A major portion of a student’s first- and second-year studies is a common curriculum of courses called the General Studies Program. The General Studies Program is designed to provide a fundamental basis for lifelong learning and advanced studies. General studies courses may not be used in meeting requirements for both the General Studies Program and the requirements for a major or minor. Students should complete at least 36 hours of the General Studies Program before registering as a junior.

Requirements for the General Studies Program may change without notice. For transfer guides and complete information regarding the Statewide Transfer and Articulation Reporting System (STARS) and the Alabama Articulation and General Studies Committee (AGSC), please visit http://stars.troy.edu.

SPECIALIZED GENERAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS

Some programs, majors or minors may have specialized general studies requirements. Consult the descriptions of these programs in this catalog for information about specialized general studies requirements or placement in courses other than those described below.

Area I (6 hours)

- A minimum grade of C is required in ENG 1101 and 1102.
  ENG 1101 (3) Composition and Modern English I, or placement in ENG 1103 Honors English Composition I
  ENG 1102 (3) Composition and Modern English II, or placement in ENG 1104 Honors English Composition II

Area II (13 hours)

- Students must complete a six hour sequence in world/British/American literature or U.S. history/western civilization/world history.
- A total of six hours selected from Area II and/or Area IV must be international in scope. International courses are designated with an asterisk.
- Specialized courses in ethics (business ethics, bioethics) may fill a general studies requirement provided the course does not simultaneously fill a major’s requirement and the student has satisfied the course prerequisites.

COM 2241 (3) Fundamentals of Speech, or placement in COM 2243 Honors Fundamentals of Speech

Select four semester hours from the following:
  ART 1133* (2) Visual Arts, or placement in ART 1134* Honors Visual Arts
  DRA 2200 (2) Introduction to Drama
  MUS 1131* (2) Music Appreciation, or placement in MUS 1132* Honors Music Appreciation

Select three semester hours from the following:
  ENG 2205* (3) World Literature before 1660, or placement in ENG 2207* Honors World Literature before 1660
  ENG 2206* (3) World Literature after 1660, or placement in ENG 2208* Honors World Literature after 1660
  ENG 2211 (3) American Literature before 1875
  ENG 2212 (3) American Literature after 1875
  ENG 2244 (3) British Literature before 1785
  ENG 2245 (3) British Literature after 1785

Select three semester hours from the following:
  CLA 2260* (3) Classical Mythology
  ENG 2205* (3) World Literature before 1660, or placement in ENG 2207* Honors World Literature before 1660
  ENG 2206* (3) World Literature after 1660, or placement in ENG 2208* Honors World Literature after 1660
  ENG 2211 (3) American Literature before 1875
  ENG 2212 (3) American Literature after 1875
  ENG 2244 (3) British Literature before 1785
  ENG 2245 (3) British Literature after 1785
  FRN 1101* (3) Introductory French I, or placement in FRN 1102*, 2201* or 2202*
  GER 1121* (3) Introductory German I, or placement in GER 1122*, 2221* or 2222*
  GRK 1111* (3) Introductory Greek I, or placement in GRK 1112*
  IDS 2200 (3) Crossroads: Sophomore Interdisciplinary Seminar in Creative Thinking
  LAT 1131* (3) Introductory Latin I, or placement in LAT 1132*, 2231* or 2232*
  PHI 2203 (3) Introduction to Philosophy
  PHI 2204 (3) Ethics and the Modern World
  REL 2280* (3) World Religions
  SPN 1141* (3) Introductory Spanish I, or placement in SPN 1142*, 2241* or 2242*
Area III (11 hours)

- Four hours of advanced biology (course with lab) may satisfy the following biology requirement, so long as the course does not simultaneously fill a major’s requirement and the student has satisfied the course prerequisites.
  
  BIO 1100 (3) Principles of Biology
  BIO L100 (1) Principles of Biology Lab

- A minimum grade of C is required in mathematics. A higher level mathematics course may be required. Consult the listing of specialized general studies requirements for your major.
  
  MTH 1110 (3) Finite Math

Select a four hour course/lab combination from the following:

  CHM 1142 (3) General Chemistry I
  CHM L142 (1) General Chemistry I Lab
  PHY 2252 (3) General Physics I
  PHY L252 (1) General Physics I Lab
  SCI 2233 (3) Physical Science
  SCI L233 (1) Physical Science Lab
  SCI 2234 (3) Earth and Space Science
  SCI L234 (1) Earth and Space Science Lab

Area IV (12 hours)

- Students must complete a six hour sequence in world/British/American literature or U.S. history/western civilization/world history.

- A total of six hours selected from Area II and/or Area IV must be international in scope. International courses are designated with an asterisk.

Select three hours from the following:

  HIS 1101 (3) Western Civilization I, or placement in HIS 1103 Honors Western Civilization I
  HIS 1102 (3) Western Civilization II, or placement in HIS 1104 Honors Western Civilization II
  HIS 1111 (3) U.S. to 1877, or placement in HIS 1113 Honors U.S. to 1877
  HIS 1112 (3) U.S. since 1877, or placement in HIS 1114 Honors U.S. since 1877
  HIS 1122* (3) World History to 1500
  HIS 1123* (3) World History from 1500

Select nine hours from the following:

  ANT 2200* (3) Anthropology
  ECO 2251* (3) Principles of Macroeconomics
  ECO 2252* (3) Principles of Microeconomics
  GEO 2210* (3) World Regional Geography
  HIS 1101 (3) Western Civilization I, or placement in HIS 1103 Honors Western Civilization I
  HIS 1102 (3) Western Civilization II, or placement in HIS 1104 Honors Western Civilization II
  HIS 1111 (3) U.S. to 1877, or placement in HIS 1113 Honors U.S. to 1877
  HIS 1112 (3) U.S. since 1877, or placement in HIS 1114 Honors U.S. since 1877
  HIS 1122* (3) World History to 1500
  HIS 1123* (3) World History from 1500
  IDS 2200 (3) Crossroads: Sophomore Interdisciplinary Seminar in Creative Thinking
  POL 2260* (3) World Politics
  POL 2241 (3) American National Government, or placement in POL 2240 Honors American National Govt.
  PSY 2200 (3) General Psychology, or placement in PSY 2201 Honors General Psychology
  PSY 2210 (3) Developmental Psychology
  SOC 2275 (3) Introduction to Sociology

Area V (18-22 hours)

IS 2241 (3) Computer Concepts and Applications
TROY 1101 (1) University Orientation

Select an additional 14-18 hours of requirements specified by the major or program. (See the descriptions of programs, majors and programs in this catalog.) If no specific requirements for the major or program are designated, the student must take an additional 14 hours of electives.