

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL DEGREES

General Education

The faculty of the University perceive the mission of General Education to be that of providing a foundation for sustained lifelong learning. The program is designed to help the student develop the abilities to reason critically, analyze objectively, think creatively, perceive assumptions, make judgments on the basis of values, construct arguments, use evidence, and communicate and observe effectively. Through General Education, the specific skills of reading, writing, computation, comprehension, listening, and speaking will be enhanced. The program also strives to instill an appreciation and understanding of the creative, intellectual, social, and scientific forces which shape our history and guide our lives. When General Education is successfully completed, the student should be better prepared to perform effectively and responsibly in society and will have the base of knowledge necessary for the pursuit of advanced studies.

The following General Education requirements apply to all baccalaureate degrees. These requirements exist to guard against narrow specialization and to insure that each student's program contains a significant liberal arts emphasis.

Humanities and Social Sciences (30 hours)

Composition.....	6 hours
ENGL 1013 Composition I or	
ENGL 1033 Honors Composition I	
<i>and</i>	
ENGL 1023 Composition II or	
ENGL 1043 Honors Composition II	
Fine Arts.....	3 hours
One of the following:	
ART 1053 Art Appreciation	
MUS 1113 Music Appreciation	
Speech	3 hours
One of the following:	
SPCH 1023 Public Speaking	
SPCH 1043 Honors Speech Communication	
SPCH 1103 Introduction to Communication	
SPCH 2203 Interpersonal Communication	
SPCH 2283 Business and Professional Speech	
Humanities Cluster.....	6 hours
HIST 1013 Survey of Civilization I <i>and</i> ENGL 2283 Survey of World Literature I	
<i>or</i>	
HIST 1023 Survey of Civilization II <i>and</i> ENGL 2293 Survey of World Literature II	
Humanities Elective	3 hours
To be chosen from the disciplines of Art, Music, Foreign Language, English, or Philosophy	
U.S. History or Government	3 hours
One of the following:	
HIST 2213 American History I	
HIST 2223 American History II	
PSCI 2213 American National Government	

Psychology or Sociology.....3 hours
One of the following:
PSY 1013 Introduction to Psychology
SOC 2213 Introduction to Sociology

Social Science Elective3 hours
To be chosen from the disciplines of Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology,
or Sociology

Mathematics and Natural Sciences (11 hours)

Mathematics3 hours
All students must pass a mathematics course at the 1000 level or above.

Basic Sciences.....8 hours
Eight hours from three-hour lecture courses with associated one-hour labs or four-hour courses with
integrated labs chosen from two of the following disciplines: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics.

Mathematics, Science, or Technology Elective (3 hours)

To be chosen from the disciplines of Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Information Systems,
Computer Science, Earth Science, Mathematics, Physics, or Physical Science

TOTAL HOURS 44

Honors Program (HONR) courses may be used to satisfy certain General Education requirements. Please consult
with your advisor.

Restrictions

The following restrictions apply to the General Education program:

1. Courses designed for specific audiences will NOT be counted for General Education credit. These courses include the following:
AGEC 2273 Agricultural Economics
ART 1103 Children's Arts and Crafts
MATH 2243 Fundamental Geometric Concepts
MATH 3553 Mathematics for Elementary Teachers
All discipline-related, one-hour teaching seminars (e.g., BIOL 4711 Seminar in Biology Teaching)
2. Courses from the major of a student will be counted for General Education elective credit only in the Speech and Humanities Cluster categories under Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Mathematics category under Mathematics and Natural Sciences. When supportive requirements exist for a given major, but are drawn from a discipline other than the major, they may be used to meet the general education requirements, provided that they do not violate the restrictions listed in the previous paragraph.
3. In addition to the courses in the major curriculum and its supportive requirements, a major may require specific courses within the General Education elective options.

Senior Credit Requirement

A total of 40 semester hours must be earned in courses numbered at the 3000-4000 level. At least 15 hours in the major and at least nine hours in the minor must be at the 3000-4000 level unless otherwise specified.

Residency Requirement

For a bachelor's degree, candidates must have earned at least 30 semester hours in residence at the University of Arkansas-Monticello, 24 of which must be taken after attaining senior class standing, and a portion of which must be in the major and/or minor field. Special permission to deviate from the senior residence requirement may be granted in individual cases where a proposal has merit relative to the student's academic objectives. Such requests must be

presented in writing by the student to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and must have the approval of the student's major advisor and the Academic Appeals Committee.

For an associate degree, candidates must earn no fewer than 15 semester hours of credit at the University of Arkansas-Monticello.

Second Baccalaureate Degree

Occasionally, students may wish to pursue a second baccalaureate degree. In such cases, students must meet all major and degree identity requirements for the second degree, earn at least 30 semester hours of credit in residence beyond the first degree requirements, and satisfy all grade point average requirements.

Second Major

A student may complete a second major. All requirements for both majors must be fulfilled; however, only the degree identity requirements for the first major must be fulfilled. Students who have already earned a baccalaureate degree are not eligible for seeking a second major except by earning a second, separate degree.

Graduation under a Particular Catalog

Candidates for undergraduate degrees must complete requirements for graduation within four years of the time admitted to candidacy (issuance of a degree audit) or reapply and complete requirements of the class with which they will graduate. Students have a maximum of six years to graduate under the catalog in effect at the time of their original enrollment.

The present catalog is in force from the second summer session, 1999, through the first summer session, 2001.

Candidates for graduate degrees should see the "Graduate Programs" section of the catalog.

Grade Point Requirement for Graduation

A minimum grade point average of 2.00 is required in: 1) major field, 2) minor field, and 3) overall. Some majors require all major courses to be completed with a minimum grade of "C."

Degree Audit Requirement

Baccalaureate students must file an official degree audit following completion of 70 hours and prior to the completion of 90 hours. Associate degree candidates should file an official degree audit following the completion of 35 hours and prior to the completion of 45 hours. Students who have completed 90 or more hours must have a degree audit on file to register for the next semester. The audit becomes official when it is signed by the student, advisor, unit head, Office of Academic Affairs, and Registrar. This process is designed to assist the student in attaining a degree. Lack of knowledge or incorrect interpretation of University policies and regulations does not remove the student from the obligation to satisfy all requirements for a degree. The student bears the ultimate responsibility for completing a degree program.

SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Associate Degrees

For information on the requirements for these degrees, please refer to the College of General Studies section of the catalog.

Baccalaureate Degrees

The Bachelor of Arts Degree

1. At least 124 hours of course work at or above the 1000 level in addition to any required courses below the 1000 level.
2. The General Education Program.
3. A comprehensive major or a major of at least 30 hours and a minor of at least 24 hours. Students planning to teach must complete the Professional Education minor.

4. At least 12 hours in one foreign language; or at least six hours in one foreign language and six additional hours chosen from the courses listed below. Students minoring in secondary education who complete the professional education sequence are exempt from the foreign language requirement.

All foreign language courses

ART 3403 Art History
ART 3414 Art History

ENGL 2223 Reading in Literature
ENGL 2243 The Bible as Literature
ENGL 2313 The Short Story
ENGL 4613 British Novel
ENGL 4623 Shakespeare
ENGL 4633 American Novel
ENGL 4713 Literature of the South

MUS 3413 Introduction to Music Literature
MUS 3563 or 3573 History of Music

PHIL 2223 Introduction to Philosophy
PHIL 3433 Readings in Philosophy
PHIL 3523 Logic
PHIL 3623 Ethics
PHIL 4603 History of Philosophy

Majors

Art		
Elementary Education		
English	History	History and Social Studies
Music		
Political Science		
Special Education, Mildly Handicapped		
Speech		

The Bachelor of Business Administration Degree

1. At least 124 hours of course work at or above the 1000 level in addition to any required courses below the 1000 level.
2. The General Education Program.
3. For information on the other requirements for this degree, please refer to the School of Business section of this catalog beginning on page ###.

Majors

Accounting
Business Administration
Computer Information Systems

The Bachelor of Science Degree

1. At least 124 hours of course work at or above the 1000 level in addition to any required courses below the 1000

level.

2. The General Education Program.
3. A comprehensive major or a major of at least 30 hours and a minor of at least 24 hours. Students planning to teach must complete the Professional Education minor, which may be substituted for the 24-hour subject matter minor.
4. Eighteen hours of science and/or mathematics, or the professional education sequence. A science and/or mathematics course is defined as any course which can be used to fulfill the mathematics and natural sciences requirements for General Education.

Majors

Agriculture
Biology
Business Education
Chemistry
Criminal Justice
Forestry
Health and Physical Education
Mathematics
Physical Science
Psychology
Social Work
Wildlife Management

Minors and Collaterals

All minor programs approved by the University are eligible under the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degree programs. When approved by the major advisor and the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, an individualized, interdisciplinary and/or collateral area of study of not less than 24 hours may be offered in lieu of a minor. Both minors and collaterals must include at least 9 hours of 3000-4000 level course work.

An interdisciplinary international studies collateral can be designed in consultation with the student's advisor and the unit head for the major field. Courses such as the following might be included: International Business; General Geography; Conversational Spanish; French Civilization and Culture; history courses in Britain, Europe, the Middle East and North Africa, Russia, or Latin America; the English Seminar in Recent International Fiction; or the political science courses in International Relations, Russian Politics, Middle East Politics, or Comparative Politics. Survey of World Literature I and II, Civilization I and II, Elementary French, and Elementary Spanish courses cannot be counted toward the requirements for a collateral. In every case, the courses planned for a collateral must show a good distribution among areas of study.

The Bachelor of Music Education Degree

For information on the requirements for this degree, please refer to the Division of Music section of this catalog beginning on page ###.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree

For information on the requirements for this degree, please refer to the Division of Nursing section of this catalog beginning on page ###.

GRADUATE DEGREES

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REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION

In compliance with State of Arkansas law, the University requires that each student pursuing a degree in a program leading to certification as a teacher meet certain requirements for admission to the teacher education program. One of the requirements is the achievement of passing scores on the Praxis I (Pre-Professional Skills Test). For admission to the internship year, students must earn passing scores on the Praxis II Professional Knowledge exam. Prior to graduation, students are required to have passing scores on the Praxis II specialty examinations in their teaching areas. Specific admissions requirements are available from the School of Education office.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL CANDIDATES (Veterinary, Medical, Dental, Law, etc.)

Students who enter accredited professional programs before actually completing all degree requirements may be granted the baccalaureate degree under the following circumstances: students must have completed 93 hours of undergraduate course work including the state core curriculum of general education requirements, at least 12 hours at the 3000-4000 level, and at least 30 hours completed in residence at the University of Arkansas-Monticello. After completion of the course work at the accredited professional school deemed appropriate to satisfy all graduation requirements including those of a specific major, the student may then be awarded the degree upon request. Degrees will be awarded only for programs of study that are offered by the University at that time.

GRADUATION WITH HONORS

The University recognizes graduates of baccalaureate and associate degree programs who have excelled in their studies. At the baccalaureate degree level, students must have a cumulative grade point average of not less than 3.50 to graduate cum laude. To graduate magna cum laude, students must have a cumulative grade point average of not less than 3.70. The highest recognition is summa cum laude which requires a cumulative grade point average of not less than 3.90. Associate degree graduates with a cumulative grade point average of not less than 3.50 graduate with the designation “honors.”

To graduate with honors, associate degree students must have at least thirty hours in residence at UAM, and baccalaureate students must have at least sixty hours in residence at UAM. Only 1000-level courses and above are used to compute the hours in residence and the grade point average.

COMMENCEMENT

Degrees are conferred at spring convocation, and in August and December. There is no convocation with the August or December graduation. Students must file a Notice of Intent to Graduate form with the Registrar a least four weeks prior to graduation. The official graduation date is three business days following the last final examination of the term.

ARKANSAS CORE CURRICULUM

The Arkansas Board of Higher Education, by legislative direction, establishes at each public college and university a 35-credit core curriculum. This 35-credit block is fully transferable among Arkansas public institutions and will satisfy corresponding degree requirements at each institution. The University maintains a current list of the 35-credit core from other Arkansas public institutions.

The University's 35-credit core is listed below. It is fully contained within the 44-credit General Education program required for all baccalaureate degrees and within the 38-credit general education program for the Associate of Arts degree.

State Core Curriculum	35 hours
English Composition	6 hours
ENGL 1013 Freshman Composition I or ENGL 1033 Honors Composition I	
ENGL 1023 Freshman Composition II or ENGL 1043 Honors Composition II	
Mathematics 3 hours	
One of the following:	
MATH 1003 Survey of Mathematics	

MATH 1043 College Algebra

Or any higher-level mathematics course except MATH 2243, or MATH 3553.

Basic Sciences8 hours

Eight hours from three-hour lecture courses with associated one-hour labs or four-hour courses with integrated labs chosen from two of the following disciplines: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics.

Fine Arts/Humanities9 hours

Humanities Cluster (6 hours)

HIST 1013 Survey of Civilization I *and* ENGL 2283 Survey of World Literature I

or

HIST 1023 Survey of Civilization II *and* ENGL 2293 Survey of World Literature II

Humanities Elective (3 hours)

To be chosen from the disciplines of Art, Music, Foreign Language, English, or Philosophy

Social Sciences9 hours

U.S. History or Government (3 hours)

One of the following:

HIST 2213 American History I

HIST 2223 American History II

PSCI 2213 American National Government

Psychology or Sociology (3 hours)

One of the following:

PSY 1013 Introduction to Psychology

SOC 2213 Introduction to Sociology

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