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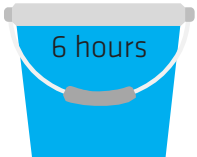
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General Education Program

General Education (GE) Requirements at Wichita State follow the KBOR system-wide GE program framework and are comprised of 34-35 credit hours organized in six discipline-based “buckets” and an institutionally designated bucket. A student who satisfies all seven buckets will complete the GE program.

Bucket #1: English Discipline Area



English 100 or 101 and English 102

Bucket #2: Communication Discipline Area



Communication 111

Bucket #3: Mathematics & Statistics Discipline Area



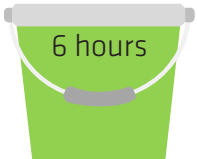
Math 111, 112 or 131* or any math/stat course that requires a MATH 111 or MATH 112 prerequisite. (123, 144, 242, 242H, STAT 370)

Bucket #4: Natural & Physical Sciences Discipline Area



Choose One Subject (must include a lab) :
Anthropology (101 with 106)
Biological Sciences (106 with 107, 210, 211, 220, 223)
Chemistry (103, 211, 212, 523, 531)
Geology (102 for 4 cr.hr., 111, 302, 312, 570, 574)
Physics (195 with 196, 111, 210, 213, 214, 313 with 315, 314 with 316)
Health Sciences (290)

Bucket #5: Social & Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area



Choose from at Least Two Subject Areas:
Anthropology
Criminal Justice
Economics
Entrepreneurship
Ethnic Studies
Geography
Political Science
Psychology
Sociology
Social Work
(full course list on next pages)

Bucket #7: Institutionally Designated Area



3 hours of First-Year Seminar***
(May satisfy #5, #6 requirement.)
3 GE hours with Diversity designation
(May satisfy #4-#6 requirement)
If above requirements are satisfied in buckets #4-#6, students must take additional Gen Ed approved courses to reach a total of 6 cr. hr. in bucket #7. (May include disciplines not included in buckets #1-#6. See full list on next page. No repeat courses.)

Bucket # 6: Arts and Humanities Discipline Area



Choose from at least Two Subject Areas:
Communication**
English**
History
Modern and Classical Languages
Linguistics
Philosophy
Religion
Women's Studies
Art History
Dance
Musicology / Composition Studio Arts
Theatre
(full course list on next pages)

*MATH 131 does not fulfill the prerequisite for any further math course. MATH 131 does not meet degree requirements in all colleges.

**Excludes courses from #1-#3

***Students who have earned an Associate Degree or 30 credit hours prior to high school graduation and before starting classes at WSU as a degree-bound student, may be exempt from taking a First-Year Seminar course.



GE Course List for Buckets 5-7

FROM SPRING 2023 GE LIST

Bucket #5: Social & Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area

AGE 404, 405, 512
 ANTH 102, 103, 200, 303, 305, 318, 327, 335, 344, 352, 416, 511, 522, 528, 555, 613
 ARTS 211, 211H, 312, 312H, 322, 324
 CESP 334
 CJ 191, 315, 351, 355, 394, 453, 513, 518, 593, 652
 COMM 130
 ECON 201, 201H, 202
 EDUC 310, 310H
 ENTR 310, 327, 440
 ETHS 100, 210, 330, 331, 332, 334, 360, 381AC, 381AD, 399, 512
 FYAN 102AC, 102X
 FYCJ 102A, 102Q

FYEC 102B
 FYED 102A, 102B, 102C, 102D
 FYET 102A
 FYIM 102C
 FYIS 102E
 FYMG 102C, 102D
 FYMK 102A
 FYPH 102B, 102C, 102D, 102G
 FYPS 102AB, 102AD
 FYSO 102A, 102Y
 FYSW 102A, 102T
 GEOG 125, 210, 530, 542, 550, 570
 HNRS 106AB, 152F, 306G, 306I, 306J, 306K, 406A, 406B, 406C, 406D

IB 333
 ID 300, 301
 PHS 310, 326, 408, 408H
 POLS 121, 121H, 220, 226, 232, 232H, 305, 310, 315, 315H, 316, 319, 320, 336, 337, 337H, 352, 352H, 356, 356H, 380, 380H, 385, 390, 390F, 390G, 391E, 391L, 391M, 391MH, 391P, 391R, 395
 PSY 111, 111H, 320, 321, 322, 323, 323H, 324, 324H, 325, 404, 406, 409, 410, 413, 413H, 414, 416, 508AH, 534
 SCWK 201, 304, 385, 541, 571
 SOC 111, 302, 306, 315, 316, 318, 319, 320, 322, 325, 326, 330, 332, 336, 337, 338, 346, 350, 405, 515, 516, 528, 534, 528, 539
 WSUA 102AG
 WSUN 102A, 102E, 102G

Bucket # 6: Arts and Humanities Discipline Area

ARTS
 ARTE 303
 ARTH 103, 125A, 125B, 125C, 125D, 328, 346, 347, 387
 ARTS 270
 DANC 140, 225, 325
 FA 110, 301, 321
 FYMU 102A, 102B
 FYPF 102A, 102C
 HNRS 304F
 MUSC 113, 160, 161, 162, 334, 335, 346, 493
 THEA 143, 221, 241, 243, 260, 385, 516, 517, 624
 WSUN 102C

HUMANITIES
 COMM 190, 221, 302, 312, 313, 321, 335, 430, 535, 631
 ENGL 152, 230, 232D, 232E, 232I, 232K, 232L, 232M, 232OH, 232P, 232Q, 232R, 232S, 232T, 240, 241, 252, 254, 273, 274, 276, 277, 278,

285, 310, 315, 320, 322, 323, 330, 340, 343, 344, 360, 361, 362, 363, 365, 375, 377, 378, 379, 517, 518, 579
 FREN 210, 210H, 223, 223H, 300, 300H, 540, 541
 FYAR 102D
 FYCM 102D, 102R
 FYEN 102P
 FYET 102B
 FYHS 102AE, 102AZ, 102K, 102M, 102O, 102V, 102Z
 FYML 102C, 102E, 102F, 102G, 102I, 102N
 FYPL 102A, 102S
 FYWS 102AA, 102J
 GERM 210, 224, 300
 HIST 100, 101, 102, 131, 132, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 314, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 327, 330, 333, 340, 359, 362, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 507, 508, 511, 512, 513, 514, 517, 517H, 518, 518H, 522, 525, 528, 530, 531, 535, 536, 541, 543, 543H, 544, 550, 553, 559, 560, 562, 566, 567, 575, 576, 581, 582, 588, 589, 592, 593

HNRS 105G, 305F, 305J, 305N, 305O, 305P, 305Q, 305R, 305S, 305U, 305V, 305W, 305X 351, 352, 405C, 405E, 405F, 405G
 JAPN 322, 324
 LASI 300
 LATN 223, 224
 LING 151, 152, 315
 PHIL 100, 105, 125, 125H, 144, 144H, 300, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307, 310, 312, 312H, 313, 315, 320, 322, 327, 331, 338, 341, 342, 346, 352, 354, 360, 361, 365, 385, 526, 530, 577
 REL 110, 115, 301, 301H, 302, 327, 420, 576
 RUSS 210, 224, 300
 SPAN 210, 323, 323H, 400
 WOMS 190, 287, 306, 316, 338, 361, 365, 385, 387, 389, 391, 392, 399, 420, 511, 513, 516, 530, 534, 541, 571, 588
 WSUN 102D, 102F

Bucket #7 Course List: Institutionally Designated

FYS Courses (Student must take 1 FYS course which may be satisfied in bucket #5 or #6)

BUCKET #5
 FYAN 102AC, 102X
 FYCJ 102A, 102Q
 FYEC 102B
 FYED 102A, 102B, 102C, 102D
 FYET 102A
 FYIM 102C
 FYIS 102E
 FYMG 102C, 102D
 FYMK 102A
 FYPH 102B, 102C, 102D, 102G
 FYPS 102AB, 102AD
 FYSO 102A, 102Y
 FYSW 102A, 102T

WSUA 102AG
 WSUN 102A, 102E, 102G

BUCKET #6
ARTS
 FYMU 102A, 102B
 FYPF 102A, 102C
 WSUN 102C

HUMANITIES
 FYAR 102D
 FYCM 102D, 102R
 FYEN 102P
 FYET 102B

FYHS 102AE, 102AZ, 102K, 102M, 102O, 102V, 102Z
 FYML 102C, 102E, 102F, 102G, 102I, 102N
 FYPL 102A, 102S
 FYWS 102AA, 102J
 WSUN 102D, 102F

OTHER
 FYBI 102A
 FYCH 102W
 FYGE 102U
 FYMP 102A
 FYMS 102F
 WSUH 102E

GE Courses with Diversity Attribute (Student must take 1 Diversity course which may be satisfied in bucket #4, #5 or #6)

BUCKET #4 (NOT FYS)
 GEOL 102

BUCKET #5 (NOT FYS)
 ANTH 101, 102, 200, 303, 327, 356, 356, 416, 511, 522, 356H, 387
 ARTS 211, 312, 324, 211H, 312H
 CESP 334
 CJ 355
 ENTR 327
 ETHS 210, 330, 331, 332, 334, 360, 399, 512, 381AC, 381AD
 GEOG 210, 570
 HNRS 106AB, 306K
 IB 333
 PHS 512
 POLS 220, 310, 320, 356, 385, 356H
 PSY 406, 416, 534
 SCWK 304, 385, 541, 571
 SOC 302, 306, 316, 318, 319, 326, 330, 346, 515, 516, 528, 534, 538

BUCKET #6 (NOT FYS)
ARTS
 MUSC 113, 162, 346, 493
 THEA 385

HUMANITIES
 COMM 190, 335
 ENGL 152, 241, 278 365
 HIST 100, 317, 333, 511, 512, 513, 522 530, 531, 536, 553
 HNRS 305S
 LASI 300
 LING 152
 PHIL 144, 300, 302, 306, 313, 327, 338, 354, 385, 144H
 REL 327, 420
 WOMS 190, 287, 306, 316, 338, 361, 365, 385, 387, 389, 391, 392, 399, 420, 511, 513, 516, 530, 534, 541, 571, 588

FYS COURSES
 FYAN 102AC, 102X
 FYED 102A, 102B
 FYET 102A
 FYIS 102E
 FYMG 102C, 102D
 FYMK 102A
 FYML 102E
 FYMP 102A
 FYPH 102D
 FYPH 102G
 FYPS 102E
 FYSO 102Y
 FYSW 102A,102T
 WSUN 102C, 102D, 102E, 102F, 102G

OTHER (NOT FYS)
 BIOL 360, 370
 GEOL 200, 300

GE Courses Not in Buckets #1-#6 or FYS

ANTH 356, 356H
 BIOL 309, 309H, 310, 360, 370
 CHEM 101, 514, 545, 661
 GEOG 235
 GEOL 200, 235, 300, 310, 574C

HNRS 153B, 153T, 307C
 HP 330
 MATH 144, 242, 242H, 243, 243H, 344, 344H, 531
 MLS 430
 PC 105

PHS 101
 PHYS 131, 395
 STAT 370, 460, 571, 572, 576



Differences From Current WSU GE

The committee found in reviewing the framework that WSU's existing GE program largely complied with the new policy. Below is a list of specific differences.

KBOR Framework Required Changes

- Each KBOR institution determines that a student has satisfied the system-wide GE requirements. KBOR mandates that a student transferring to WSU from any KBOR institution with this notation will have satisfied the requirements for GE at WSU. A student who transfers without this notation must meet WSU GE requirements.
- Total required GE credits hours are reduced from 36 to 34-35.
- The Fine Arts Discipline has merged with Humanities. Students now pick two subjects within this larger bucket.
- Math and Statistics have been separated to a distinct discipline from Natural Sciences.
- All students are required to take a NS Lab.
- There is no requirement for course number 300 and above, however they are not excluded and can still receive GE attribution.
- An additional 3 cr. hr. of social and behavioral sciences are required. Students must select from 2 subject areas in this bucket. FYS may fulfill this requirement.

Institutional Changes

- Institutional requirement of at least 3 GE cr. hr. of diversity designated coursework has been added. These may be satisfied through the discipline specific requirements including FYS.
- There is no restriction of the amount of major or program requirements which can be applied to GE, but students must fulfill the two subject requirement in buckets #5 and #6.



FAQ about Framework and Proposal

FAQ #1: What is the KBOR GE policy and what are its goals?

Full details about the KBOR Framework policy are at: https://kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/general-education.

“At the end of FY 2020, the Board expressed a strong desire to develop a more robust system-based approach to facilitate student transfer. Building on this vision, in FY 2021 and 2022, the Board established a goal to develop a system-wide general education (GE) package under a common framework. When framing this goal, the Board instructed Board staff to develop a system-based GE package that would maximize the application of credit throughout the system, simplify processes for transfer students, and remove barriers for transfer students.”

FAQ #2: Does WSU have to comply with this policy?

Yes. “State universities are required to comply with every aspect of both policies.”

FAQ #3: Do all programs need to comply?

There is an exceptions process which is detailed at https://kansasregents.org/academic_affairs/general-education/implementing-systemwide-ge for specific programs.

FAQ #4: Is an institution able to change or modify the bucket names?

“Common terminology and consistent themes help prospective students, current students, transfer students, academic advisors, and high school counselors connect the dots between multiple institutions. Thus, universal bucket names are a necessary component to provide an avenue to navigate GE requirements throughout the system. “

FAQ #5: What is the implementation timeline?

“At the latest, this will need to take effect on each campus for first-time students and transfer students who begin in the Fall of 2024.” “Nothing prohibits an earlier implementation.”

FAQ #6: What was the process to produce this proposal?

On Aug 16, 2022 the Faculty Senate President with support from the Senate Executive Committee charged the general education committee to produce a new WSU GE policy which complies with the KBOR system-wide framework. A subcommittee consisting of 4 members of the GE committee, a representative from the registrars office, the Associate VP for Academic affairs, and a representative from LAS advising was formed to produce the policy and met 5 times. This policy was then approved on Jan 23, 2023 by the full GE committee to bring forward to the Faculty Senate for consideration.

FAQ #7: What is the overall strategy in drafting the new policy?

The KBOR framework leaves little room for variation except in the institutional bucket (#7). In general we aimed for compliance and maximal flexibility while supporting the unique FYS and diversity components of our existing program.

FAQ #8: Does the University maintain its authority to approve individual courses for GE?

Yes. We will continue to approve GE coursework following the existing GE process. We also have the authority to set the discipline for each approved course.

FAQ #9: How will the diversity attribute be determined for GE courses?

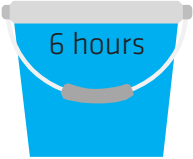
The GE committee recommends the formation of a standing diversity committee to review the diversity attribute for all courses including GE courses.



Sample GE Programs

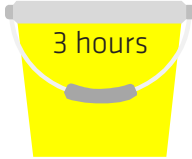
Sample General GE Completed at WSU

Bucket #1: English Discipline Area



English 100 - 3 hours
English 102 - 3 hours

Bucket #2: Communication Discipline Area



Communication 111 - 3 hours

Bucket #3: Mathematics & Statistics Discipline Area



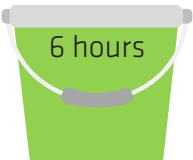
Math 111 - 3 hours

Bucket #4: Natural & Physical Sciences Discipline Area



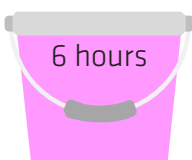
GEOL 111 - 4 hours

Bucket #5: Social & Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area



Choose from at Least Two Subject Areas:
SOC 316 - 3 Hours (**DIVERSITY REQ.**)
PSY 111 - 3 Hours

Bucket #7: Institutionally Designated Area



Any approved GE - 3 hours
Any approved GE - 3 hours

Bucket #6: Arts and Humanities Discipline Area

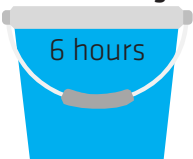


FYEN 102P - 3 hours (**FYS REQ.**)
PHIL 100 - 3 Hours

34 GE hours total, FYS and Diversity fulfilled in Bucket #5 and #6

Sample Engineering GE Completed at WSU

Bucket #1: English Discipline Area



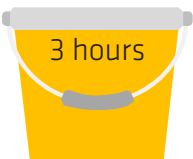
English 100 - 3 hours
English 102 - 3 hours

Bucket #2: Communication Discipline Area



Communication 111 - 3 hours

Bucket #3: Mathematics & Statistics Discipline Area



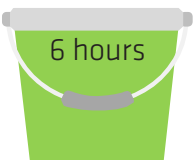
Math 242 - 5 hours
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

Bucket #4: Natural & Physical Sciences Discipline Area



CHEM 211 - 5 hours
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

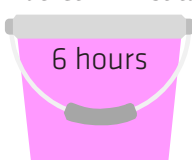
Bucket #5: Social & Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area



FYET 102A 316 - 3 Hours (**FYS REQ.**)
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

ECON 201 - 3 hours
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

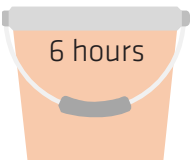
Bucket #7: Institutionally Designated Area



PHYS 313 - 4 hours
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

MATH 243 - 5 hours
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

Bucket #6: Arts and Humanities Discipline Area



PHIL 385 - 3 hours (**DIVERSITY REQ.**)
(REQUIRED BY ENG.)

THEA 143 - 3 hours

40 GE hours total, FYS and Diversity fulfilled in Bucket #5 and #6. 28 hours required by Engineering.