SCHOOL OF UNIVERSITY STUDIES
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UNIVERSITY STUDIES PROGRAM

General or liberal education programs at most colleges and universities normally comprise about one-third of the baccalaureate curriculum. These programs are designed to provide the knowledge, skills, and experiences that are necessary to enable students to lead full and productive lives as educated men and women. At Southeast Missouri State University the liberal education program is called University Studies.

THEME: Understanding and Enhancing the Human Experience

The cornerstone of the University Studies program is the acquisition of knowledge and intellectual skills common to educated people. Students must become acquainted with the various methods of inquiry by which knowledge is created, organized, tested, and learned. Further, students must develop the ability to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate knowledge for use in making intelligent decisions. In other words, students must be equipped to make sound choices by critically thinking through a problem or issue and assessing the implications of possible solutions. To assist students in making sound decisions about complex matters, University Studies emphasizes the need to integrate knowledge from various academic disciplines to better understand and respond to issues and problems. University Studies is intended to foster students’ abilities to use knowledge in ways that lead to a fulfilling and principled personal and civic life. The ultimate goal of the University Studies program is to help students live as responsible citizens in a democratic society.

Specific objectives of the University Studies program are:
- Demonstrate the ability to locate and gather information.
- Demonstrate capabilities for critical thinking, reasoning, and analyzing.
- Demonstrate effective communication skills.
- Demonstrate an understanding of human experiences and the ability to relate them to the present.
- Demonstrate an understanding of various cultures and their interrelationships.
- Demonstrate the ability to integrate the breadth and diversity of knowledge and experience.
- Demonstrate the ability to make informed, intelligent value decisions.
- Demonstrate the ability to make informed, sensitive aesthetic responses.
- Demonstrate the ability to function responsibly in one’s natural, social and political environment.

The University Studies program consists of a total of 51 hours, including the

FIRST YEAR INTRODUCTORY COURSE: 3 HOURS
UI 100 First Year Seminar

COMPOSITION COURSE: 3 HOURS
EN 100 English Composition

CORE CURRICULUM: 36 HOURS
(100-200 Level Courses. No more than SIX hours in one department.)
Perspectives on Individual Expression 12 Hours
Perspectives on Natural Systems 12 Hours
Perspectives on Human Institutions 12 Hours

INTERDISCIPLINARY CURRICULUM: 9 HOURS
(No more than THREE hours in department of major.)
300 Level Courses 6 Hours
400 Level Senior Seminar 3 Hours

CORE CURRICULUM THEME:
Acquisition of Knowledge: Gaining Perspectives on the Individual, Society, and the Universe

PERSPECTIVES ON INDIVIDUAL EXPRESSION

Artistic Expression
(Choose ONE Course)
AR 108 Drawing in Society (3)
AR 111 Ceramics: A Metaphor for Understanding Human Experience (3)
AR 112 Perspectives in Art (3)
DA 100 Dance Appreciation (3)
FL 205 Art of French Cinema (3)
LI 205 The Art of Film (3)
MM 101 Theories of Music in Culture (3)
MU 181 Musical Encounters (3)
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MU 182 Music: An Artistic Expression (3)
MU 190 Jazz Appreciation (3)
PG 284 Photography Fundamentals (3)
PL 203 Aesthetics & the Arts (3)
TH 100 Theatre Appreciation (3)
TH 101 Acting for Non-Majors (3)

Literary Expression
(Choose ONE Course)
FR 220 French Literature (3)
GN 220 German Literature (3)
LI 220 Fiction & the Human Experience (3)
LI 221 Poetry & the Human Experience (3)
LI 222 Mythic Dimensions of Literature (3)
LI 243 Children's Literature (3)
LI 250 World English Literature (3)
LI 256 The Variety of Literature (3)
MH 252 The Evolution of Musical Style Since 1827 (3)
PL 110 Readings in Philosophy (3)
RS 201 New Testament Literature (3)
RS 202 Old Testament Literature (3)
SN 220 Hispanic Literature (3)

Oral Expression
(Choose ONE Course)
FR 100 French Language & Culture I (3)
FR 120 French Language & Culture II (3)
FR 200 French Language & Culture III (3)
GN 100 German Language & Culture I (3)
GN 120 German Language & Culture II (3)
GN 200 German Language & Culture III (3)
SC 105 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3)
SC 107 Online Oral Presentations (3)
SC 155 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication (3)
SN 100 Spanish Language & Culture I (3)
SN 120 Spanish Language & Culture II (3)
SN 200 Spanish Language & Culture III (3)
SW 121 Helping Skills for the Human Services (3)

Written Expression (Choose ONE Course)
EN 140 Rhetoric & Critical Thinking (3)
EN 190 Writing and the Environment (3)
PL 115 Philosophical Writing (3)

PERSPECTIVES ON NATURAL SYSTEMS

Behavioral Systems
(Choose ONE Course)
AN 100 Found of Human Behavior: Sex/Aggression (3)
HL 120 Health Perspectives (3)
PL 204 Ethical Theory (3)
PY 101 Psych Perspectives/Human Behavior (3)
PY 120/
CF 120 The Child: Devel/Concep to Adolsc (3)
PY 151 Social Decision-Making (3)
PY 220 Psychological Devel Across Life Span (3)
PY 222 Development of the Adolescent (3)

Living Systems
(Choose ONE Course)
BI 151 Biological Reasoning (3)
BS 103 Human Biology (3)
BS 105 Environmental Biology (3)
BS 107 Investigations in Biology (3)
BS 108 Biology for Living (3)
BS 218 Biol Science: Process Approach (3)
FN 235 Nutrition for Health (3)

Logical Systems
(Choose ONE Course)
CS 125 Computer Programming Logic (3)
MA 118 Mathematics I (3)
MA 123 Survey of Mathematics (3)
MA 134 College Algebra (3)
MA 155 Statistical Reasoning (3)
PL 120 Symbolic Logic I (3)

NOTE: In order to receive a degree from Southeast, students must pass MA 102 Intermediate Algebra or score at the appropriate level on a placement test to have the course waived. This requirement should be completed before attempting any course in the Logical Systems category. This requirement applies to all students regardless of major selected.

Physical Systems
(Choose ONE Course)
CH 180 Chemistry in Our World (3)
CH 181 Basic Principles of Chemistry (5)
CH 185 General Chemistry I (5)
GO 150 Earth Science: Envir Hazards (3)
PH 106 Physical Concepts (3)
PH 109 Exploring the Universe (3)
PH 120 Introductory Physics I (5)
PH 218 Physical Science: A Process Approach (3)

PERSPECTIVES ON HUMAN INSTITUTIONS

Development of a Major Civilization
(Choose ONE Course)
EH 101 Early European Civ (3)
EH 103 Modern European Civ (3)
EH 115 Ancient Greece & Rome (3)
GG 170 European Peoples & Civilization (3)
US 105 American History I (3)
US 107 American History II (3)
WH 100  African Civilization (3)
WH 110  Chinese Civilization (3)
WH 125  Islamic Civilization (3)
WH 130  Latin American Civilization (3)

**Economic Systems**  
*(Choose ONE Course)*
- AG 201  World Food & Society (3)
- EC 101  Economic Problems & Policies (3)
- EC 215  Principles of Microeconomics (3)
- FE 200  Family Resource Management (3)
- MN 220  Engineering Economic Analysis (3)

**Political Systems**  
*(Choose ONE Course)*
- PS 103  United States Political Systems (3)
- PS 104  Comparative Political Systems (3)

**Social Systems**  
*(Choose ONE Course)*
- AN 101  Observing Other Cultures (3)
- CD 110  Language & Culture of the Deaf (3)
- CF 102  Relationships in the 21st Century (3)
- GG 150  People & Places of the World (3)
- GG 180  Cultural Geography (3)
- MC 101  Mass Communication & Society (3)
- PE 201  Sport & Society (3)
- PL 245  Social Philosophy (3)
- RC 100  Leisure in a Diverse Culture (3)
- RS 101  World Religions (3)
- SE 275/EL 274  Diversity in American Schools (3)
- SO 102  Society, Culture, & Social Behavior (3)
- SO 120  Cities & Society (3)
- SW 207  Understanding Social & Cultural Diversity (3)

**INTERDISCIPLINARY CURRICULUM**

**THEME:** Integration of Knowledge: Living in an Interdependent Universe

**300 Level Interdisciplinary Courses**  
*(Choose TWO Courses)*
- IU 300  Cyberlaw (3)
- IU 301  Historical Perspective: American Agriculture (3)
- IU 304  Gender and Intimacy (3)
- IU 305  Entrepreneurship (3)
- IU 306  Perspectives on Urban Design (3)
- IU 308  Compassionate Communication (3)
- IU 309  Writing for Science and Technology (3)
- IU 310  Government and Politics of East Asia (3)
- IU 315  Ethics in the Cyber World (3)
- UI 300  Drugs & Behavior (3)
- UI 301  Managerial Communication Processes (3)
- UI 303  The Female Experience (3)
- UI 304  The History & Culture of West Africa (3)
- UI 305  Judicial Reasoning (3)
- UI 306  Film and History (3)
- UI 307  Economic Geography (3)
- UI 308  Cult & Phys Landscapes of the World: A Geog Analysis (3)
- UI 309  Crime & Human Behavior (3)
- UI 310  The American Musical Experience (3)
- UI 312  Perspectives on the Present (3)
- UI 313  The African-American Experience (3)
- UI 315  Electronics & Computers in Music (3)
- UI 316  Contemporary Legal Studies (3)
- UI 317  Human Sexuality (3)
- UI 318  Earth Science: A Process Approach (3)
- UI 319  Science, Technology & Society (3)
- UI 320  The Modern Presidency (3)
- UI 322  International Political Economy (3)
- UI 326  Australian Culture (3)
- UI 330  Experimental Methods in Physics & Engineering I (3)
- UI 331  Found of Biochemistry (3)
- UI 332  Images of Women in Literature (3)
- UI 336  Religion in America (3)
- UI 337  Issues in Modern Architecture (3)
- UI 339  North American Indians (3)
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- UI 344  Plants & Humanity (3)
- UI 345  Nonverbal Communication (3)
- UI 347  Living in a Global Society (3)
- UI 349  Comparative Economic Systems (3)
- UI 350  Middle East Politics (3)
- UI 351  Public Opinion Management (3)
- UI 352  Medical Ethics (3)
- UI 354  Lifestyle Enhancement (3)
- UI 355  Consumer & the Market (3)
- UI 357  Early American Political Thought (3)
- UI 358  Foundations of Political Thought (3)
- UI 359  Consumers: Buying/Having/Being (3)
- UI 360  Recycling & Waste Management (3)
- UI 361  Contemporary Political Theory (3)
- UI 362  Contemporary French Culture (3)
- UI 366  Law & Economics (3)
- UI 368  Mind, Meaning, & Value (3)
- UI 369  Vice and Virtue (3)
- UI 370  Media Ethics (3)
- UI 371  Government and Business (3)
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