

A STUDENT'S GUIDE TO THE UNIVERSITY STUDIES PROGRAM (USP)

THE UNIVERSITY REQUIRES A **MINIMUM** OF 41 CREDITS IN USP APPROVED COURSEWORK

The Foundation of Your Education at UW Oshkosh

Students in all majors complete the USP. Since these courses will help to prepare you for advanced study at the university as well as life after graduation we encourage you to choose courses that satisfy or enhance major or degree requirements.

As you EXPLORE, you have choices. You will select courses in three categories: Nature (XM)/(XL), Culture (XC), and Society (XS) and encounter three intense and distinct "EXPLORE" courses called "QUEST." In the "QUEST" series students investigate three Signature Questions. The USP is completed through an advanced writing course that will "CONNECT" the Signature Questions.

SIGNATURE QUESTIONS

You will take one QUEST course focusing on each of the following UW Oshkosh Signature Questions:

- 1. Sustainability:** How do people understand and create a more sustainable world?
- 2. Civic Learning:** How do people understand and engage in community life?
- 3. Intercultural Knowledge*:** How do people understand and bridge cultural differences?

*These courses also satisfy one of the following requirements: Ethnic Studies (ES) or Non-Western Culture (NW)

NOTE: Courses in the QUEST series satisfy credit requirements in the EXPLORE category below

QUEST I 1 st Semester First Year Experience (FYE) Small learning community w/peer mentor	QUEST II 2 nd Semester Ethical Reasoning Intense investigations of ethical dilemmas	QUEST III 3 rd or 4 th Semester Community Experience Guided by Alumni Mentors
Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)	Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)	Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)
Paired** with Quest Writing OR Quest Speaking	Paired** with Quest Writing OR Quest Speaking	
Signature Question: 1 2 3 (ES or NW)	Signature Question: 1 2 3 (ES or NW)	Signature Question: 1 2 3 (ES or NW)
A complete list of QUEST courses can be found at www.uwosh.edu/usp **Students that have prior credit for writing and/or speaking take an unpaired QUEST course		

Writing & Speaking

6 CREDITS

QUEST Writing: WBIS188 or ENGL110 (H) _____ 3 credits

Remedial English may also be required based on English placement test score

QUEST Speaking: COMM111 or COMM112 (H) _____ 3 credits

EXPLORE (Remember to include your QUEST courses in the appropriate area below)

32 CREDITS

Nature (XM & XL) 11 credits

Consider math placement test results, major and degree requirements to determine appropriate course(s)

Remedial math may also be required based on math placement test score

Mathematics (XM): _____ 3 credits

Laboratory Sciences (XL): _____ 8 credits

Culture (XC) choose 3 courses from at least 2 different departments 9 credits

Society (XS) choose 3 courses from at least 2 different departments 9 credits

Ethnic Studies (ES) / Non-Western Culture (NW)*

*One of these is met by the Intercultural Knowledge QUEST course; however you must fulfill both 3 credits

_____ (ES)

_____ (NW)

CONNECT

3 CREDITS

ENGL300 Connect: Advanced Writing (XK)

4th or 5th semester (after QUEST III is completed)

COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE (BSW) Bachelor of Social Work Degree Requirements

This planning guide is designed to help you understand your degree requirements for the Bachelor of Social Work degree. It is your responsibility to understand these requirements.

For an official statement of your individual progress to degree and for additional University requirements please use Titan Web to access your STAR (degree audit). Always select "Request new STAR" when printing your STAR. For assistance in understanding your STAR please contact the Undergraduate Advising Resource Center (424-1268) or the PAL office in Scott Hall.

The following are additional and/or specific requirements for the BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK degree that might not be met by completion of the University Studies Program. Refer to your STAR for a complete list of eligible courses for each category.

Statistics: 3 credits required. Remedial Math may be required.

Choose one:

PBIS 189, Math 109, Math 201, Math 301, Psych 203, Soc 281, CJ 281, Econ 210

(Please note some of these courses may have prerequisites)

Mathematics (XM) of USP will be satisfied by taking one of the following: PBIS189, Math109, Math 201.

Social Science (SS): Must include the completion of Political Science 105

Additional Degree Requirement:

Physical Education 105 - 2 credits required

Introductory course work to be taken prior to admission:

Note: Earn a grade of "C" or better in SW 167, 220 and 298 and a minimum GPA of 2.75 across these courses. There are additional requirements for admission to the program; please consult with an advisor. Admission to the program is in the Spring term only.

93-167 Introduction to Social Work 3 credits

93-220 Family Life Cycle Transitions 3 credits

Prerequisite: Declared SW major and 93-167

93-298 Interpersonal Skills 3 credits

Prerequisite: Declared SW major and 93-167

May be taken concurrently with SW 220

93-105 SW Ethics/Diverse Society 3 credits

Recommended prior to admission to the major.

Prerequisite: Declared SW major/ instructor consent