

Approved General Education Courses

The following listing represents those courses in each category that have been approved by the General Education committee. In some cases the courses have been taught on a regular basis while in other cases the course may have been taught infrequently.

AREA ONE: Abilities of the Liberally Educated

1.1 First Year Seminar [3 hrs]

- IDFY 101 First Year Seminar (3)
- IDFY 102 Honors First Year Seminar (3)

A list of current seminars is prepared each summer delineating seminars to be offered during the subsequent academic year. See: A Student Guide to the First Year Seminar Program.

1.2 Oral Communications [3 hrs]

- COMM 104 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication (3)
- COMM 105 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3)
- COMM 106 Fundamentals of Public Communication (3)

1.3 Created and Called for Community [3 hrs]

- IDCR 151 Created and Called for Community (3)

AREA TWO: Liberal Knowledge

2.1 Mathematical and Natural Sciences [9 hrs]

A. Mathematical Sciences [3 hrs]

- COSC 171 Problem Solving with Computers (3)
- COSC 181 Computer Programming I (3)
- MATH 101 Introduction to Mathematical Sciences (3)
- MATH 102 Mathematics of Growth (3)
- MATH 107 Applied Mathematics for Management (3)
- MATH 108 Intuitive Calculus with Applications (3)
- MATH 109 Calculus I B Part I (4)
- MATH 111 Calculus I (4)
- STAT 269 Introductory Statistics (3)
- STAT 291 Statistics for Math Sciences I (3)

B. Laboratory Science [3 hrs]

- BIOL 102 Bioscience (3)
- BIOL 106 Life Science for Elementary Education (3)(for elementary education majors only)
- BIOL 117 Field Biology of South Central Pennsylvania (3)
- BIOL 160 Molecular and Cellular Biology (3)
- BIOL 161 Animal Form and Function (3)
- BIOL 162 Plant Form and Function (3)
- BIOL 212 Horticulture (3)
- BIOL 258 Human Biology (4)
- BIOL 269 Ecology of South Florida in Winter (3)
- CHEM 102 Chemistry for Living (3)
- CHEM 105 General Chemistry I (4)

CHEM 110	Chemical Science (4)
ESS 201	Introduction to Earth and Space Science (3)
GEOL 152	Geology (3)
NUTR 110	Science and Nutrition (3)
PHSC 102	Physical Sciences for Elementary Education (4)(open only to elementary education majors)
PHYS 201	Introductory Physics I (4)
PHYS 211	General Physics I (4)

C. Science, Technology, and the World [3 hrs]

IDST 300	Science, Technology, and the World (3)
BIOL 216	Issues in Environmental Science
BIOL 218	Health Care in Developing Countries or the Developing World (3)
SOCI 334	Population and Environmental Issues (3)

2.2 Social Sciences and History [6 hrs]

To complete this requirement, students must take one course from two of the following categories:

A. Social Sciences

ANTH 101	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
ANTH 205	Anthropology of U.S. Cultural (3)
ANTH 305	Harrisburg Neighborhoods (3)
CRIJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice (3)
ECON 110	Economics of Social Issues (3)
ECON 117	Issues in Environmental Economics (3)
EDUC/PSYC 203	Educational Psychology (3)
HDFS 101	Foundations of Marriage and Family (3)
POLI 113	American Government (3)
POLI 213	Comparative Politics (3)
PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology (3)
SOCI 101	Principles of Sociology (3)
SOWK 120	Introduction to Social Welfare/Social Work (3)

B. European History

HIST 101	Western Civilization before 1500 (3)
HIST 102	Western Civilization 1500 to Present (3)
HIST 131	The Emergence of Modernity in the Western Imagination (3)
HIST 132	European Missionaries in Africa (3)
HIST 134	Social History of Medieval England (3)

C. United States History

HIST 141	United States History Survey to 1865 (3)
HIST 142	United States History Survey Since 1865 (3)
HIST 151	Wild, Wild West: Battles over the American West and the Western Image (3)
HIST 344	Civil War America (3)

2.3 Humanities and Arts [9 hrs]

A. Literature [3 hrs]

ENGL 122	Introduction to Poetry (3)
ENGL 124	Short Story (3)
ENGL 126	From Script to Screen (3)
ENGL 142	Selected Works of British Literature (3)
ENGL 144	Nineteenth Century British Women Writers (3)
ENGL 146	Writing of the Inklings (3)

- ENGL 148 Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
 ENGL 152 Selected Works of American Literature (3)
 ENGL 154 Ethnic Literature of the United States (3)
 ENGL 160 Introduction to World Literature (3)
 ENGL 162 Of Gods and Humans: Literature of the Ancient World (3)
 ENGL 164 Studies in the Bible as Literature (3)
 ENGL 172 Literature and the Life of Faith (3)
 ENGL 174 Literature and the Environment (3)
 ENGL 176 20th Century Women's Literature (3)
 ENGL 324 From Fiction to Cinema (3)
 GERM 301 Readings in German Literature I (3)
 GERM 302 Readings in German Literature II (3)
 SPAN 301 Topics in Latin American Literature (3)
 SPAN 311 Topics in Spanish Peninsular Literature (3)
- B. Philosophy [3 hrs]**
 PHIL 101 Problems of Philosophy (3)
 PHIL 102 History of Philosophy (3)
- C. Religion [3 hrs]**
 RELI 205 Religions of the World (3)
 RELI 206 Religions of the World for Majors (3)
 RELI 228 Judaism (3)
 RELI 229 Islam (3)
- D. Arts [3 hrs]**
 ART 103 Introduction to Drawing (3)
 ART 107 Introduction to Painting (3)
 ART 112 Introduction the Graphic Problem Solving (3)
 ART 130 Introduction to Computer Art (3)
 ART 136 Paper Processes (3)
 ART 143 Introduction to Watercolor (3)
 ART 171 Foundations of Drawing (3)
 ART 182 Color and Design (3)
 ART 211 Computer Art (3)
 ART 215 Painting I (3)
 ART 220 Ceramics I: Wheel Techniques (3)
 ART 221 Ceramics I: Handbuilding (3)
 ART 224 Textiles Surface Design (3)
 ART 232 Screen Printing (3)
 ART 234 Weaving Techniques (3)
 ART 237 Graphic Design I: Typography (3)
 ART 251 Photography I (3)
 ART 262 Construction and Assemblage
 ART 263 Carving (3)
 ART 282 Form, Space, and Media (3)
 ART 312 Digital Studio (3)
 ART 330 Intaglio and Relief Printmaking (3)
 ART 331 Lithography (3)
 ART 334 Wearable Art (3)
 ART 361 Sculpture I (3)
 ART 364 Casting (3)
 MUGE 101 Fundamentals of Music Theory (3)
 MUGE 203 Music Through Piano (3)
 MUGE 208 Music Through String Instruments (3)

MUGE 209	Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs (3)
MUGE 210	American Popular Music (3)
MUGE 213	Music Through Percussion (3)
MUGE 217	Music Through Singing (3)
MUGE 218	Music Through Guitar (3)
MUGE 219	Music Through the Recorder (3)
MUGE 223	Jazz Improvisation (3)
MUGE 224	Songwriting for Beginners (3)
MUGE 225	Guitar for the Church Musician (3)
THEA 110	Introduction to Theatre (3)
THEA 112	Introduction to Dance (3)
THEA 120	Introduction to Acting (3)
THEA 150	Introduction to Technical Theatre and Design (3)
THEA 363	Theatre for Social Change (3)

2.4 Languages and Cultures [9 hrs]

To complete this requirement, students need to take one of the following options:

- a. Three semesters of the same language, reaching the intermediate level of that language
- OR
- b. Two semesters of the same language plus an approved cross-cultural study

NOTE: Students who complete the Urban Semester Program at the Philadelphia campus are granted a waiver of the cross-cultural requirements.

FREN 101	Fundamentals of French I (3)
FREN 102	Fundamentals of French II (3)
FREN 201	Intermediate French (3)
GERM 101	Fundamentals of German I (3)
GERM 102	Fundamentals of German II (3)
GERM 201	Intermediate German (3)
GREK 205	Fundamentals of Greek I (3)
GREK 206	Fundamentals of Greek II (3)
GREK 305	Intermediate Greek (3)
HEBR 205	Fundamentals of Hebrew I (3)
HEBR 206	Fundamentals of Hebrew II (3)
HEBR 305	Intermediate Hebrew (3)
LATN 101	Fundamentals of Latin I (3)
LATN 102	Fundamentals of Latin II (3)
LATN 201	Intermediate Latin (3)
SPAN 101	Fundamentals of Spanish I (3)
SPAN 102	Fundamentals of Spanish II (3)
SPAN 201	Intermediate Spanish (3)
IDCC 260	Cross-Cultural Study (3) (locations to be announced; vary by academic year)

2.5 NonWestern Studies [2 or 3 hrs]

IDNW 200	NonWestern Studies (3)
ANTH 221	Native American Cultures (3)
ANTH 381	Topics in Non-Western Cultural (3)
ARTH 310	Topics in NonWestern Art (3)
HIST 171	World Civilization: Bronze Age to 1500 (3)
HIST 172	World Civilization: 1500-Present (3)
HIST 372	Modern Civilizations of Asia (3)
HIST 379	History of the Middle East (3)
HIST 383	South Africa: Struggle for Freedom (3)

- MUMH 338 Studies in Ethnic Music (2)
- PHIL 318 Asian Philosophy (3)
- POLI 219 African Politics (3)
- POLI 222 Politics in Latin America (3)
- RELI 321 Christianity in Latin America (3)
- RELI 329 Christianity in Africa (3)
- RELI 332 Christianity in Asia (3)
- RELI 333 Religions of India (3)
- RELI 334 Religions of China and Japan (3)
- SPAN 210 Latin American Plays of Protest (3)
- SPAN 302 Culture and Identity in Latin America (3)

AREA THREE: Christian Faith

3.1 Knowledge of the Bible [3 hrs.]

- BIBL 201 Encountering the Bible (3)
- BIBL 202 Encountering the Bible for majors (3)
- BIBL 203 Encountering the Old Testament (Hebrew Bible) (3)
- BIBL 204 Encountering the New Testament (3)

3.2 Christian Beliefs [3 hrs]

- THEO 205 Introduction to Christian Theology (3)
- THEO 207 African-American Theology (3)
- THEO 209 Anabaptist Theology (3)
- THEO 211 Brethren in Christ Life and Thought (3)
- THEO 213 Pentecostal Theology (3)
- THEO 215 Roman Catholic Theology (3)
- THEO 217 Wesleyan-Holiness Theology (3)
- THEO 219 Theology and Christian Unity (3)
- THEO 221 Faith and Society (3)
- THEO 223 Global Christian Theology (3)
- THEO 225/URBS 319 Practical Theology of the Urban Church (3)
- THEO 227 Theology, Violence and Non-Violence (3)

AREA FOUR: Social Responsibility

4.1 Health and Physical Fitness [3 hrs]

To complete this requirement, students must take PER 101 Introduction to Wellness plus an additional PHED course listed below.

- PHED 101 Introduction to Wellness (2)
- PHED 102 Intercollegiate Sports (1)
- PHED 103 Adapted Physical Education (1)
- PHED 104 Swimming for the Non-Swimmer (1)
- PHED 105 Intermediate Swimming (1)
- PHED 106 Aquatic Aerobics (1)
- PHED 107 Beginning Racquetball (1)
- PHED 108 Intermediate Racquetball (1)
- PHED 109 Beginning Volleyball (1)
- PHED 110 Intermediate Volleyball (1)

PHED 111 Advanced Volleyball (1)
 PHED 112 Beginning Tennis (1)
 PHED 113 Intermediate Tennis (1)
 PHED 114 Square Dance (1)
 PHED 115 Skiing/Snowboarding (1)
 PHED 116 Intermediate Skiing (1)
 PHED 117 Self Defense (1)
 PHED 118 Expressive, Creative Movement (1)
 PHED 119 Aerobics (1)
 PHED 120 Golf, Badminton (1)
 PHED 121 Soccer and Softball (1)
 PHED 122 Flag Football and Basketball (1)
 PHED 123 Strength Training and Conditioning (1)
 PHED 124 Safety and R.A.D. Systems for Women (1)
 PHED 125 Equestrian Skills (1)
 PHED 126 Tennis and Volleyball (1)
 PHED 127 Aquatics
 PHED 128 Developmental Gymnastics/Recreational & Rhythmical Activities
 ADED 114 Canoeing (1)
 ADED 137 Challenge Course Experience (1)
 ADED 139 Wilderness Encounter (3)
 ADED 182 Rock Climbing

4.2 Engaging the Pluralistic World: Interdisciplinary Perspectives [3 hrs]

To fulfill the Engaging the Pluralistic World requirement, students must take one course from one of the following categories.

A. Ethics in the Modern World

BIBL 293 The Bible and Social Ethics (3)
 BIBL 315 Environmental Ethics (3)
 BIOL 325 Bioethics (3)
 CRIJ 348 Ethics in the Criminal Justice System (3)
 EDUC 356 Moral Education (3)
 EDUC 357 Education Public Policy (3)
 HDFS 340 Ethics and the Family (3)
 IDET 300 Ethics (3)
 PHIL 325 Moral Problems (3)
 PHIL 382 Ethics (3)
 POLI 330 Terrorism (3)
 SOCI 335 Social Conflict, Justice and Peacemaking (3)

B. World Views

IDWV 300 World Views (3)
 PHIL 345 Philosophy of Religion (3)
 URBS 301 World-View Perspectives of City Life (3)

C. Pluralism in Contemporary Society

IDPL 300 Pluralism (3)
 EDUC 354 Comparative and International Education (3)
 EDUC 355 Education and American Pluralism (3)
 HDFS/PSYC/SOCI/WOMS 342 Women and Men in American Society (3)
 HDFS 383 Topics in Multi-Cultural Families (3)
 HDFS 386 Family Ethnicity and Human Services (3)

HIST 351 Native American History (3)
HIST 352 African American History Since 1865 (3)
HIST 353 Immigrant America (3)
HIST 355 United States Urban History (3)
HIST 392 Women and Gender in History (3)
HPED 329 Sport in Society (3)
POLI 320 Ethnic and Racial Politics in America (3)
POLI 338 Religion and American Politics (3)
POLI 360 Special Topics in Pluralism: Women, Family and Politics (3)
RELI 340 New Religious Movements (3)
RELI 355 Religion in the United States (3)
SOC 341 Religion and Society (3)
SOC 356 Race, Ethnicity and Gender (3)
SOC/HDFS 384 Families in America (3)
SOWK 365 Human Diversity and Social Interaction (3)

Transfer Equivalencies

REQUIREMENT	EQUIVALENCY	LEVEL
First Year Seminar	3 credits English composition (Awarded if 2 or more full-time semesters of college have been completed.)	100
Created and Called for Community	Messiah College course	100
Oral Communication	3 credits public speaking (e.g. speech, relational communication)	100-200
Mathematical Sciences	3 credits mathematical science beyond college algebra (Some majors may have specific course requirements.)	100-200
Laboratory Science	3-4 credits laboratory science (e.g. biology, chemistry, physics, geology containing a lab component. Some majors may have specific course requirements.)	100-200
Science, Technology, & the World	Messiah College course	200
Social Science	3 credits introductory psychology, sociology, anthropology, economics, or political science	100-200
History	3 credits European or United States history	100-200
Literature	3 credits literature (e.g. American writers, British writers, Shakespeare, short stories, poetry)	200
Philosophy / Religion	3 credits philosophy or religion (e.g. introduction or history of philosophy)	100-200
Arts	3 credits art, music, or theatre (Must have a studio component. e.g. drawing, photography, singing, acting)	100-200
Languages & Culture	3 semesters of same modern language	100-200
Non-Western Studies	3 credits in non-western studies (e.g. Asian, Latin American, Native American, African studies)	200
Biblical Knowledge	Messiah College course	100-200
Christian Beliefs	Messiah College course	200-300
Physical Education	Introduction to Wellness plus an activity courses	100
Ethics in the Modern World or World Views or Pluralism in Contemporary Society	Messiah College course	300-400

NOTE: Some majors have specifically defined courses that meet both a major and a general education requirement. Consult the current Messiah College catalog for more information.