

Degree Requirements and Academic Regulations for Students in the College of Arts and Sciences

In addition to the academic regulations of IPFW ([see Part 8](#)), the following rules apply to you. Where college regulations are stricter than IPFW regulations, the college regulations apply.

For each of the concentrations for the Associate of Arts, the requirements encompass approximately the first half of the bachelor's degree program offered by the sponsoring department. See [Part 5](#) for complete requirements for related bachelor's degrees.

Because individual departments may have specific requirements, students are strongly encouraged to consult with their academic advisors when planning their course of study.

Requirements for the Associate of Arts

Credits in IPFW General Education Area I:(9)

- *COM 114 Fundamentals of Speech Communication*
- *ENG W131 Elementary Composition I (or equivalent), with a grade of C or higher*
- Quantitative Reasoning course (except MA 101), with a grade of C or higher
- Credits in IPFW General Education Area II, including one science course with a scheduled laboratory Credits: 6
- Credits in IPFW General Education Area III Credits: 6
- Credits in IPFW General Education Area IV Credits: 6
- Credits in the first year of a foreign language Credits: 8
- Credits in a concentration with a grade of C or higher in each course (see below) Credits: 15–21
- Additional credits in approved elective courses Credits: 4–12

Total with a graduation GPA of at least 2.00 (60–63)

Requirements for Associate of Science

Requirements for the Associate of Science in chemical methods appear in [Part 5](#) of this *Bulletin*.

Requirements for Bachelor of Arts

In addition to Areas I through VI of the IPFW General Education program and the requirements for your major, you must satisfy the following college requirements:

1. Parts A through D listed below
2. At least 30 credits in upper-level courses as defined by the departments offering the courses (excluding military science courses).
3. **A GPA of 2.00 or higher for all major department courses taken. ~~A grade of C or better for all courses counted in the major.~~** At most, one approved course in the major

discipline may also count toward IPFW General Education Area II–V requirements. No course in the major discipline may count in Area VI.

4. The IPFW General Education Area I computer literacy requirement for the College of Arts and Sciences is met by completing COM 114, ENG W131, and one additional course selected from the following: CS 106, CS 107, CS 160, MA 149, MA 151, MA 153, MA 154, MA 163, MA 164, MA 165, MA 166, MA 168, MA 229, MA 230, STAT 125, or an approved departmentally specified course, or completion of STEPS (or successor program).

The IPFW General Education Area I quantitative reasoning requirement for the College of Arts and Sciences is met by completing, with a grade of C or better, any course listed in the quantitative reasoning section of Area I (except MA 101), or any Mathematics course numbered 153 or higher. Note that for some degree programs, only a subset of the courses listed in the quantitative reasoning section of Area I are allowed. The various courses differ in terms with respect to emphasis on the foundations of mathematical reasoning and their applications. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with their academic advisor as to which course would be most appropriate for them.

5. The College of Arts and Sciences requires that you complete at least one science course with a scheduled laboratory as part of your Area II IPFW General Education requirements. This requirement may be met either by taking a lecture course that includes a scheduled laboratory (for example, CHM 111) or a lecture course plus a laboratory course designed to accompany it (for example, GEOL G100 plus GEOL L100). This provides the opportunity to apply concepts learned in the classroom and to conduct scientific inquiry.

4.6. A sufficient number of elective credits to bring the total for graduation to 124.

Part A: English Writing

An education in the liberal arts and sciences emphasizes the value of analyzing and presenting ideas in writing, and thus the College strives to improve the written communication skills of its students. Consequently, you are required to take a second writing course in addition to the general education writing course. Students will ~~You~~ **must** complete ENG W233 or an equivalent second writing course approved for this purpose by individual departments and the College. In general, these second writing courses are developed to introduce students to the types of writing they will do in their respective fields. ~~the college~~. Approved equivalents are ENG L202, ILCS I300, HIST H217, POLS Y205, and SOC S260, ~~and SPAN W300~~. You must complete both ENG W131 (or equivalent) and your second writing course with a grade of C or better.

Part B: Global Awareness

The arts and sciences education traditionally includes an acquaintance with the languages and cultures of the world. We identify two requirements that must be satisfied: language and international studies.

Language Requirement: Students will take two years of language other than English, or demonstrate equivalent proficiency. At least one year of an international language is required. Students may fulfill the second year of the requirement with a second year of the same language or a second international language, American Sign Language, a computer programming language, symbolic logic, or other formal language approved by the COAS Curriculum Committee.

International Studies Requirement: Choose one of the following options to fulfill this requirement:

1. Complete the four-semester sequence in an international language (this option also fulfills the language requirement at the same time).
2. Successfully transfer the equivalent of 3 credit hours resulting from resident study abroad at an accredited, post-secondary institution.
3. Complete INTL I200 or other course at the 200-level or higher which emphasizes global issues and is approved by the COAS curriculum committee.

Students are strongly encouraged to consult with their academic advisor as to which approach would be most appropriate for them and to begin studying a language as soon as possible. For advanced placement and special credit in foreign language, see the additional information for the bachelor's degree.

~~Part B: Foreign Language~~

~~You must complete the last two courses in one of the sequences listed below (or demonstrate equivalent proficiency). Courses are offered in French, German, and Spanish. You are urged to begin studying a language as soon as possible. For advanced placement and special credit in foreign language, see the additional information for the bachelor's degree.~~

- ~~• FREN F111 F112 F203 F204~~
- ~~• GER G111 G112 G203 G204~~
- ~~• SPAN S111 S112 S203 S204~~

Part C: Distribution

A significant component of the arts and sciences education is the breadth of knowledge throughout the three major areas of the Natural Sciences and Mathematics; the Social

and Behavioral Sciences; and the Humanities. Students will accomplish this by completing 3 credits in each of these areas. Credits in your major discipline or in directed study courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.

1. Science and Mathematics. Courses from the following disciplines satisfy this requirement:

~~In addition to the courses used to satisfy part A and B above, you must complete 3 credits in each of the following areas. No credits in your major discipline or in directed study courses may be used to satisfy this requirement.~~

~~**1. Science and Mathematics.** You must complete at least one science course with a scheduled laboratory, and you must also complete with a grade of C or better one mathematics course at the MA 153 level or above, or any other course in the Quantitative Reasoning section of the IPFW General Education requirements except MA 101. If the science and mathematics courses you completed for the IPFW General Education requirements satisfy this requirement, you may select the remaining required course from any of the following disciplines:~~

Agriculture (FNR 103 only)
Anthropology (ANTH B200 only)
Astronomy
Biology (excluding BIOL 105)
Chemistry
Entomology
Geography (physical geography only)
Geology
Mathematics (excluding MA 101, 102, and 103)
Physics
Political Science (POLS Y395 only)
Sociology (SOC S351 only)
Statistics

2. Social and Behavioral Sciences. Courses from the following disciplines satisfy this requirement:

Anthropology (excluding ANTH B200)
Audiology and Speech Sciences
Communication (excluding COM 114, 210, 240, 312, and 316)
Economics
English (ENG G205, G206, and G301 only)
Geography (human, cultural, or social geography only)
Gerontology (GERN G231 only)
International Studies (INTL I200 only)
Journalism (JOUR C200, C300, J300 and J337 only)
Linguistics
Political Science (excluding POLS Y395)

Psychology
Sociology (excluding SOC S351)
Spanish* (SPAN S425, S426, and S428 only)
Women's studies (WOST W210 and W240 only)

3. Humanities. Courses from the following disciplines satisfy this requirement:

Afro-American studies
American studies
Architectural Engineering Technology (ARET 210 and 310 only)
Chinese*
Classical studies
Communication (COM 210, 216, 240, 312, and 316 only)
Comparative literature
English (except ENG G205, G206, G301, P131, W130, W131, W135, W140, W232, W233, W234, W321, W331, W364, W397, W398, and W421)
Film studies
Fine arts (excluding studio courses)
Folklore
French*
German*
History
ILCS (International Language and Culture Studies)
Journalism (excluding JOUR C200, C300, and J300)
Latin American studies
Music (excluding performance/skills courses)
Philosophy
~~Religion~~ Religious Studies
Russian*
Spanish* (except SPAN S425, S426, and S428)
Theatre (excluding performance/production courses)
Women's studies (excluding WOST W210 and W240)

*excluding courses used to satisfy the Part B requirement

Part D: Cultural Studies

An important element of a degree from the College of Arts and Sciences is for students to acquire skills necessary to be productive, responsible citizens and leaders in communities at all levels. To do this, students must have a commitment to free and open inquiry and show mutual respect across multiple cultures and perspectives. Students will accomplish this by taking 6 credit hours in culture studies, including one course on Western Culture, and one course on Non-Western Culture.

~~You must complete two approved courses. Courses used to meet the IPFW General Education requirements or the requirements of Part C may also be used to fulfill Part D requirements; however, the credits for those courses count only once toward graduation.~~

1. Western Tradition Culture. You must complete one of the following 3-credit courses dealing broadly with the Western tradition:

CLAS C205, C405
COM 312
ENG L101, L102
FINA H111, H112
HIST H113, H114
PHIL 110, ~~112~~, 240, 301, 331
POLS Y105, Y381, Y382
REL **112, 230**, 231

2. Non-Western Culture. You must complete one of the following 3-credit courses dealing exclusively or primarily with a non-Western culture or cultures:

ANTH E320, E321, E330, E335, E340, E341, E345, E401, E405, E420, E445, E455,
E457, E462, E470, P360, P370
CMLT C461
ENG L107, L113, L364, L387
FINA H415
FOLK F305, F352
HIST A310–A311, C393, D410, E331, E332, E336, E431, F341, F342, F346, F432, G451,
G452, H201, H202, H203, H204, H232, T335
PHIL 330, **381**
POLS Y337, Y339, Y340
REL 230, 301
SPAN S246, S412, S471, S472, S477, S479, S480
WOST W301

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Part B: Foreign Language

You must complete two courses at the first-year level (or demonstrate equivalent proficiency) in one **international** language. ~~Students in a teaching program are exempt from the foreign language requirement~~. You are urged to begin studying a language as soon as possible. For advanced placement and special credit in foreign language, see the additional information for bachelor's degrees, below.

Additional Information for Bachelor's Degrees

Along with the IPFW academic regulations ([see part 8](#)), the following information applies to all bachelor's degree programs:

1. Special Credit for Foreign Language.

When you begin your foreign language study at the second-semester (112-113) level or higher, you are eligible to apply for special credit after you successfully complete the course into which you placed. You may receive up to 14 credits of special credit for the courses you skipped.

2. Undistributed Transfer Credit.

Undistributed transfer credit (for courses not equivalent to IPFW courses) may be used to satisfy General Education requirements, distribution requirements, and may be counted in the major. You should contact the college office to confirm the application to your program of any undistributed transfer credit you are awarded.

3. Credit Restrictions.

The following restrictions apply to all Arts and Sciences degrees:

- a. You may count no more than 4 credits in:
HPER activities
- b. You may count no more than 3 credits in:
IDIS courses ENG W135 MA 149, and only by those departments that allow graduation credit for MA 153
- c. You may count no credit in:
Developmental courses such as CHM 100; EDUC X15x; ENG R15x, W11x, and W130; and MA 109, 111, and 113.

Courses that provide only surveys of career opportunities, such as AGR 101, BUS J101, CNT 101, EDUA F300 (except when offered as Invitation to Teaching) and G250, EDUC X210, ENGR 101, ETCS 101, HSRV 100 (1 cr.), HTM 100, IDIS 105, MHT 100 (1 cr.), NUR 101, RHIT 100, SPEA V352, and VM 102.

Courses designed to provide a skill not required to complete the major, such as AHLT Mxxx, AHSP Mxxx; BUFW C124, C125, C293, and X221; BUS K214; DAST Axxx; DHYG Hxxx; OLS 121; and SPV 399.

Courses offered by the former Indiana Division of General and Technical Studies (DGTS).

4. Credit for Military Service.

Credit for military service in the armed forces of the United States will not be counted toward graduation.

5. Overlapping Content.

You may not count toward graduation any courses or sequences considered to have overlapping content. Such courses are listed below; check this list before registering. This list may not be exhaustive. Please consult with your advisor. If you enroll in a course that appears in the left column, and you have completed any of the courses that are listed to its right, only the most recently completed course will apply toward graduation.