

## GENERAL STUDIES PROGRAM

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The General Studies Program (GSP) is a full-year program for entering freshmen, offering a unique learning environment where faculty, staff, and peer leaders provide guidance and support to ensure the students' academic success. The GSP satisfies first-year academic requirements and is geared to students' academic and career goals. Program benefits include a low student-advisor ratio, a two-semester critical-thinking seminar taught by GSP advisors, learning communities, a prescribed curriculum, small classes in specified courses, and a nationally certified peer tutoring program. Following the successful completion of the general studies year, students enter one of the University's six undergraduate colleges with sophomore status in a specified major. All majors have defined entrance requirements; therefore, beginning in September, GSP advisors work closely with students to guide them and keep them aware of their intended majors' entrance requirements. GSP students should note that sophomore entrance into majors in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences, the School of Architecture, and the College of Engineering may require an additional semester to complete required freshman-level course work. In the case of the Bouvé College of Health Sciences, entrance is extremely competitive because of space limitations and restrictions on specific majors. If the student's ultimate goal is to major in one of these areas, we strongly encourage the student to consider all enrollment options before deciding on the General Studies Program.

### Academic Progression Standards

GSP students must meet the following criteria to successfully transition to sophomore standing:

1. 2.000 GPA (entrance requirements to individual programs vary)
2. 28 semester hours of credit (32 recommended)
3. Successful completion of college/major transition requirements listed below.

### College of Arts and Sciences

- Requirements are major-specific. Students will be advised individually.

### College of Business Administration

- Cumulative GPA of 2.800 or higher.
- Successful completion of the following core courses with a cumulative GPA of 2.800 or higher:
 

CBA U101	Introduction to Business	4 SH
ECN U115	Principles of Macroeconomics	4 SH
ENG U111	College Writing	4 SH
- MTH U130 or higher with grade of B or higher (a grade of C or higher is required in MTH U131). Students applying to the Bachelor of Science in International Business (BSIB) program will be advised individually.

### College of Computer and Information Science

- Requirements are major-specific. Students will be advised individually.

### College of Criminal Justice

- Cumulative GPA of 2.000 or higher.
- Minimum of one criminal justice course.

### Bouvé College of Health Sciences

- Requirements are major-specific. Entrance to some majors is restricted or affected by space availability. Students will be advised individually.

### College of Engineering

- Requirements are major-specific. Students will be advised individually.

*Note:* Major/college requirements are subject to change. GSP students work with the GSP advisors to receive the most up-to-date and accurate information.

### Academic Warning

At the close of the first semester, GSP students with a GPA below 2.000 and/or earned semester hours below 12 receive an academic warning.

### Academic Probation

At the close of the second semester, GSP students with a cumulative GPA below 1.800 and/or semester hours below 24 are placed on academic probation.

### University Withdrawal, Low Scholastic Performance

At the close of a third academic semester, GSP students with a cumulative GPA below 2.000 and/or earned semester hours for the term below 12 are withdrawn from the University for low scholastic performance.

## General Studies Program

### ARTS AND SCIENCES/UNDECLARED TRACK

A cumulative GPA of 2.000 or higher with a minimum of 28 semester hours of earned credit is required (32 semester hours of earned credit is recommended). Specific program requirements vary. Consult your advisor for more information.

#### English Requirement

Complete the following two courses:

ENG U110	Introductory Writing	4 SH
ENG U111	College Writing	4 SH

#### Mathematics Requirement

Select math course(s) applicable to your major program of study. Calculus is required for most science programs; algebra may be sufficient for nonscience programs. Consult your advisor for more information.

#### ALGEBRA

MTH U115	Mathematical Thinking	4 SH
or MTH U110	College Algebra	4 SH
with MTH U115	Mathematical Thinking	4 SH

#### CALCULUS

MTH U121	Precalculus	4 SH
MTH U131	Calculus for Business and Economics	4 SH
MTH U141	Calculus 1	4 SH
MTH U142	Calculus 2	4 SH
MTH U151	Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 1	4 SH
MTH U152	Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 2	4 SH

#### Strategic Thinking and Learning

Complete the following two courses:

INT U101	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 1	1 SH
INT U102	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 2	1 SH

#### NU Core Courses

Complete four major-appropriate NU Core courses. Consult your advisor for a list of approved courses.

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRACK

A cumulative GPA of 2.000 or higher with a minimum of 28 semester hours of earned credit is required (32 semester hours of earned credit is recommended). Consult your advisor for more information.

#### English Requirement

Complete the following two courses:

ENG U110	Introductory Writing	4 SH
ENG U111	College Writing	4 SH

#### Mathematics Requirement

A minimum of MTH U115 is required. Students placed into MTH U110 must complete both MTH U110 and MTH U115.

MTH U115	Mathematical Thinking	4 SH
or MTH U110	College Algebra	4 SH
and MTH U115	Mathematical Thinking	4 SH

#### Strategic Thinking and Learning

Complete the following two courses:

INT U101	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 1	1 SH
INT U102	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 2	1 SH

#### Criminal Justice

Complete the following two courses:

CJ U101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	4 SH
CJ U102	Ethics, Values, and Diversity	4 SH

#### NU Core Courses or Arts and Sciences Courses Approved for Criminal Justice

#### REQUIREMENTS

Complete two courses from the following list or from the NU Core arts/humanities level 1 domain, as described on page 42.

CS U101	Computer Science and Its Applications	4 SH
PSY U101	Foundations of Psychology	4 SH
SOC U101	Introduction to Sociology	4 SH

### BUSINESS TRACK

A cumulative GPA of 2.800 or higher with a minimum of 28 semester hours of earned credit is required (32 semester hours of earned credit is recommended). Students applying to the Bachelor of Science in International Business (BSIB) program will be advised individually. Consult your advisor for more information.

Specified courses and GPA are required for all business programs. A cumulative GPA of 2.800 or higher is required in CBA U101, ECN U115, and ENG U111.

#### English Requirement

Complete the following two courses:

ENG U110	Introductory Writing	4 SH
ENG U111	College Writing	4 SH

#### Mathematics Requirement

Complete one of the following courses. Students taking MTH U130 must earn a grade of B or better; students taking MTH U131 must earn a grade of C or better:

MTH U130	College Math for Business and Economics	4 SH
MTH U131	Calculus for Business and Economics	4 SH

#### Economics Course

Complete the following course:

ECN U115	Principles of Macroeconomics	4 SH
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**Strategic Thinking and Learning**

Complete the following two courses:

INT U101	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 1	1 SH
INT U102	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 2	1 SH

**Management Course**

Complete the following course:

CBA U101	Introduction to Business	4 SH
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**NU Core Courses****ARTS/HUMANITIES LEVEL 1**

Complete one course from the NU Core arts/humanities level 1 domain, as described on page 42.

**SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY LEVEL 1**

Complete one course from the NU Core science/technology level 1 domain, as described on page 42.

**HEALTH SCIENCES/TECHNOLOGY TRACK**

A minimum of 28 semester hours of earned credit is required (32 semester hours of earned credit is recommended). Specific program requirements vary or are restricted. Consult your advisor for more information.

**English Requirement**

Complete the following two courses:

ENG U110	Introductory Writing	4 SH
ENG U111	College Writing	4 SH

**Mathematics Requirement**

Select math course(s) applicable to your major program of study. Calculus is required for most science programs; algebra is sufficient for only a few specific programs. Consult your advisor for more information.

**CALCULUS**

MTH U121	Precalculus	4 SH
MTH U141	Calculus 1	4 SH
MTH U142	Calculus 2	4 SH
MTH U151	Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 1	4 SH
MTH U152	Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 2	4 SH
MTH U240	Intensive Calculus for Engineers	6 SH
MTH U241	Calculus 1 for Science and Engineering	4 SH
MTH U243	Calculus 2 for Engineering Technology	4 SH

**ALGEBRA**

MTH U115	Mathematical Thinking	4 SH
or MTH U110	College Algebra	4 SH
with MTH U115	Mathematical Thinking	4 SH

**Strategic Thinking and Learning**

Complete the following two courses:

INT U101	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 1	1 SH
INT U102	Strategic Thinking and Learning Seminar 2	1 SH

**Science Requirement**

Complete two science course(s) with corresponding lab(s) applicable to your major program of study. Consult your advisor for more information.

**BIOLOGY**

BIO U111	General Biology 1	4 SH
with BIO U112	Lab for BIO U111	1 SH
BIO U113	General Biology 2	4 SH
with BIO U114	Lab for BIO U113	1 SH
BIO U117	Integrated Anatomy and Physiology 1	4 SH
with BIO U118	Lab for BIO U117	1 SH
BIO U119	Integrated Anatomy and Physiology 2	4 SH
with BIO U120	Lab for BIO U119	1 SH

**CHEMISTRY**

CHM U101	General Chemistry for Health Sciences	4 SH
with CHM U102	Lab for CHM U101	1 SH
CHM U104	Organic Chemistry for Health Sciences	4 SH
with CHM U105	Lab for CHM U104	1 SH
CHM U151	General Chemistry for Engineers	4 SH
CHM U211	General Chemistry 1	4 SH
with CHM U212	Lab for CHM U211	1 SH
CHM U214	General Chemistry 2	4 SH
with CHM U215	Lab for CHM U214	1 SH

**COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCE**

CS U200	Discrete Structures	4 SH
CS U211	Fundamentals of Computer Science 1	4 SH
with CS U212	Lab for CS U211	1 SH

**PHYSICS**

PHY U145	Physics for Life Sciences 1	4 SH
with PHY U146	Lab for PHY U145	1 SH
PHY U151	Physics for Engineering 1	4 SH
with PHY U152	Lab for PHY U151	1 SH
PHY U161	Physics 1	4 SH
with PHY U162	Lab for PHY U161	1 SH

**PSYCHOLOGY**

PSY U101	Foundations of Psychology	4 SH
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**NU Core Courses or Major-Specific Courses**

Complete two NU Core courses or major-specific courses applicable to your major program of study. Consult your advisor for a list of approved courses.