WSU Graduation Requirements

UNIVERSITY COMMON REQUIREMENTS (UCORE)

These graduation requirements were developed to help students achieve WSU’s Learning Goals and Outcomes. Four broad categories are divided into eleven requirements. Match courses in the WSU Catalog (https://catalog.wsu.edu) to the requirements using the [bracketed notation] that appears in the list below. Of the 34 total credits, only three, three-credit courses may be taken within the major.

University Honors College students do not complete University Common Requirements. Contact the Honors College for additional information.

Students who have completed an approved transferable A.A. degree should check the University Common Requirements section of the catalog for more information or contact the Transfer Center.

FOUNDATIONAL REQUIREMENTS: 12 credits*

- Roots of Contemporary Issues [ROOT] (3 cr.)
  course: History 105 semester/year F Sp Su
- Quantitative Reasoning [QUAN] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Written Communication [WRTG] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Communication [COMM] [WRTG] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su

*Courses meeting the Foundational Requirements should be completed within the first year.

INQUIRY: WAYS OF KNOWING: 19 credits

Of the following seven designations, students must complete six designations:

- Inquiry in the Arts [ARTS] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Inquiry in the Biological Sciences [BSCI] (3 or 4 cr.)*
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Inquiry into Equity and Justice [EQJS] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Inquiry into Global Cultural Diversity [DIVR] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Inquiry in the Humanities [HUM] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Inquiry in the Physical Sciences [PSCI] (3 or 4 cr.)*
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
- Inquiry in the Social Sciences [SSCI] (3 cr.)
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su

*At least one lab science (either BSCI or PSCI) must be completed to satisfy the UCORE inquiry requirement. Students in the College of Arts and Sciences complete one additional lab credit for a total of 8 semester credits.

INTEGRATIVE LEARNING: 3 credits

- Integrative Capstone [CAPS]
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su

UNIVERSITY GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 120 semester credits (or total credits for a specific degree program) of which 30 minimum are from Washington State University.
- 40 Upper Division (300/400 level) semester credits.
- 2.0 minimum cumulative grade point average.
- Completion of Writing Proficiency and UCORE requirements and college requirements, if applicable (see below).
- Completion of requirements for major including a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA in the major (see relevant catalog section).

WRITING PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

Graduation requirements that all students must complete:

- University Writing Portfolio/Qualifying Exam (to be completed when a student reaches 60 semester credits).
- Two Writing in the Major [M] courses*
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su
  course: ______________ semester/year F Sp Su

*For more information about these, refer to the WSU Writing Program (https://writingprogram.wsu.edu) or the WSU Catalog (https://catalog.wsu.edu).

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS *

- Foreign Language: Complete 2 years of high school or 1 year of college-level foreign language (includes ASL or NAL) in the same language.
- Additional 3 semester credits from Inquiry: Ways of Knowing—Complete 3 credits in each of the seven inquiry designations: [ARTS], [BSCI], [DIVR], [EQJS], [HUM], [PSCI], and [SSCI].
- Additional 1 lab credit of [BSCI] or [PSCI] for a total of 8 semester credits (2 labs).

COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS *

- Additional 3 semester credits from Inquiry: Ways of Knowing—Complete 3 credits in each of the seven inquiry designations: [ARTS], [BSCI], [DIVR], [EQJS], [HUM], [PSCI], and [SSCI].

*All students, including transfer students with an approved transferable associate's degree, or students pursuing a second bachelor's degree in the majors in these colleges, will be held to these additional requirements.