

CORE CURRICULUM

Effective Fall 2011

Maximum total credit is 45. Total may be fewer depending on the diversity and international overlaps and overlaps with major requirements.

ENTRY YEAR EXPERIENCE

Beginning in fall 2009 all entering students with fewer than 24 credit hours are required to complete an Entry Year Experience course in their first semester at USM. Entry Year Experience (EYE) courses are theme-based and employ a variety of perspectives to explore a significant question about human cultures and the natural world. EYE courses aid students in their transition to college in an academically rigorous context emphasizing critical reading, thinking, and writing.

Course, Semester, Grade:

Courses to fulfill these areas of the Core can be found in MaineStreet using the General Education drop down menu in Course Search.

Area	Course, Semester, Grade
College Writing (3-4 credits)	
Quantitative Reasoning (3-4 credits)	
Creative Expression (3 credits)	
Cultural Interpretation (3 credits)	
Socio-cultural Analysis (3 credits)	
Science Exploration (includes corresponding lab) (4 credits)	
Ethical Inquiry, Social Responsibility & Citizenship (3 credits)	
Diversity (may overlap with another core requirement) (3 credits)	
International (may overlap with another core requirement) (3 credits)	
Thematic Cluster (three courses, one course may overlap with major) (9 credits) OR	
Minor in lieu of Cluster (Minimum of 15 credits) (Only 1/3 of credits in the minor may be courses to be applied to the major)	
Capstone (3 or more credits)	

University Core Curriculum Requirements (Matriculated prior to Fall 2011)

- Writing Proficiency _____
- Math Proficiency _____

	Course	Term	Credit	Grade
English Composition (3.0) Eng 100C (with a grade of C or better)	<input type="checkbox"/> (C) _____	_____	_____	_____
Quantitative Decision Making (3-4)	<input type="checkbox"/> (D) _____	_____	_____	_____
Skills of Analysis/Way of Knowing (3.0)	<input type="checkbox"/> (E) _____	_____	_____	_____
Fine Arts (6.0) Performance Centered	<input type="checkbox"/> (F) _____	_____	_____	_____
History Centered (From different departments)	<input type="checkbox"/> (G) _____	_____	_____	_____
Humanities (6.0) Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> (H) _____	_____	_____	_____
Other Times/Other Cultures (Can be same department)	<input type="checkbox"/> (I) _____	_____	_____	_____
Social Science (6.0)	<input type="checkbox"/> (J) _____	_____	_____	_____
(From different departments)	<input type="checkbox"/> (J) _____	_____	_____	_____
Natural Science & Lab (3.0)	<input type="checkbox"/> (K) _____	_____	_____	_____
Natural Science Lab (1.0)	<input type="checkbox"/> (lab) _____	_____	_____	_____
Writing Intensive (3.0)	<input type="checkbox"/> (W) _____	_____	_____	_____

Total credits attained: _____

Women & Gender Studies Major Requirements (18 credit hours)

A minimum grade of C or better is required in major/minor courses. Courses taken pass/fail are not acceptable.

		Course	Term	Credit/ Grade
Introduction to Women & Gender Studies	or <input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 1011		
Gender, Representation, and Resistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	EYE 109	_____	_____/____
Women, Knowledge & Power	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 201	_____	_____/____
Politics of Difference	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 380	_____	_____/____
Contemporary Feminist Theories	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 390	_____	_____/____
Capstone Experience (2 hours)	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 490	_____	_____/____

Total credits attained: _____

Either One of the Following: [4 - 6 hours]

Internship	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 485	_____	_____/____
Thesis	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 486	_____	_____/____

Total credits attained: _____

One Topics Course from TWO of the Following Subject Areas: (6 credit hours)

Gender, Science, Tech & Health (Topics and course titles will vary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 335	_____	_____/____
Topics in Gender, Culture & the Arts (Topics and course titles will vary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 345	_____	_____/____
Topics in Gender, History & the Resistance (Topics and course titles will vary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 355	_____	_____/____
Topics in Women, Gender & Institutions (Topics and course titles will vary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	WGS 365	_____	_____/____

Total credits attained: _____

Women & Gender Studies Related Courses: (18 credit hours minimum)

See last pages for complete listing of Women & Gender Studies related courses and approved electives.

Course number	Course title	Term	Credit	Grade
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-1800	_____	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Western	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Total credits attained: _____

Electives
(see Advising Note 7)

Course number	Course title	Term	Credit	Grade
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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Completion of Major

- Students may take no more than three electives from one department or program. Any WGS course may be used for elective credit.
- Students must fill all University requirements, Women & Gender Studies Major requirements, Subject Area requirements, one pre-1800 elective, one non-western elective, and Women & Gender Studies Related Courses in order to graduate. WGS majors/minors are allowed to take **only take six credits of 100-level classes** toward completion of their major/minor. In addition students must have a minimum of 120 University credit hours to graduate.

To graduate from this program, the student must have:

- completed 42 hours of required coursework, as described above;
- attained a cumulative GPA of B- (2.67) in all major courses.

Students who wish to graduate with honors in this major must:

- maintain a GPA of 3.33 or better in major courses;
- have demonstrated superior work in the thesis or internship;
- be recommended by a faculty member who teaches courses within the program; and
- be approved by the Women and Gender Studies Council.