAL SCIENCES (PS)	LIFE SCIENCES (LS)
Select 3 credits from the following and earn a passing grade	Select 3 credits from the following and earn a passing grade
<b>Chemistry and Biochemistry</b>	<b>Anthropology</b>
CHEM 1010 Introductory Chemistry (3)	ANTH 1020 Biological Anthropology (3)
CHEM 1110 Elementary Chemistry (4) & 1115 Lab (1)	<b>Botany and Plant Ecology</b>
CHEM 1130 Intro. to Gen., Organic, & Biochemistry (4) & 1135 Lab (1)	BTNY 1010 Plants: Apocalypse Prevention (3)
CHEM 1210 Principles of Chemistry I (4) & 1215 Lab (1)	BTNY 1203 Plant Biology (3)
CHEM 1230 Engineering Chemistry (4) & 1235 Lab (1)	BTNY 1303 Plants and People (3)
CHEM 1360 Principles of Physical Science (3) ***	BTNY 1370 Principles of Life Science (3) *
<b>Geography, Environment, and Sustainability *</b>	BTNY 1403 Principles of Environmental Science (4)
GEOG 1000 Planet Earth: Air, Water, Land, Life (3)	<b>Health Sciences</b>
GEOG 1500 Climate Change: Science, Society & Solutions (3)	HTHS 2110 Integrated Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4)
<b>Earth and Environmental Sciences *</b>	<b>Honors</b>
GEO 1030 Earthquakes and Volcanoes (3)	HNRS 1510 Perspectives in the Life Sciences (3)
GEO 1060 Environmental Geosciences (3)	HNRS 2040 Exploring Key Concepts: Life Sciences (3)
GEO 1110 Dynamic Earth: Physical Geology (3)	<b>Microbiology</b>
GEO 1130 Introduction to Meteorology (3)	MICR 1113 Introductory Microbiology (3)
GEO 1350 Principles of Earth Science (3)	MICR 1153 Public Health: Sex, Travel, Food, & Drugs (3)
<b>Honors</b>	MICR 1353 Microbes Rule the World: Power of Disease (3)
HNRS 1500 Perspectives in the Physical Sciences (3)	MICR 1370 Principles of Life Science (3) *
HNRS 2030 Exploring Key Concepts: Physical Sciences (3)	MICR 2054 Principles of Microbiology (4)
<b>Physics &amp; Astronomy</b>	<b>Nutrition</b>
PHYS 1010 Elementary Physics (3)	NUTR 1020 Science and Application of Human Nutrition (3)
PHYS/ASTR 1040 Elementary Astronomy (3) **	<b>Zoology</b>
PHYS 1360 Principles of Physical Science (3) ***	ZOOL 1010 Animal Biology (3)
PHYS 2010 College Physics I (5)	ZOOL 1020 Human Biology (3)
PHYS/ASTR 2040 Principles of Observational Astronomy (3) **	ZOOL 1030 The Nature of Sex (3)
PHYS 2090 Energy and the Environment (3)	ZOOL 1610 Principles of Zoology (4)
PHYS 2210 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I (5)	ZOOL 1370 Principles of Life Science (3) *
* Only one course from GEOG or GEO may be used to fulfill PS	ZOOL 2420 Human Physiology (4)
** Only one course from PHYS or ASTR may be used to fulfill PS	* Only one Principles of LS (BTNY/MICR/ZOOL 1370) may be used to fulfill LS
*** Only one Principles of PS (CHEM/PHYS 1360) may be used to fulfill PS	
SOCIAL SCIENCES (SS)	
Select 3 credits from the following and earn a passing grade	
<b>Anthropology</b>	<b>Management Information Systems</b>
ANTH 1000 Introduction to Anthropology (3) ^	MIS 1100 The Digital Society (3)
ANTH 2010 People and Cultures of the World (3) ^	<b>Physical Education Professional</b>
ANTH 2030 Principles of Archaeology (3) ^	PEP 2700 Sociohistorical Aspects of Sport (3)
<b>Child and Family Studies</b>	<b>Political Science</b>
CHF 1500 Human Development (3) ^	POLS 1010 Politics, Power, and the State (3) ^
CHF 2400 Family Relations (3) ^	POLS 1520 Leadership & Political Life (3)
<b>Criminal Justice</b>	POLS 2100 International Politics... (3)
CJ 1010 Introduction to Criminal Justice	POLS 2200 Global Governments, Politics, and Societies (3)
<b>Economics</b>	POLS 2300 Introduction to Political Theory (3)
ECON 1010 Economics as a Social Science (3) ^	POLS 2400 Introduction to Law and Courts (3)
ECON 1100 Environmental Issues and Economic Policy (3) ^	POLS 2500 Human Rights in the World (3) * ^
ECON 2010 Principles of Microeconomics (3) ^	<b>Psychological Science</b>
ECON 2020 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)	PSY 1010 Introductory Psychology (3)
<b>Engineering Technology &amp; Culture</b>	PSY 2000 The Psychology of Human Relationships (3) ^
ETC 2001 Engineering Culture (3) ^	<b>Social Work</b>
<b>Geography, Environment, and Sustainability</b>	SW 1010 Introduction to Generalist Social Work (3)
GEOG 1300 Exploring Global Geography... (3) ^	SW 2100 Human Behavior and the Social Environment (3)
GEOG 1520 US & Canada: Geography, Diversity, and Change (3) ^	SW 2200 Issues in Diversity (3) ^
<b>Gerontology</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
GERT 1010 Introduction to Gerontology (3)	SOC 1010 Introduction to Sociology (3) ^
<b>Health Education</b>	SOC 1020 Contemporary Social Issues (3) ^
HLTH 1030 Healthy Lifestyles (3)	SOC 2400 Introduction to Ethnic Studies (3) ^
<b>History</b>	<b>Wildcat Scholars</b>
HIST 1500 World History to 1500 C.E. (3) ^	UNIV 1110 Intro. to Social Issues in Higher Education (3)
HIST 1510 World History from 1500 C.E. to the Present (3) ^	<b>Women &amp; Gender Studies</b>
<b>Honors</b>	WGS 1500 Intro. to Women, Gender, & Queer Studies (3) ^
HNRS 1520 Perspectives in the Social Sciences (3)	WGS 2500 Human Rights in the World (3) * ^
HNRS 2050 Exploring Key Concepts: Social Sciences (3)	* Only POLS 2500 or WGS 2500 may be used to fulfill SS
HNRS 2210 Intellectual Traditions...Medieval Eras (3)	
HNRS 2120 Intellectual Traditions...Modern Era (3)	
HNRS 2130 Intellectual Traditions...the East (3)	