

FIU UNIVERSITY CORE CURRICULUM

The UCC is required of freshmen admitted to FIU beginning Summer B 2024 and transfer students beginning Fall 2024.

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE (1 course required)

This course provides a forum for integrating the FIU experience and for discussing issues promoting, intellectual, personal, academic, social growth and success as a member of the University community. All students entering the University with **fewer than 30 semester hours** are required to take this one-credit course. High-school-earned college credit does not exempt students from this requirement.

___SLS 1501 First Year Experience (1 cr)

COMMUNICATION (2 courses required; one from Group One and one from Group Two.)

Communication courses afford students the ability to communicate effectively, including the ability to write clearly and engage in public speaking. These are Gordon Rule courses; a grade of "C" or higher is required.

Communication – Group One (State Required):

___ENC 1101 Writing and Rhetoric I (3 cr)

Communication – Group Two (FIU Required):

___ENC 1102 Writing and Rhetoric II (3 cr)*

HUMANITIES (2 courses required; one from Group One and one from Group Two.)

Humanities courses afford students the ability to think critically through the mastering of subjects concerned with human culture, especially literature, history, art, music, and philosophy.

Humanities – Group One (State Required):

One course must be from the following list.

___ARH 2000 Exploring Art (3 cr) – GL
___HUM 1020 Introduction to Humanities (3 cr)
___LIT 1000 Introduction to Literature (3 cr)
___MUL 1010 Music Literature/Music Appreciation (3 cr)
___PHI 2010 Introduction to Philosophy (3 cr)* – GRW
___THE 2000 Theatre Appreciation (3 cr) – GL

Humanities – Group Two (FIU Required):

One course must be from the following list.

___AFH 2000 African Civilizations (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___AMH 2041 Origins of American Civilization (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___AMH 2042 Modern American Civilization (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___ARC 2701 History of Design from Antiquity to the Middle Ages (3 cr) – GRW
___ENG 2012 Approaches to Literature (3 cr)* – GRW
___EUH 2011 Western Civ.: Early European Civilization (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___EUH 2021 Western Civ.: Medieval to Modern Europe (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___EUH 2030 Western Civ.: Europe in the Modern Era (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___HUM 2236 History of Ideas (3 cr)* – GRW (**HUM 3306 PRIOR TO FALL 2025**)
___IDS 2301 How We Know What We Know (3 cr)* – GRW/GL (**IDS 3309 PRIOR TO FALL 2025**)
___LAH 2020 Latin American Civilization (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___PHI 2600 Introduction to Ethics (3 cr)* – GRW
___POT 2010 Ancient & Medieval Political Theory (3 cr) – GRW (**POT 3013 PRIOR TO FALL 2025**)
___REL 2011 Religion: Analysis and Interpretation (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___SPC 2237 Rhetorical Comm.: A Theory Civil Discourse (3 cr) – GRW (**SPC 3230 PRIOR TO FALL 2025**)
___SPC 2270 Rhetoric & Public Address (3 cr) – GRW (**SPC 3271 PRIOR TO FALL 2025**)
___WOH 2001 World Civilization (3 cr) – GRW/GL
___WST 3120 Global Women's Writing (3 cr) – GRW**/GL
**WST 3120 is GRW effective Fall 2022 and beyond

MATHEMATICS (2 courses required; one from Group One and one from Group Two.)

Mathematics courses afford students a mastery of foundational mathematical and computation models and methods by applying such models and methods in problem solving.

Mathematics courses are Gordon Rule courses; a grade of "C" or higher is required.

Any student who successfully completes a mathematics course in Group Two for which a course in Group One is an immediate prerequisite shall be considered to have completed Group One and may take two mathematics courses from Group Two.

Mathematics – Group One (State Required):

One course must be from the following list.

___MAC 1105 College Algebra (3 cr)
___MAC 2311 Calculus I (4 cr)*#
___MGF 1130 Mathematical Thinking (3 cr)
___STA 2023 Statistics for Business & Economics (3 cr)^

Mathematics – Group Two (FIU Required):

One course must be from the following list.

- ___ CGS 2518 Data Analysis (3cr)
- ___ COP 2210 Programming I (4 cr)*
- ___ COP 2250 Programming in Java (3 cr)
- ___ MAC 1140 Pre-Calculus Algebra (3 cr)* Credit cannot be received for both MAC 1140 and Pre-calculus Algebra & Trigonometry/MAC 1147
- ___ MAC 1114 Trigonometry (3 cr)* Credit cannot be received for both MAC 1114 and Pre-calculus Algebra & Trigonometry/MAC 1147
- ___ MAC 1147 Pre-Calculus Algebra & Trigonometry (4 cr)*
- ___ MAC 2233 Calculus for Business (3 cr)*
- ___ MAC 2312 Calculus II (4 cr)*#
- ___ MAC 2313 Multivariable Calculus (4 cr)*
- ___ PHI 2100 Introduction to Logic (3 cr)
- ___ STA 2122 Statistics for Behavioral & Social Sciences (3 cr)
- ___ STA 3111 Statistics I (3 cr)
- ___ STA 3145 Statistics for the Health Professions (3 cr)

SOCIAL SCIENCE (2 courses required; one from Group One and one from Group Two.)

Social science courses afford students an understanding of the basic social and behavioral science concepts and principles used in the analysis of behavior and past and present social, political, and economic issues.

Social Science – Group One (State Required):

One course must be from the following list.

- ___ AMH 2010 American History, 1607-1850 (3 cr) – GL/CL
- ___ AMH 2020 American History Introductory Survey Since 1877 (3 cr) – GRW/GL/CL
- ___ ANT 2000 Introduction to Anthropology (3 cr) – GL
- ___ ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics (3 cr)
- ___ POS 2041 American Government (3 cr) – CL
- ___ PSY 2012 Introduction to Psychology (3 cr)

Social Science – Group Two (FIU Required):

One course must be from the following list.

- ___ AFA 2004 Black Popular Cultures: Global Dimensions (3 cr) – GRW/GL
- ___ AMH 3560 The History of Women in the U.S. (3 cr) – GRW
- ___ ANT 3212 World Ethnographies (3 cr) – GL
- ___ ANT 3241 Myth, Ritual and Mysticism (3 cr) – GL
- ___ ANT 3451 Anthropology of Race & Ethnicity (3 cr)
- ___ ASN 3410 Intro to East Asia (3 cr) – GRW/GL
- ___ COM 3461 Intercultural/Interracial Communication (3 cr) – GL
- ___ CPO 2002 Introduction to Comparative Politics (3 cr)
- ___ CPO 2102 Politics of Western Europe (3 cr) – GRW/GL*^ (CPO 3103 PRIOR TO FALL 2025)
- ___ CPO 2304 Politics of Latin America (3 cr) (COP 3304 PRIOR TO FALL 2025)
- ___ DEP 2000 Human Growth & Development (3 cr)
- ___ ECO 2023 Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr)
- ___ ECS 3003 Comparative Economic Systems (3 cr)*
- ___ ECS 3021 Women, Culture, and Economic Develop. (3 cr)* – GL
- ___ EDF 3521 Education in History (3 cr) – GL*
- ___ EVR 1017 Climate Change, The Global Env. & Society (3 cr) – GL
- ___ GEA 2000 World Regional Geography (3 cr) – GL
- ___ GEO 2000 Introduction to Geography (3 cr)
- ___ IDS 2183 Health Without Borders (3cr) – GL (IDS 3183 PRIOR TO FALL 2025)
- ___ IDS 3315 Gaining Global Perspectives (3 cr)
- ___ IDS 3333 Div. of Meaning: Language, Culture, and Gender (3cr) – GL
- ___ INP 3004 Intro. Industrial/Organizational Psychology (3 cr)
- ___ INR 2001 Introduction to International Relations (3 cr)
- ___ INR 3081 Contemporary International Problems (3 cr) – GRW/GL
- ___ LBS 3001 Labor and Globalization (3 cr) – GL
- ___ POT 3302 Political Ideologies (3 cr)
- ___ REL 2300 Studies in World Religions (3 cr) – GRW/GL (REL 3308 PRIOR TO FALL 2025)
- ___ SOP 3004 Introductory Social Psychology (3 cr)
- ___ SOP 3015 Social and Personality Development (3 cr)
- ___ SPC 3210 Communication Theory (3 cr) – GRW
- ___ SYD 3804 Sociology of Gender (3 cr) – GL
- ___ SYG 2000 Introduction to Sociology (3 cr) – GL
- ___ SYG 2010 Social Problems (3 cr) – GL
- ___ SYG 3002 Basic Ideas of Sociology (3 cr)
- ___ SYP 3000 The Individual in Society (3 cr)
- ___ WST 3015 Intro to Global Gender & Women's Studies (3 cr) – GRW/GL
- ___ WST 3641 Intro to LGBTQ+ Studies (3 cr) – GL

*^CPO 3103 is GL Effective Spring 2022 and beyond

*EDF 3521 is GL Effective Fall 2024 and beyond

NATURAL SCIENCE (2 courses required; one from Group One and one from Group Two. 1 lab required from Group Two.)

Natural science courses afford students the ability to critically examine and evaluate the principles of the scientific method, model construction, and use the scientific method to explain natural experiences and phenomena.

Any student who successfully completes a natural science course in Group Two for which a course in Group One is an immediate prerequisite shall be considered to have completed Group One and may take two natural science courses from Group Two.

Natural Science – Group One (State Required):

One course must be from the following list. Note: These courses may require a co-requisite lab; please check the catalog or with an advisor

___AST 1002	Descriptive Astronomy (3 cr)
___BSC 2010	General Biology I (3 cr)
___BSC 2085	Anatomy and Physiology I (3 cr)
___CHM 1020	Chemistry for Liberal Studies (3 cr)
___CHM 1045	General Chemistry I (3 cr)*
___ESC 1000	Intro. To Earth Science (3 cr)
___EVR 1001	Intro. To Environ. Sciences (3 cr) – GL
___GLY 1010	Physical Geology (3 cr)
___PHY 1020	Understanding the Physical World (3 cr)
___PHY 2048	Physics with Calculus I (4 cr)*
___PHY 2053	Physics without Calculus I (4 cr)*

Natural Science – Group Two (FIU Required):

One course and lab must be from the following list.

___AST 2003 & AST 2003L	Solar System Astronomy (3,1 cr)
___BOT 1010 & BOT 1010L	Introduction to Plants (3,1 cr)
___BSC 2011 & BSC 2011L	General Biology II (3,1 cr)
___BSC 2023 & BSC 2023L	Human Biology (3,1 cr)
___BSC 2086 & BSC 2086L	Anatomy & Physiology II (3, 1 cr)*
___CHM 1033 & CHM 1033L	Survey of Chemistry (4,1 cr)
___CHS 2500 & CHS 2500L	Survey of Forensic Science (3,1 cr) (CHS 3501 & CHS 3501L PRIOR TO FALL 2025)
___EVR 3013 & EVR 3013L	Ecology of South Florida (3,1 cr)
___GLY 1101 & GLY 1101L	History of Life (3,1cr)
___GLY 3039 & GLY 3039L	Environmental Geology (3,1 cr)
___HUN 2000 & HUN 2000L	Found. of Nutritional Sci. (3,1 cr)
___IDS 3214 & IDS 3214L	Coastal Environment from the Bay to the World (3,1 cr) - GL
___MCB 2000 & MCB 2000L	Intro. Microbiology (3,1 cr) – GL
___OCB 2000 & OCB 2000L	Introductory Marine Biology (3,1 cr) – GL
___PHY 2049 & PHY 2049L	Physics with Calculus II (4,1 cr)*
___PHY 2054 & PHY 2049L	Physics without Calculus II (4,1 cr)*

ARTS (1 course required)

Students will become acquainted with the fundamental aspects of the arts while developing a capacity to understand, appreciate or experience particular forms. Students address universal themes central to the cultural traditions of the past and present as expressed through the perspectives of the arts.

Required course must be from the following list.

___ARH 2050	Art History Survey I (3 cr)
___ARH 2051	Art History Survey II (3 cr)
___COM 3404	Nonverbal Communication (3 cr) – GRW
___COM 2417	Communication in Film (3 cr) – GRW/GL (Formerly COM 3417)
___CRW 3010	Creative Writing: Forms and Practices (3 cr)*
___DAA 1100	Modern Dance Techniques I (3 cr)
___DAA 1200	Ballet Techniques I (3 cr)
___IDS 3336	Artistic Expression in a Global Society (3 cr) – GL
___MUH 2018	Evolution of Jazz (3 cr)
___MUH 2512	Music of the World (3 cr) – GL (MUH 3514 PRIOR TO FALL 2025)
___SPC 2608	Public Speaking (3 cr)
___TPP 2100	Introduction to Acting (3 cr)

IMPORTANT NOTES

Only these courses meet the University Core Curriculum (UCC) requirements, and all must be taken for a letter grade. Pre-professional (e.g., pre-law, pre-med, etc.) requirements are available at the Exploratory Advising Center website listed below. Students are ultimately responsible for meeting with advisors to discuss academic and career goals, course planning, academic policies and procedures, and opportunities for engagement at the University. Students are encouraged to meet with advisors should they have any questions about the UCC requirements or any of the notes included below.

GORDON RULE REQUIREMENT

Courses in the following areas are considered Gordon Rule: Communication, Mathematics, and courses designated as GRW. A grade of "C" or higher is required in these courses.

GORDON RULE with WRITING (GRW) REQUIREMENT

Students are required to demonstrate college-level writing skills through six semester hours of Gordon Rule Writing-designated courses (GRW). To fulfill this requirement, students can select any two GRW-designated courses in the University Core Curriculum. These courses can be from the same or different categories. Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher to earn GRW credit.

MATHEMATICS

#In accordance with the Common Prerequisite Manual (<https://cpm.flvc.org>), students who successfully complete MAC 2281* (Calc I for Engineering) with a grade of "C" or higher will be deemed to have satisfied Mathematics Group One MAC 2311 And students who successfully complete MAC 2282* (Calc II for Engineering) with a grade of "C" or higher will be deemed to have satisfied Mathematics Group Two MAC 2312. ^Subsequent credit for STA 2122 or STA 3111 will not be granted.

COMMUNICATION

Placement into ENC 1101 will be based on unweighted high school grade point average (GPA). Meet with your academic advisor to determine if you will be required to take Essay Writing (ENC 1930) prior to enrollment in ENC 1101.

GLOBAL LEARNING (GL) REQUIREMENT

Freshmen must complete one Global Learning (GL) Foundation course and one Discipline-Specific course. Transfers who meet UCC requirements prior to entering FIU must complete two Discipline-Specific courses. Transfers who do not meet UCC requirements prior to entering FIU must take one GL Foundation course and one Discipline-Specific course. For an updated list of courses and their effective semester, visit <http://goglobal.fiu.edu>. Transfer courses may not be used to meet this FIU requirement. All Global Learning courses must be taken at FIU. Courses with "GL" satisfy the University's Global Learning requirement.

POSTSECONDARY CIVIC LITERACY (CL) REQUIREMENT

Students must demonstrate understanding of American Civics via completed course work or test credit. This requirement is applicable to freshmen students enrolling for the first time in a Florida State College or University starting Summer 2018 or transfer students starting Fall 2018. Note: Students initially entering the SUS or FCS Summer B 2021 and thereafter must now complete both a course and an exam.

In addition to AMH 2020 and POS 2041, AMH 1010 will also satisfy the state of FL Civic Literacy course requirement if taken Fall 2024 or later.

SUMMER ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENT

Students who transfer to FIU with fewer than 60 credits must earn at least 9 credits during one or more summer semesters to be eligible for graduation.

EXEMPTIONS

a) Transfer Students:

Transfer students with an AA from a FL public college automatically meet the UCC. All others may be required to complete UCC courses.

b) Natural Science:

Transfer students who completed one or both science courses without labs at another institution prior to admission to FIU will be deemed to have satisfied the Natural Science requirement.

c) Honors College:

Students in the Honors College who have satisfied designated Honors Courses will be deemed to have met sections of the UCC & GL requirements. Visit <http://honors.fiu.edu> for course equivalencies.

WHO IS MY ASSIGNED ADVISOR?

Login to <https://my.fiu.edu> and look for the Panther Success Network icon. Use Panther Success Network (PSN) to find and message your assigned advisor as well as make appointments and view advising reports.

MYMAJOR

MyMajor (<http://mymajor.fiu.edu>) provides in-depth information on all FIU undergraduate majors, admissions criteria, career opportunities, and department contact information. MyMajor includes Major Maps, or programs of study, that show students what they need to take to graduate in a timely manner.

PANTHER DEGREE AUDIT (PDA)

A PDA is an unofficial copy of a student's academic progress that may be obtained from <https://my.fiu.edu>.

ACADEMIC WARNING AND PROBATION

The "warning" and "probation" statuses (assigned to students who have cumulative grade point averages below 2.0) have serious implications on academic progress, financial aid, and scholarships. Students must meet with an advisor immediately if placed on Academic Warning or Academic Probation.

EXCESS CREDIT HOUR SURCHARGE

A surcharge is assessed for each credit attempted in excess of student's excess credit threshold. Excess Credit Threshold is determined by credits required for the major and when a student first enrolled in a Florida state college or university as a degree seeking student. Visit <https://onestop.fiu.edu/classes/excess-credits/> for additional information.