



**OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**

In selecting courses, each student must fulfill the following requirements:

**International/Intercultural Requirement**

All degree-seeking students must complete one course which emphasizes a global, cross-cultural, or multi-cultural perspective and encourages students to think beyond the boundaries of traditional Western European cultural perspectives.

**Courses which satisfy this requirement are:**

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| ANT* K105 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology                                | HIS* K218 African American History                |
| ANT* K136/MUS* K104 Music Cultures of the World                                | HIS* K244 Europe in the 20th Century              |
| ANT* K230 Indigenous Peoples of the World                                      | HIS* K257 War and Society in World Civilizations  |
| BIO* K180/ENV* K101 Principles of Environmental Science/Environmental Studies  | HIS* K271 Modern Asia                             |
| COM* K202 Intercultural Communication  | MUS* K104/ANT* K136 Music Cultures of the World   |
| ENG* K240 Studies in World Literature  | PHL* K151 World Religions                         |
| ENG* K250 Studies in Ethnic Literature   | POL* K103 Introduction to International Relations |
| ENG* K261 Women Writers Across Cultures  | SOC* K103 Social Problems                         |
| ENV* K101/ BIO* K180 Environmental Studies/Principles of Environmental Science | SOC* K220 Racial & Ethnic Diversity               |
| GEO* K111 World Regional Geography   | SPA* K211/K212 Intermediate Spanish               |
| HIS* K121 World Civilization I   | SSC* K210 World Issues                            |
| HIS* K122 World Civilization II  |   |

**Oral Communication Requirement**

All degree-seeking students must complete one course to develop competency in oral communication; the courses which meet this requirement are:

- COM\* K109 Speech Practice 1 credit
- COM\* K173 Public Speaking 3 credits

These requirements do not increase the total number of credits needed to complete the degree; they can be met within the 60-61 credits of the degree program by choosing appropriate electives.

**Program Outcomes and Statement of Core Values**

Three Rivers Community College is committed to the belief that the best preparation for life, and especially for careers that require specialized training, is a broad acquaintance with human knowledge. The General Studies degree program is designed to give students the opportunity to explore knowledge from multiple perspectives. Students are challenged to become intellectually curious, aesthetically aware, and critically perceptive, and to develop their communicative and quantitative skills. Through the study of the natural sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities, the General Studies degree program gives students the flexibility to adapt to the changing needs of the workplace and the foundation necessary for lifelong learning and personal growth.

Students completing the General Studies program will develop the ability to:

- Think critically and creatively
- Work collaboratively as well as independently
- Communicate effectively both in speaking and in writing
- Reason quantitatively as well as verbally
- Value artistic expression
- Move beyond a narrow focus and recognize broader historical, cultural, global, and scientific perspectives

Understand and reflect searchingly upon one's values and the values of others.

General education and career education are interactive components. They enrich each other by helping students to make career choices in keeping with their understanding of themselves and their world. Together they provide the skills and perspectives that make possible the dignity of work and social contribution. They cultivate a framework of meaning, value, ethical purpose, and commitment that enrich every aspect of life. They foster an attitude of critical inquiry, curiosity, openness, and wonder that enables a spirit of lifelong learning.

**DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES COMPLETED:**

Writing Workshop \_\_\_\_\_ Semester/Year

Effective Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Semester/Year

Basic Math Skills \_\_\_\_\_ Semester/Year

Basic Algebra \_\_\_\_\_ Semester/Year

GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE  
SELECTING ELECTIVES

**FOR THE STUDENT WHO HAS NOT YET MADE A DECISION WHERE TO TRANSFER BUT WOULD EVENTUALLY LIKE TO TRANSFER**

The courses listed below are accepted as General Education Requirements at ECSU, CCSU, and UCONN. Currently, they are the only courses accepted as fulfilling GERs at all three of the universities to which our students transfer most often. For the undecided student, choosing electives from this list assures a high degree of transfer “safety.”

*Fine Arts*

Choose one of the following:

ANT\* K136/MUS\* K104 Music Cultures of the World  
ART\* K100 Art Appreciation  
ART\* K101 Art History I  
ART\* K102 Art History II  
MUS\* K101 Music History & Appreciation I  
MUS\* K104/ANT\* K136 Music Cultures of the World  
THR\* K101 Introduction to Theatre

*Foreign Language*

Take two semesters of one language

FRE\* K111 Elementary French I  
FRE\* K112 Elementary French II  
OR

SPA\* K111 Elementary Spanish I  
SPA\* K112 Elementary Spanish II

*History Courses*

Choose one of the following:

HIS\* K121 World Civilization I  
HIS\* K122 World Civilization II

*Literature Courses*

Choose one of the following:

ENG\* K213 Poetry  
ENG\* K214 American Literature II  
ENG\* K232 British Literature II

*Science Courses*

Choose one of the following:

AST\* K101; BIO\* K115, K121, K122, K145, K155,  
K175, K180, K211, K212, K235, K262 (excludes nutrition),  
K270, K272; CHE\* K111, K121, K122, K210, K217,  
K218; K232, K240; EAS\* K102; PHY\* K103,  
K110, K114, K115, K116, K121, K122; K140, K141;  
OCE\* K101.

*Social Science Courses*

Choose one of the following:

ECN\* K101 Principles of Macroeconomics  
ECN\* K102 Principles of Microeconomics  
GEO\* K111 World Regional Geography  
POL\* K111 American Government  
POL\* K103 Introduction to International Relations  
AND

Choose one of the following:

PSY\* K111 General Psychology I  
SOC\* K101 Introduction to Sociology  
SOC\* K103 Social Problems

*In addition, the following courses are accepted as fulfilling GERs at all three schools:*

ANT\* K105 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology  
ENG\* K101 Composition  
ENG\* K102 Literature & Composition\*  
MAT\* K146 Math for Liberal Arts OR MAT\* K167 Principles of  
Statistics  
MAT\* K186 Pre Calculus  
PHL\* K111 Ethics

*\* If an Eastern bound student completes ENG\* K102, another 200 level literature course is not required to fulfill Eastern's general education requirements.*

**Note: Once a student decides where he/she wishes to transfer, the student should then be guided by the specific requirements of that school. The specific GER requirements for [Eastern](#), Central, and UCONN are available in the Student Development Office**

## **PLAN OF STUDY GUIDELINES**

The College reserves the right to modify this Plan of Study in subsequent academic years. Each student has the responsibility to insure that he/she completes all courses required for graduation, completes prerequisites for required courses, and completes all other requirements of the College as explained in the College Catalog.

### **ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT PROCESS**

Students are required to meet with their advisor early in their first semester of enrollment. It is the student's responsibility to seek out information concerning program requirements. This may be done with the help of their advisor, the Department Chairperson, the Program Coordinator, the Counseling staff, or individual faculty members. While each student is assigned to an Academic Advisor, ultimate responsibility for meeting program requirements lies with the individual student. Students are encouraged to initiate and maintain close contact with their Academic Advisor throughout their program enrollment. A Plan of Study Form signed by a student and academic advisor or registration card signed by an academic advisor must be submitted when registering for courses until 12 credits are earned at TRCC.

### **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Students have the option of meeting the degree or certificate program requirements listed in the College Catalog under which they initially enrolled or the requirements as listed in the current catalog. [EXCEPTION]: Students who have a two-year or more lapse in enrollment must meet the program requirements in effect at the time of re-enrollment at the College or the requirements as listed in the current catalog.

### **COURSE PREREQUISITES**

All prerequisites to courses listed in the College catalog must be met by students prior to registration in those courses. If, however, students consider that they have the equivalent of a prerequisite listed for a given course, they may present evidence to the instructor, and may register for the course if written consent is filed by the instructor in the Registrar's Office.

### **COURSE SUBSTITUTION**

Any substitution of a course or courses for those listed as requirements for a degree or certificate must be approved by either the Department Chairperson or Academic Program Coordinator and the Academic Dean. Contact your advisor or the Director of Counseling for additional information.

### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

All students should schedule a graduation review with their Academic Advisor before registering for their final semester in a degree or certificate program. Eligible students must fill out a graduation application form and pay the appropriate fee by the date published in the academic calendar.

To be eligible for graduation with an Associate in Science, Arts or Applied Science degree or a Certificate from the College, the student must:

1. Fulfill all of the program course requirements in an approved program and have achieved at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average.

In addition, Associate Degree candidates must complete a minimum of sixty credits in college level courses in an approved Plan of Study with no more than twelve credits carrying a "P" grade.

2. Successfully complete at least 50% of courses attempted. At least 25% of credits earned must have been completed at Three Rivers CC.
3. Fulfill all financial obligations to the institution.
4. Fulfill other requirements consistent with policies of the Board of Trustees which may apply.