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**Name: ID:**

**Bachelor’s Degree**

**Today’s Date: \_\_**

**Foundation of Knowledge: NKU’s General Education Program (37 Hours)**

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| **Communication+**  (9 semester hours) | | | **Scientific & Quantitative Inquiry**  (10 semester hours) | | | **Self & Society**  (9 semester hours) | | **Culture & Creativity**  (6 semester hours) | | **Global Viewpoints**  (3 semester hours) |
| **Written I**  (3 semester hours) | **Written II**  (3 semester hours) | **Oral**  (3 semester hours) | **Mathematics & Statistics**  (3 semester hours) | **Natural Science**  (7 semester hours)  One course must also have a lab. | | **Cultural Pluralism**  (3 semester hours) | **Individual & Society**  (6 semester hours) |
| ENG 104 meets both Written I & II (3 cr hrs)\*\* | | CMST 101  CMST 110  TAR 111 | MAT 114  MAT 115 MAT 115R  MAT 128  MAT 129  MAT 185  PHI 265  STA 113  STA 205 STA 205R | ANT 202 includes Lab  AST 110 includes Lab  AST 115 includes Lab  BIO 120 +BIO 120L  BIO 121 / Lab Optional  BIO 150 +BIO 150L  BIO 208 +BIO 208L  CHE 112+ CHE 105L  CHE 112 / Lab Optional  CHE 115 +CHE 115L CHE 120 +CHE 120L  CHE 130 +CHE130L  ENV 130/220 / Lab Optional  GLY 110 includes Lab  PHY 110 includes Lab  PHY 211 includes Lab  PHY 220 includes Lab  SCI 110 includes Lab | AST 120  BIO 123  BIO 125  BIO 126 EGT 110  ENV 110  GEO 108  GLY 115 GLY 125/ 225  GLY 130/ 230  INF 120 | ANT 201  ANT 230  ANT 231  ANT 245  ANT 270  BLS 100  DAN 200  EDU 316  EMB 105  ENG 212 LDR 180  MUS 108  MUS 110  PSC 201  SPB 200  SWK 105  TAR 102  WGS 150 | ANT 110  ECO 100  ECO 101  FLC 101 HIS 200  HSR 100  INF 128  IST 185  JOU 110  JUS 101  LAW 101  LDR 101  LIN 175  NEU 101  PHI 110  PSC 100  PSY 100  SOC 100 | ANT 275  ART 100  ASL 110  DAN 100  EMB 100  ENG 200  ENG 231  ENG 302  ENG 316  FRE 101  GER 101 HIS 102  HIS 103  JPN 101 | LAT 101  MUS 100  MUS 201  PHI 181 POP 205  POP 250  PSC 202  REL 200  REL 225  SPI 101 TAR 100 TAR 165 | ANT 100  ANT 114  BIO 235  ENG 213  GEO 100  GLY 120  HIS 111  JUS 231  LDR 160  MUS 106  PHI 200  PHI 220  PSC 102  PSC 103  PSC 110  SOC 101  SWK 106 |
| ENG 101  ENG 101R  ENG 101W  ENG 101I | ART 291W  BIO 291W  CHE 391W  EGT 291W  ENG 102 / 291 HIS 291W  LAW 291W MUS 291W |
| *SLOs*  *C1-C2-C3* | | *SLOs*  *A1-C1-C2-C3* | *SLOs*  *A3-D1* | *SLOs*  A3-D1-D2 | | *SLOs*  B1-B2-E2 | *SLOs*  A2-D3-E3 | *SLOs*  A1-A4-B1-B2 | | *SLOs*  B1-B2-E1 or E1-E2-E3 |
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NOTES**:**

***Students may take not more than TWO courses of the same prefix in completing all their Gen Ed courses, and students may take no more than ONE course prefix in any one main Gen Ed category. (For example, Self & Society is a main category, with Individual & Society as a sub category.) Courses taken to fulfill the Written Communication requirements are not counted for the purpose of the above policy. All language courses count as the same “prefix” for the purpose of this policy; therefore, a student can count no more than one language course in the Culture and Creativity category.***

**Renumbered gen eds:**

Renumbered Fall 2018: GLY 225 was renumbered to GLY 125, GLY 230 was renumbered to GLY 130, and ENG 291 was renumbered to ENG 102.

Renumbered Fall 2019: ENG 151H was renumbered to ENG 104. Fall of 2022: ENV 220 becomes ENV 130.

**Removed gen eds.** The below gen eds are no longer part of the gen ed curriculum and will not fulfill gen ed requirements if taken after the semester it was removed.

Removed Spring 2020: BIS 111

Removed Spring 2021: ENV 291W

Removed Fall 2021: SOC 100 is no longer Global Viewpoints, SOC 101 is no longer Cultural Pluralism, ANT 100 is no longer Individual & Society, and GLY 120 is no longer a Natural Science. If taken before Fall 2021, the courses can be used in that category OR the current category. CHI 101 and RUS 101 are no longer offered, but may count for Culture and Creativity.

Removed Fall 2022:HSC291W and ENG 214

\*\* One course cannot be used to fulfill two Foundation of Knowledge categories, with the exception of ENG 104\*\*. Students satisfactorily completing ENG 104 will earn 3 credit hours and will complete the Foundation of Knowledge with 34 earned credit hours

+ “Communication” and “Mathematics and Statistics” areas should be completed before 45 semester hours are earned.

**General Education Frequently Asked Questions**

# What are the strange codes in the category boxes?

* + SLOs is the abbreviation for Student Learning Outcomes, which are learning goals set by the university that each course in any category should meet. The letter and number codes refer to specific learning outcomes, with each letter representing different domains of learning that exist across different general education categories. A = Critical Thinking, B = Perspectives, C = Oral & Written Communication, D = Science & Technology, and E = Personal Responsibility & Community. The codes here are for informational purposes only. Every syllabus for a general education course will include the relevant student learning outcomes. See https://inside.nku.edu/gened.html.

# Can one course be used for multiple categories?

* + No double dipping: students cannot use the same course to satisfy two categories (i.e., ANT 100 cannot be used to complete “Individual & Society” and “Global Viewpoints”). The only exception to this is ENG 104 which fulfills both Written Communication I & II.
  + Often courses can be used to fulfill both general education and major or minor requirements. However, several majors and minors do not allow this form of double dipping or have requirements for courses that cannot be used for general education. Please check with an academic advisor.

# Can two courses from the same discipline be used to satisfy a category requiring multiple classes?

* + No. Only one discipline (course prefix) can be taken per MAIN category (the top, dark grey box) other than in “Communication.” ***(For example, Self & Society is a main category, with Individual & Society as a sub category.)***
  + Three courses from three different disciplines must be taken in “Scientific & Quantitative Inquiry” (one from “Mathematics & Statistics,” one “Natural Science with a Lab,” and one additional “Natural Science”).
  + Three courses from three different disciplines must be taken in “Self & Society” (one from “Cultural Pluralism” and two from “Individual & Society”).
  + Two courses from two different disciplines must be taken from “Culture & Creativity.” Note, for this rule, all foreign language courses count as a single discipline. Two foreign language classes cannot be used to fulfill this requirement.

For example, a student may count ANT 202 for Natural Science and ANT 100 for Global Viewpoints. Two of the same prefix are permitted if they are in different categories. A student could not also take an additional ANT course in any Self and Society category because of the limit of two.

# How long does a student have to complete the “Mathematics & Statistics” and “Communication” requirements?

* + ENG 101 should be completed by the time the student earns 30 credit hours. Other “Mathematics & Statistics” and “Communication” requirements should be completed by the time the student earns 45 credit hours.

# What if a student has academic deficiencies?

* + Students admitted with NKU, CPE, and/or PCC deficiencies (admission requirements) must be enrolled in the appropriate course their first year and are highly encouraged to take any academic deficiencies during the first semester. Please check with an academic advisor.

# Do the new general education courses on this checklist count if a student took them last year?

* + No, new courses approved as general education for Fall 2018 or Fall 2019 only fulfill Foundation of Knowledge requirements if taken Fall 2018 or later or Fall 2019 or later, depending on the approval date. See footnotes (i.e. (†) and (††) etc.) at the bottom of the check sheet for clarification.

# If a student is part of the Honors College, does this change any general education requirements?

* + Honors College students beginning at NKU in Fall 18 or later will complete about half of their general education courses through an alternative honors curriculum and half using this traditional checklist. Please contact the Honors College for specifics.

See <https://inside.nku.edu/gened/faqs.html> for more FAQs about Gen Ed.

FAQ’s Last Updated 2-18-21

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