A&S Graduation Requirements

...ensure educational breadth and rigor...participate in wide ranging discourses...acquire critical skills through a variety of courses...increase understanding of other people and the structure of language...

CREDITS

A minimum of 124 applicable college-level credits* of which at least:

• 104 credits are from Arts & Sciences courses

• 60 credits are from non-introductory courses, which are courses that are:
  a) 300-level or higher, or
  b) 200-level with an explicitly stated course prerequisite, as indicated in the UHM Catalog. This course prerequisite must be at the college-level (i.e., 100-level and above).

  NOTE: English literature courses numbered 250 through 257 have a course prerequisite but are considered INTRODUCTORY courses and DO NOT fulfill this non-introductory credit requirement.

• 30 credits are earned at UH Manoa

*Credits exceeding the following maximum credit levels cannot be applied to the 124 total credits requirement:

  Directed reading and research (X99): 9 credits
  KLS activity: 8 credits
  Practicum: 12 credits
  Non-UH system junior/community colleges: 60 credits

GRADES

Cumulative: Minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA).

Arts & Sciences Program Requirements: "D" grade (not D-) or higher required to fulfill Arts & Sciences Program requirements.

Major: "C" grade (not C-) or higher in each course fulfilling a Major requirement and/or a minimum GPA as required by the Major department (see your Major department).

Minor/Certificate: "C" grade (not C-) or higher in each course fulfilling a Minor/Certificate requirement.

Credit/No Credit: Credit/No Credit option is limited to elective courses only. All courses used to fulfill requirements must be taken with the letter grade (A-F) option, unless the course is designated mandatory Credit/No Credit.

FOCUS

Can be satisfied through Major and Diversification courses, but not through Foundation courses. Check the Schedule of Courses each semester for Focus designated courses.

†Hawaiian, Asian and Pacific Issues (H):
   One course

†Contemporary Ethical Issues (E):
   One course

†Oral Communication (O):
   One course

†Writing Intensive (W):
   Two to five courses, of which at least two must be 300-level or higher**

†DETERMINING YOUR "H", "E", "O", and "W" COURSE REQUIREMENTS

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HAWAIIAN/SECOND LANGUAGE (H/SL) Hawaiian or second language through the intermediate level (202 or equivalent)

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**Arts & Sciences Foundations Requirements**

...develop skills and perspectives fundamental to higher education...meet the demands of college writing...be aware of the beauty and power of formal systems of reasoning...understand the thematic treatments of global processes and cross cultural interaction...

**Written Communication (FW):** One course (as designated by your writing placement exam results)

- English (ENG) 100, 100A, 101-101L, or English Language Institute (ELI) 100

**Symbolic Reasoning (FS):** One course required as part of the College Program requirements for BA, BFA, and BMus

- No approval/prerequisites needed: Business (BUS) 250; Math (MATH) 100, 100A, 112; Natural Resources & Environmental Management (NREM) 203; Philosophy (PHIL) 110, 110A, 111, 111A
- Approval/prerequisites needed: Economics (ECON) 301; Information and Computer Sciences (ICS) 141, 241; Math (MATH) 140*, 203*, 215*, 215A*, 241*, 241A*, 251A*

As part of the College Program requirements, all BA, BFA, and BMus degree candidates must fulfill one of the following Symbolic Reasoning courses: BUS 250, ECON 301, ICS 241, MATH 100, MATH 100A, MATH 112, MATH 140*, MATH 203*, MATH 215*, MATH 215A*, MATH 241*, MATH 241A*, MATH 251A*, NREM 203, PHIL 110, PHIL 110A, PHIL 111, or PHIL 111A

*Math Department’s Precalculus Assessment required.

**Global & Multicultural Perspectives (FG):** To satisfy this requirement students must take two courses; each course must come from a different group. (Example: History 151 is from Group A and Anthropology 152 is from Group B.)

- **Group A:** Anthropology (ANTH) 151; History (HIST) 151, 161A; Women’s Studies (WS) 175
- **Group B:** American Studies (AMST) 150; Art (ART) 176; Geography (GEOG) 102; History (HIST) 152, 155, 162A
- **Group C:** Geography (GEOG) 151, 151A; Languages, Linguistics, & Literature (LLL) 150; Music (MUS) 107; Religion (REL) 150

**Arts & Sciences Diversification Requirements**

...understand the inherited values, ideas, and philosophies of cultures expressed in works of literature, history, philosophy, religion, art, and music...develop a basic understanding of the fields of natural and social sciences...

See Catalog and the Schedule of Classes for courses that will fulfill the Diversification requirements. Diversification requirements are noted in bold at the end of individual course descriptions.

**ARTS AND HUMANITIES**
Two semester courses, each selected from a different group: Arts (DA), Humanities (DH), Literature (DL).

**NATURAL SCIENCES**
Two semester courses, one in the Biological Sciences (DB), one in the Physical Sciences (DP), and one Natural Science Lab (DY).

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**
Two semester courses (DS), each from a different department.

**Wild Card Option**  
(See the UHM General Education website at www.hawaii.edu/gened for further information.)
# Arts & Sciences Program Requirements

## A&S Graduation Requirements

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**GRADES**

| Cumulative minimum | 2.0 |

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**Major:** See your department advisor.

*See page 1 for credit maximums

### A&S Foundations Requirements

- **Written Communication (FW):** 1. ____________
- **Symbolic Reasoning (FS):** 1. ____________
- **Global & Multicultural Perspectives (FG):** Two courses, each from a different group.
  - Group A □ Group B □ Group C □ 1. ____________
  - Group A □ Group B □ Group C □ 2. ____________

### A&S Diversification Requirements

- **Arts & Humanities:**
  - Two semester courses, each selected from a different group: The Arts (DA), Humanities (DH) or Literature & Language (DL)
    - DA □ DH □ DL □ 1. ____________
    - DA □ DH □ DL □ 2. ____________

- **Natural Sciences:**
  - Biological Sciences (DB) ........ 1. ____________
  - Physical Sciences (DP) ........ 1. ____________
  - Lab Requirement (DY) ........ 1. ____________

- **Social Sciences:** (DS)
  - Two semester courses, each from a different department
    - 1. ____________
    - 2. ____________

### A&S Diversification Requirements

- **Hawaiian/Second Language** through intermediate level (202 or equivalent)
  - ____________ ____________ ____________ ____________
Frequently Asked Questions about an A&S Degree Program

1. Do I have to change my program requirements each year?
No. While the program requirements may change from year to year, you follow the program requirements that were in effect during the academic year you entered the UH system (e.g., UH-Manoa, UHM Outreach College, UH community colleges, UH Hilo, UH West Oahu). If you break from the UH system for two consecutive semesters and then return, then the re-entry academic year is your program requirement year and you will need to follow the requirements for that year. To confirm your program requirements for graduation, see an advisor.

2. How can I make sure that I’m making satisfactory progress in getting my degree?
While you are ultimately responsible for your degree program, you can obtain help from A&S Student Academic Services and your major department at each stage of your college career by doing the following:

Transfer Students/Freshmen:
- New Student Orientation Office at 956-3667 or 1-888-700-5420 (www.hawaii.edu/nso) to sign up for orientation.
- First Year Advising Center (FYAC) in QLSS101 (www.advising.hawaii.edu/artsci/fyac) or call 956-7273.
- Transfer Credit Search (http://its06.its.hawaii.edu:9287).

Sophomores/Juniors:
- Explore potential majors. Visit the department websites and learn strategies in exploring your choice (www.advising.hawaii.edu/artsci/pages/resources/default.asp).
- Upon deciding on an Arts & Sciences major: Do a JUMP academic planning session (http://www.advising.hawaii.edu/artsci/pages/JUMP/express.asp) and sign up for a JUMP follow up session with an A&S Academic Advisor.

Seniors:
- The semester prior to your expected graduation, 1) complete the Certification of Fulfillment of Major form (the ‘Goldenrod’ form) with your major advisor, 2) complete the A&S Program Requirements Checklist on page 3 of this sheet, 3) sign up for a Graduation Audit (GRAD) session when you return the form and the checklist to Hawai‘i Hall 108 (or call 956-8755). If you are doing a Minor/Certificate, your Minor/Certificate forms must be received at Hawai‘i Hall 108 prior to your GRAD session.

Pre-professional: (e.g., pre-med, pre-health, pre-law)
- Visit the Professions Advising Center (PAC) at QLSS 101 or call 956-4045 (www.advising.hawaii.edu/artsci/pac).

Probation/Suspension:
- For individual appointments with an A&S academic advisor, sign up at Hawai‘i Hall 108 or call 956-8755 and press “1” when you hear the message.

3. How can I make my UH Manoa experience even better?
You are encouraged to use these resources:

Essentials:
- Admissions (956-8975) www.hawaii.edu/admrec
- Financial Aid Services (956-7251) www.hawaii.edu/fas
- Housing (956-8177) www.housing.hawaii.edu
- International Student Services (956-8354) www.hawaii.edu/issmanoa
- Manoa Writing Program (956-6660) www.mwp.hawaii.edu
- Student Employment & Cooperative Education (956-7007) www.hawaii.edu/sece
- Student Health Services (956-8965) www.hawaii.edu/shs
- UHM Online Catalog www.catalog.hawaii.edu

Careers/Counseling/Study Strategies:
- Career Services (956-8136) www.hawaii.edu/career
- Counseling and Student Development Center (956-7927) www2.hawaii.edu/~csdc
- Learning Assistance Center (956-6114)

Enhancements:
- Co-Curricular Activities, Programs, and Services (956-8178) www.hawaii.edu/caps
- Honors Program (956-8391) www.honors.hawaii.edu
- National Student Exchange (956-7891)
- Service Learning (956-4641) www.hawaii.edu/servicelearning
- Study Abroad (956-5143) www.studyabroad.hawaii.edu

ARTS & SCIENCES MAJOR DEPARTMENTS THAT OFFER A BA - INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES, BFA OR BMus DEGREE

| Art (ART 142) | .................................................... | 956-8251  |
| Interdisciplinary Studies (KRA 116) | .............................. | 956-7297 |
| Music (MB 3 ) .......................... | .................................................. | 956-7756 |
| Theatre & Dance (KT 115) | .................................................. | 956-7677 |

A&S Major Skills and Department Website:  www.advising.hawaii.edu/artsci/pages/resources/lib_art_degrees/
Value of a Liberal Arts Degree Website:  www.advising.hawaii.edu/artsci/pages/resources/lib_art_degrees/major_valuelibart.asp