

General Education Requirements Goals of General Education

East Tennessee State University's faculty and staff believe every student should experience certain benefits of an undergraduate education, regardless of his or her chosen field of study. ETSU's general education program aims to enable and encourage students to:

- apply the standards of reasoned argument to what they read and hear, write and say;
- engage in lifelong learning and personal growth;
- gain greater insight into their lives and the world in which they live;
- resolve conflicts nonviolently and solve problems creatively, often in collaboration with others;
- appreciate cultural diversity and respect people with viewpoints different from their own;
- be responsible, enlightened, active citizens in their communities and the world beyond their communities;
- find joy, meaning, and fulfillment in their lives and help others do the same.

To gain these benefits, students need a foundation of skills and knowledge which they can apply at work, in their personal lives, and in their communities. By successfully completing ETSU's general education requirements and other graduation requirements, students enhance their proficiency in reading, writing, oral communication, mathematics, and using information technology. They become acquainted with ideas, information, and modes of inquiry which they can draw upon in every area of their lives. In addition, students learn how to perceive relationships between different fields of study.

General Education Course Requirements

ETSU's general education requirements are described below. These requirements apply to all undergraduate students pursuing a baccalaureate degree. Many majors and degree programs require students to take specific courses to fulfill general education requirements. Students should consult the catalog and their advisors regarding specific general education requirements applicable to their majors and degree programs.

COMMUNICATION

9 credits, consisting of 6 credits of written composition and 3 credits of oral communication.

Written Composition. Complete both of the following:

ENGL 1010 Critical Reading and Expository Writing . 3 credits
ENGL 1020 Critical Thinking and Argumentation 3 credits

NOTE: Students eligible to enroll in ENGL 1010 must do so during their first term at ETSU. Students who take Developmental Studies Writing (DSPW) courses should enroll in ENGL 1010 the next term after completing DSPW 0800.

Oral Communication. Complete one of the following:

SPCH 1300 General Speech 3 credits
SPCH 2300 Public Speaking 3 credits
SPCH 2320 Argumentation and Debate 3 credits

NOTE: When one of the oral communication courses listed above is completed to meet the general education core requirement, that course will not count toward ETSU's oral communication-intensive requirement. (See "Other Graduation Requirements," below.) Any additional course from this list that is completed will count toward the oral communication-intensive requirement.

HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

9 credits, consisting of 3 credits of literature, 3 credits of fine arts, and 3 credits of humanities electives.

Literature. Complete one of the following:

ENGL 2030 Literary Heritage 3 credits
ENGL 2110 American Literature I 3 credits
ENGL 2120 American Literature II 3 credits
ENGL 2210 British Literature I 3 credits
ENGL 2220 British Literature II 3 credits
ENGL 2330 World Literature 3 credits
ENGL 2430 European Literature 3 credits

Fine Arts. Complete one of the following:

ARTH 2010 Art History Survey I 3 credits
ARTH 2020 Art History Survey II 3 credits
HUMT 2310 Arts and Ideas I 3 credits
HUMT 2320 Arts and Ideas II 3 credits
MUSC 1030 Introduction to Music 3 credits
MUSC 1035 History of Jazz 3 credits
DANC 3500 Dance as Human Experience 3 credits
THEA 1030 Introduction to Theatre 3 credits

Humanities Electives. Complete one of the following:

ENGL 3150 Literature, Ethics, and Values 3 credits
ENGL 3280 Mythology 3 credits
ENTC 3020 Technology and Society 3 credits
HIST 1110 World History and Civilization
to 1500 3 credits
HIST 1120 World History and Civilization
Since 1500 3 credits
PHIL 1030 Introduction to Philosophy 3 credits
PHIL 2020 Introduction to Ethics 3 credits
PHIL 2040 Philosophy as Conversation 3 credits
RELI 2210 Introduction to the Study of Religion 3 credits
PHIL 2640 Science and the Modern World 3 credits

SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

6 credits, consisting of two of the following:

ECON 1050	Economics and Society or		PSYC 1310	Introduction to Psychology	3 credits
ECON 2210	Principles of Economics I	3 credits	SOAA 1020	Introduction to Sociology	3 credits
GEOG 1012	Introduction to Cultural Geography	3 credits	SOAA 1240	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3 credits
HDAL 2310	Developmental Lifespan Psychology	3 credits	SOAA 2020	Social Problems	3 credits
PSCI 1110	Political Life	3 credits	SRVL 1020	Introduction to Service-Learning	3 credits
PSCI 1120	Introduction to American Government	3 credits	WMST 2010	Introduction to Women's Studies	3 credits

NOTE: Students may count either ECON 1050 or ECON 2210 toward the Social and Behavioral Sciences requirement, but not both.

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6 credits, consisting of both of the following:

HIST 2010	The United States to 1877	3 credits	HIST 2020	The United States Since 1877	3 credits
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NOTE: HIST 2030 History of Tennessee (3 credits) may be substituted for 3 credits of United States History.

N ATURAL SCIENCES

8 credits, consisting of two of the following (required labs are shown with the lecture numbers):

ASTR 1010	Astronomy I	4 credits	PHYS 2010/11	General Physics I-Non-Calculus	4 credits
ASTR 1020	Astronomy II	4 credits	PHYS 2020/21	General Physics II-Non-Calculus	4 credits
ASTR 1035	Life in the Universe	4 credits	PHYS 2110	Technical Physics I -	
BIOL 1110/11	Biology for Science Majors I	4 credits		Calculus Based	5 credits
BIOL 1120/21	Biology for Science Majors II	4 credits	PHYS 2120	Technical Physics II -	
BIOL 1130/31	Biology for Science Majors III	4 credits		Calculus Based	5 credits
CHEM 1110/11	General Chemistry I	4 credits	Open to nonscience majors only:		
CHEM 1120/21	General Chemistry II	4 credits	BIOL 1010/11	Biology for Non-majors I	4 credits
GEOG 1110	Earth Science: Weather and		BIOL 1020/21	Biology for Non-majors II	4 credits
	Climate	4 credits	CHEM 1000	Chemistry and Well Being	4 credits
GEOG 1120	Earth Science: Landforms and		CHEM 1030	Introduction to Chemistry Survey	4 credits
	Processes	4 credits	PHYS 1030	Introduction to Physics Survey	4 credits
GEOLOG 1040	Physical Geology	4 credits			
GEOLOG 1050	Historical Geology	4 credits			
HSCI 2010/11	Anatomy & Physiology I	4 credits			
HSCI 2020/21	Anatomy & Physiology II	4 credits			

M ATHEMATICS

3-4 credits, consisting of one of the following:

MATH 1530	Probability and Statistics-	
	Non-Calculus	3 credits
MATH 1840	Analytic Geometry and	
	Differential Calculus	3 credits
MATH 1910	Calculus I	4 credits

NOTE: Students eligible to enroll in one of these math courses must do so during their first calendar year of enrollment or prior to accumulating 33 semester credits at ETSU. Students who take Developmental Studies Math (DSEM) courses should complete the general education math requirement after completing DSEM courses and must do so in the next calendar year or prior to accumulating 33 more semester credits at ETSU.