

St. Olaf General Education Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree

Foundation Courses			Additional Notes
First-Year Writing	FYW	1	
Writing in Context Courses	WRI	4	
Foreign Language	FOL	0-4	In a sequence, in one language. Can test up or out of the final course.
Oral Communication	ORC	1	
Abstract and Quantitative Reasoning	AQR	1	Math, Stats, Computer Science
Studies in Physical Movement	SPM	2	Physical Activity course. Only one additional course required if credit awarded for a varsity sport.
Core Courses			
Historical Studies in Western Culture*	HWC	2	
Multicultural Studies - Domestic	MCD	1	MCD and MCG must be in different departments/programs.
Multicultural Studies - Global	MCG	1	
Artistic Studies	ALS-A	1	Course credit must total 1.0 in same department/program/instrument
Literary Studies	ALS-L	1	
Biblical Studies	BTS-B	1	
Theological Studies	BTS-T	1	
Studies in Natural Science - <i>Scientific Exploration and Discovery</i> **	SED	1	SED and IST must be in different departments/programs.
Studies in Natural Science - <i>Integrated Scientific Topics</i> **	IST	1	
Studies in Human Behavior and Society***	HBS	2	Must be in two different departments/programs
Integrative Courses			
Ethical Issues and Normative Perspectives	EIN	1	Prerequisite: satisfactory completion of BTS-T

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**Either the IST or SED must be taken from a St. Olaf faculty instructor. If first course taken carries both SED and IST, second must carry at least one of the two. Note: if a student has received credit for an IST or SED course through pre-college credit, s/he may receive credit for the other one via a St. Olaf sponsored/affiliated off-campus program. Transfer students must take either the IST or SED from a St. Olaf faculty instructor.

***At least one HBS course must be taken from a St. Olaf faculty instructor. Note: if a student has received credit for one HBS course through pre-college credit, s/he may receive credit for the other one via a St. Olaf sponsored/affiliated off-campus program. Transfer students must take at least one HBS course from a St. Olaf faculty instructor.

Additional degree requirements for a St Olaf degree are as follows:

- 1 major
- 2.0 minimum cumulative GPA
- 6 credits graded "C" or above in the major
- 35 minimum total credits
- 21 credits outside the major department
- 18 upper-level credits (200-level or above)
- 24 graded credits (those cannot be Pass/No Pass or Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory)
- 6 credits maximum can be taken Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
- 3 Interims/1 must be taken as a first-year student