

**Freshman Orientation:**

\_\_\_ GEN 1031 Henderson Seminar (1 hour) [Freshmen only; required of all first-time freshmen. Students who fail may retake course 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.]

**LIBERAL ARTS CORE (45 hours) –Revised July 6, 2015**

The mission of the Core is to cultivate the skills, knowledge, and intellectual curiosity that are essential in every field of study, and which support a full and productive life. The Core provides the foundation to acquire a mastery of a particular field of study. No more than 7 hours of “D” will count in the LAC.

**--ESSENTIAL SKILLS (13 hours)--**

By fulfilling the essential skills requirements, students will be able to think critically, write clearly and effectively, read with understanding and appreciation, speak effectively, demonstrate fundamental mathematical skills, and practice lifetime fitness skills.

**Freshman English/Writing (6 Hours)**

Students with a score of 25 or higher on the English and Reading sections of the ACT (or equivalent test) will be awarded credit for ENG 1463 (Freshman English A) after completion of 15 hours at Henderson with a 2.00 or higher grade point average and ENG 1473 (Freshman English B) with a grade of “C” or better. **Students must pass English courses with a “C” or better.**

- \_\_\_ ENG 1463 Freshman English A **and**
- \_\_\_ ENG 1473 Freshman English B **or**
- \_\_\_ ENG 1803 Freshman English Honors

**Communication (3 Hours)**

- \_\_\_ COM 2013 Oral Communication

**Mathematics (3 Hours)**

Students majoring in business, aviation, computer science, mathematics, and natural sciences must have College Algebra or above.

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ MTH 1033 Mathematics for Liberal Arts
- \_\_\_ MTH 1243 College Algebra (math sub score 20 ACT or equivalent required)
- \_\_\_ MTH 1253 Plane Trigonometry
- \_\_\_ MTH 1273 Precalculus Mathematics (math sub score 20+ ACT or equivalent required)
- \_\_\_ MTH 1213 Algebra for the Elementary and Middle Grades (for P-4 and 4-8 majors only)
- \_\_\_ Or any mathematics course more advanced than Precalculus

**Physical Well-Being (1 Hour)**

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ HPR 1011 Life Fitness Concepts
- \_\_\_ HPR 1---1 P.E. Activity
- \_\_\_ An HPR methods course may satisfy the one-hour activity course. MSC1011 Introduction to ROTC, MSC1021 Introduction to Leadership OR one year or more of active duty military service will also satisfy this requirement.

**-- ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT (23 hours)--**

Students should consult with their major area advisor before registering for enrichment courses as some majors have specific course requirements.

**Fine Arts and Humanities (6 hours)**

Using a range of tools that include aesthetic sensitivity, personal experience, understanding of social context, and a variety of cultural/historical references, students will gain familiarity with a significant number of influential and representative works.

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ ENG 2013 World Literature I
- \_\_\_ ENG 2023 World Literature II
- \_\_\_ ENG 2683 Masters of Western Literature
- \_\_\_ ENG 2793 Masters of Western Literature Honors

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ ART 2033 Humanities: Art
- \_\_\_ ART 2603 Humanities: Studio Art
- \_\_\_ HUM 2093 Fine Arts Honors
- \_\_\_ MUS 2033 Humanities: Music
- \_\_\_ MUS 4363/4373 Music History (Music majors: See Music Department section of catalog.)
- \_\_\_ THA 2033 Humanities: Theatre Arts

**Social Sciences (9 hours)**

Students will gain a functional knowledge of the history of civilization and of our country in particular and will develop an understanding of political systems abroad and in the United States.

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ HIS 1013 Civilization to 1660
- \_\_\_ HIS 1023 Civilization since 1660
- \_\_\_ HIS 1043 Civilization since 1660 Honors

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ HIS 2053 United States to 1877
- \_\_\_ HIS 2063 United States since 1877
- \_\_\_ PSC 1013 American National Government

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ ANT 2013 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
- \_\_\_ ECO 2013 Macroeconomics
- \_\_\_ ECO 2023 Microeconomics
- \_\_\_ GEO 1023 Introduction to Geography
- \_\_\_ GEO 2163 World Geography
- \_\_\_ PSC 1023 State and Local Government
- \_\_\_ PSY 1013 General Psychology
- \_\_\_ PSY 1073 General Psychology Honors
- \_\_\_ SOC 1013 Introduction to Sociology
- \_\_\_ Or any Civilization, U.S. History, or American National Government course listed above not used to fulfill another requirement. No more than nine hours of HIS courses can count towards the core.

**Natural Science (8 hours)**

Students will develop a deeper understanding of the physical universe and recognize some of the issues in both the physical and life sciences that influence society.

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ BIO 1013\1021 Introduction to Biology (with lab)
- \_\_\_ BIO 2104 General Botany
- \_\_\_ BIO 2114 General Zoology

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ CHM 1004 Introduction to Chemistry
- \_\_\_ CHM 1014 University Chemistry I
- \_\_\_ CHM 1034 General Chemistry Non-Majors
- \_\_\_ CHM 1044 General Organic and Biochemistry
- \_\_\_ PHY 1024 Introduction to Astronomy
- \_\_\_ PHS 3153 Physical Science for Elementary Teachers
- \_\_\_ PHY 2034 General Physics I
- \_\_\_ PHY 2234 University Physics I

**--NON-WESTERN CULTURE (3 hours)--**

This course is usually taken in the junior or senior year.

Students completing the Non-Western Culture requirement will appreciate the complexity and diversity of world cultures. They will develop an understanding of how culture influences behavior, and in turn, how cultural differences impact intercultural interactions.

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ ANT 3043 North American Indians
- \_\_\_ ANT 3053 World Cultures
- \_\_\_ ART 4103 Art of the Nonwestern World
- \_\_\_ EDU 4543 Teaching People of Other Cultures
- \_\_\_ ENG 3043 Nonwestern Literature
- \_\_\_ GEN 3083 Study Abroad: Non-Western (requires travel)
- \_\_\_ GEO 3173 Geography of the Pacific
- \_\_\_ HIS 4673 Asian Civilizations
- \_\_\_ HIS 4683 The Modern Middle East
- \_\_\_ HIS 4693 African History
- \_\_\_ HPR 3973 History/Philosophy of Nonwestern Leisure, Culture, Wellness, Sport
- \_\_\_ MUS 3473 Survey of Nonwestern Music
- \_\_\_ NSG 3643 Trans-cultural Health Care
- \_\_\_ PHI 3023 Religions of the World
- \_\_\_ PHY 4293 Nonwestern Cosmology
- \_\_\_ PSC 4233 Comparative Politics in the Middle East
- \_\_\_ PSC 4243 Comparative Politics in Africa
- \_\_\_ PSC 4253 South Asian Politics
- \_\_\_ PSY 3043 Cross-Cultural Psychology
- \_\_\_ PSY 3053 Multicultural Mental Health
- \_\_\_ SOC 3063 World Cultures
- \_\_\_ THA 3483 Theatre of the Nonwestern World

**--CORE ELECTIVE (3 hours)--**

Electives offer students opportunities to explore personal interests, add variety to their studies, and advance particular academic, career, or professional goals.

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ FCS 2103 Nutrition
  - \_\_\_ FRE 1013 French I (or any higher level French)
  - \_\_\_ GER 1013 German I (or any higher level German)
  - \_\_\_ HUM 2153 Intro/Women's and Gender Studies
  - \_\_\_ PHI 2013 Introduction to Philosophy
  - \_\_\_ PHI 2083 Introduction to Philosophy *Honors*
  - \_\_\_ PHI 3113 Ethics
  - \_\_\_ PHI 4043 Ancient Philosophy
  - \_\_\_ PHI 4053 Modern Philosophy
  - \_\_\_ SPA 1013 Spanish I (or any higher level Spanish)
- \_\_\_ Or any course listed in the Liberal Arts Core that has not been used to fulfill any other category.

**--WRITING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS (3 hours)--**

The projected outcomes of students' skills, habits, and attitudes are not separable; they blend together to produce the ability to write well and to think critically. **Must pass with a grade of "C" or better.**

**Choose one:**

- \_\_\_ ENG 3313 University Writing
- \_\_\_ ENG 3613 Technical Writing
- \_\_\_ ENG 4453 Advanced Composition
- \_\_\_ MMC 4223 Magazine & Feature Writing
- \_\_\_ MMC 4293 Creative Nonfiction
- \_\_\_ NSG 3603 Healthcare Research for Evidence-Based Practice

**Writing Intensive (WI) Requirement**

While not a part of the Liberal Arts Core, each student must take one (1) additional 3000- or 4000-level writing intensive course in the major area of study. Approved courses are identified with "WI."  
**Must pass with a "C" or better.**

**ASSESSMENT-RELATED COURSES**

Remediation courses should be completed during freshman year.

Remediation courses do not count toward graduation hours, although they do count toward semester hours. All remedial work must be done before taking junior/senior courses. Math courses must be taken sequentially.

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| ___ ENG 0423 | Basic English           | ___ RDG 0043 | Academic Reading |
|              | ACT: 0-18               |              | ACT: 0-18        |
|              | SAT: 0-469              |              | SAT: 0-469       |
|              | ASSET: 0-44             |              | ASSET: 0-44      |
|              | COMPASS: 0-79           |              | COMPASS: 0-82    |
| ___ MTH 0003 | Elementary Algebra      |              |                  |
|              | ACT: 0-16               |              |                  |
|              | SAT: 0-390              |              |                  |
|              | ASSET: 0-33             |              |                  |
|              | COMPASS: 0-25           |              |                  |
| ___ MTH 0013 | Intermediate Algebra    |              |                  |
|              | Mandated ACT: 17-19     |              |                  |
|              | Mandated SAT: 400-470   |              |                  |
|              | Mandated ASSET: 34-40   |              |                  |
|              | Mandated COMPASS: 26-41 |              |                  |

\*MTH 0003 is sufficient remediation for students wishing to take Mathematics for the Liberal Arts. Intermediate Algebra is the remediation course for College Algebra.

**HONORS GUIDELINES**

Most entering honors-eligible students sign up for **ENG 1803, English Honors** (Substitutes for English B; must have ACT sub-scores of at least 25 in both English and Reading.)

Students who have satisfied the English B requirement should register for **ENG 2793, Masters of Western Lit/Honors**. [Students without AP Literature/Composition test score should sign up for English/Honors at a time matching Masters of Western Lit/Honors.]

Honors students should NOT take Philosophy, Civilization since 1660, Gen. Psychology, or Humanities Art, Music, Theatre in the first semester *EXCEPT* for those with 26 composite & who do not have 25 ACT in *both* Eng & Rdg.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID (Contact office for more info)****Academic Challenge Scholarship funded by the Lottery:**

- First-time freshmen register for at least 12 hours in first fall; 15 hours every semester thereafter.
- At end of first spring, must have completed 27 hours with 2.5 GPA. (Recipients prior to Fall 2010: 30 hours/2.75 GPA)
- All remediation must be completed within first 30 attempted hours after receipt of scholarship.
- Deficient hours/GPA may be made up in summer at school of choice at own expense. Must have official transcript sent to ADHE.

**Henderson Academic Scholarships:**

- MUST register for at least 15 hours at Henderson every fall and spring semester.
- Must complete 30 hours at HSU for the academic year AND meet minimum GPA for the scholarship. (Distinguished=3.25; Red & Gray Leadership=2.75; All others=3.0)
- **Note: One-time** probation is allowed to make up deficient hours or GPA (at own expense) at HSU during summer terms. Credit from other institutions cannot be used to make up deficiencies. If retention criteria are not met, there is no make-up option.

**Henderson Performance Scholarships:**

- First-time freshmen register for at least 12 hours in first fall; 15 hours every semester thereafter.
- 2.5 GPA minimum (see **Note** above for making up deficiencies)

**Henderson Athletic Scholarships:** 12 hours per semester; min. GPA varies.