

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

THE UNIVERSITY REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF 38 CREDITS IN USP APPROVED COURSEWORK

The Foundation of Your Education at UW Oshkosh

Students in all majors complete general education courses through the University Studies Program. These general education courses will help to prepare you for advanced study at the university as well as life after graduation. We encourage you to choose courses to satisfy and enhance major and/or degree requirements.

The "QUEST" series will provide valuable experiences in addition to content courses that will satisfy credit requirements in the EXPLORE categories listed below. The University Studies Program is designed to also explore the following signature questions. Ideally students will take a course in each of the following:

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 Global Citizenship (GC)*

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

QUEST I 1st Semester First Year Experience (FYE) Connecting to Campus	QUEST II 2nd Semester First Year Experience (FYE) – cont. Planning your Future	QUEST III 3rd or 4th Semester Community Experience
Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)	Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)	Explore Course: _____ (XL or XC or XS)
Paired with: Writing OR Speaking	Taken concurrently with: Writing OR Speaking	
Signature Question: _____	Signature Question: _____	Signature Question: _____

WRITING & SPEAKING

Writing: WRT 188 or WRT 110 (Honors) _____ 3 credits

**Developmental English may also be required based on English placement test score.*

Speaking: COMM 111 or COMM 112 (Honors) _____ 3 credits

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

Nature (XM & XL)

**Consider Math placement test score, major, and degree requirements to determine appropriate course(s).*

Developmental Math **may also be required based on Math placement test score. (Ex. Math 100, 101, and/or 103)*

Mathematics (XM): _____ 3 credits

Laboratory Sciences (XL): _____ 8 credits

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

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

Ethnic Studies (ES) AND Global Citizenship (GC)

**These requirements can be met with select Culture (XC) or Society (XS) courses.*

_____ (ES) _____ (GC)

CONNECT: ADVANCED WRITING (XK)

3 credits

WRT 288 (Quest series students; complete after Q3) **OR** WRT 287 (Transfer/Re-entry students) **OR** WRT 310 (Honors)



COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE

(BS) Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements

This planning guide is designed to help you understand your degree requirements for the Bachelor of Science 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 Academic Requirements (degree audit). For assistance in understanding your requirements please contact the Undergraduate Advising Resource Center (424-1268).

The following are additional and/or specific requirements for the BACHELOR OF SCIENCE degree that may not be met by completion of the USP. Refer to your degree audit for a complete list of eligible courses for each category.

Communication 111 – required for all BS students

Humanities (HU): All **Culture (XC)** courses in the USP are considered Humanities.

English literature: _____

One course from at least two of the following areas: a) Fine Art (Art, Music, Theatre, RTF), b) Philosophy/ Religious Studies, c) Foreign Language.

Area 1: _____ Area 2: _____

One additional Humanities course from any area: _____

Social Science (SS) All **Society (XS)** courses in the USP are considered Social Science.

History course: _____

One course must be from a department other than History. For example: Anthropology, Criminal Justice, Economics, Environmental Studies, Geography, International Studies, Political Science, Public Administration, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, or Women and Gender Studies.

Non-History course: _____

Two additional courses from any department: _____

Mathematics: One math course beyond USP. Your major may require a specific course. Consult with an advisor for options.

Higher level Math course: _____

Natural Science (NS): Four courses are required. All **Nature (XL)** courses in the USP are considered Natural Science. The following criteria must be met.

Two courses from the same academic department where the first course is the pre-requisite of the second creating a sequence:
www.uwosh.edu/advising/ Pathway: >For Students >Planning Sheets >College of Letters and Science >Laboratory Science Pairings

_____ AND _____

One course from a different academic department than the one chosen above:

One course that is from a third academic department OR a course for which the one listed above is the pre-requisite OR a math course that is in addition to the courses chosen as your higher level math course in the Mathematics area:
