

MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES, BS

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2021-2022. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation>).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00

Total Hours: 120

| Code | Title | Hours |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------|
| General Education Requirements | | |
| <i>English Composition</i> | | |
| See Academic Regulation 3.5 (http://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition) | | |
| ENGL 1113 | Composition I | 3 |
| or ENGL 1313 | Critical Analysis and Writing I | |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| ENGL 1213 | Composition II | |
| ENGL 1413 | Critical Analysis and Writing II | |
| ENGL 3323 | Technical Writing | |
| <i>American History & Government</i> | | |
| HIST 1103 | Survey of American History | 3 |
| or HIST 1483 | American History to 1865 (H) | |
| or HIST 1493 | American History Since 1865 (DH) | |
| POLS 1113 | American Government | 3 |
| <i>Analytical & Quantitative Thought (A)</i> | | |
| MATH or STAT course designated (A) | | 3 |
| <i>Humanities (H)</i> | | |
| Courses designated (H) | | 6 |
| <i>Natural Sciences (N)</i> | | |
| Must include one Laboratory Science (L) course | | |
| Courses designated (N) | | 6 |
| <i>Social & Behavioral Sciences (S)</i> | | |
| Course designated (S) | | 3 |
| <i>Additional General Education</i> | | |
| Courses designated (A), (H), (N), or (S) | | 10 |
| Hours Subtotal | | 40 |
| Diversity (D) & International Dimension (I) | | |
| May be completed in any part of the degree plan | | |
| Select at least one Diversity (D) course | | |
| Select at least one International Dimension (I) course | | |
| College/Departmental Requirements | | |
| <i>First Year Seminar</i> | | |
| (Transfer students with 15 hours exempt) | | 1 |
| <i>Arts & Humanities</i> | | |
| See note 2.a. | | 3 |
| <i>Natural & Mathematical Sciences</i> | | |
| See note 2.b. | | 9 |
| <i>Foreign Language</i> | | |

See note 3

0-6 hours

Upper-Division General Education

Select 6 hours outside major department

See note 2.c.

Hours Subtotal 13

Major Requirements¹

Minimum GPA 2.00. No more than 9 hours may be lower-division.

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| A&S 4013 | Multidisciplinary Studies Capstone (or 3-hour capstone in the primary discipline approved by advisor) | 3 |
| or AMST 4973 | Senior Seminar in American Studies | |

15 hours from one of the following disciplines. Minimum GPA 2.00 for all courses in this primary discipline.

AMIS, AMST, ANTH, ART, BIOL, CS, CHEM, ECON, ENGL, FLL (including ASL, FREN, GREK, GRMN, LATN, RUSS, SPAN), GEOG, GEOL, GWST, HIST, MATH, MUSI, PBIO, PHIL, PHYS, POLS, PSYC, REL, SOC, SPCH, STAT, TH

12 hours from a second discipline or area of concentration (approved by advisor)¹

10 additional hours

Hours Subtotal 40

Electives

Select 27 hours¹ 27

May need to include 6 hours of a foreign language. See note 3

May need to include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department (see note 2.c.). May need to include 9 additional upper-division hours.

Hours Subtotal 27

Total Hours 120

¹ With approval from the advisor and department head, a maximum of 30 hours from an accredited doctoral law or health program may be used for 9 of these 12 hours and 21 hours of electives.

Other Requirements

- See the College of Arts and Sciences Requirements.
- **Upper-Division Credit:** Total hours must include at least 40 hours in courses numbered 3000 or above.
- **Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be applied to degree requirements.

College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. General Education Requirements

No more than two courses (or eight hours) from the major department (<http://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/>) may be used to meet General Education and College and Departmental Requirements. The General Education required English Composition, required U.S. History, required American Government, one required MATH or STAT course, and required foreign language for B.A. degrees do not count against the two-course maximum.

2. A&S College/Departmental Requirements

- Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL

(except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (A), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (A) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.

- b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (A) or (N) general education designation.
- c. The required six hours of upper-division General Education may not include courses from the student's major department. This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One 3-hour course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
- e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.

3. Foreign Language Proficiency

- a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.
- b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

4. Exclusions

- a. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum allowed from one department.
- b. Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

5. Teacher Certification

Students can satisfy the requirements for secondary schools teaching certification while earning a B.A. or B.S. in the College of Arts & Sciences. Those interested should see their Arts and Sciences advisor and the OSU Professional Education Unit in room 325 Willard.

Additional State/OSU Requirements

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2027.

Example Plan of Study

Finish in Four Plan of Study

The plan below is an example of how students can successfully complete degree requirements in four years. This suggested class schedule plan may be used as a guide and can be adjusted based on individual needs. Students are required to meet with an academic advisor prior to enrollment each semester to plan their class schedule, and students are ultimately responsible for completing all degree requirements.

| Course | Title | Hours |
|---|--|-------|
| Freshman | | |
| Fall | | |
| ENGL 1113 | Composition I | 3 |
| HIST 1493 or HIST 1483 or HIST 1103 | American History Since 1865 (DH) or American History to 1865 (H) or Survey of American History | 3 |

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| MATH 1483 or MATH 1493 or MATH 1513 | Mathematical Functions and Their Uses (A) or Applications of Modern Mathematics (A) or College Algebra (A) | 3 |
| General Education courses | | 7 |
| Hours | | 16 |
| Spring | | |
| ENGL 1213 | Composition II | 3 |
| POLS 1113 | American Government | 3 |
| General Education courses | | 8 |
| Hours | | 14 |
| Sophomore | | |
| Fall | | |
| General Education courses | | 15 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Spring | | |
| Major, College, and Elective courses | | 15 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Junior | | |
| Fall | | |
| See program advisor. | | |
| Major, College, and Elective courses | | 15 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Spring | | |
| Major, College, and Elective courses | | 15 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Senior | | |
| Fall | | |
| File capstone paperwork no later than pre-finals week. | | |
| Major, College, and Elective courses | | 15 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Spring | | |
| A&S 4013 | Multidiscipli Studies Capstone | 3 |
| Major, College, and Elective courses | | 12 |
| Hours | | 15 |
| Total Hours | | 120 |