

# Academic Program Requirements

Academic programs are administered through the following Colleges, Institute, and Departments which provide courses in the specified subject areas:

## **College of Arts and Sciences**

*Departments:*

Art and Design

Communication

History, Political Science, and Geography

Languages, Literature, and Philosophy

Music and Theatre

Sciences and Mathematics

## **College of Business and Legal Studies**

*Departments:*

Accounting and Management Information Systems

Business Administration and Legal Studies

## **College of Education and Human Sciences**

*Departments:*

Education

Health and Kinesiology

Psychology and Family Studies

## **College of Nursing and Speech-Language Pathology**

*Departments:*

Associate Nursing

Baccalaureate Nursing

Graduate Nursing

Speech-Language Pathology

## **Culinary Arts Institute**

### **DEGREES OFFERED**

Mississippi University for Women offers the following degrees: Associate of Science in Nursing; Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science in Nursing; Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Fine Arts; Master of Education; Master of Arts in Teaching; Master of Science; Master of Science in Nursing.

## **GRADUATE MAJORS**

Differentiated Instruction  
Education  
Educational Leadership  
Gifted Studies  
Health Education  
Nursing  
Physical Theatre  
Reading/Literacy  
Speech-Language Pathology

## **UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS**

Accounting  
Art Education  
Biology (also with Teacher Certification)  
Business Administration (with concentrations in Entrepreneurship,  
General Business, Management, Management Information  
Systems, and Marketing)  
Chemistry  
Communication  
Culinary Arts  
Elementary Education  
English (also with Teacher Certification)  
Family Studies (General and with Teacher Certification in Family  
and Consumer Sciences)  
Fine Arts (with emphases in Graphic Design, Studio Arts, and  
Theatre)  
History (also with Teacher Certification)  
Interdisciplinary Studies  
Kinesiology (with concentrations in Teaching Certification,  
Exercise Science, Exercise Science-Physical Therapy, and Pre-  
Occupational Therapy)  
Mathematics (also with Teacher Certification)  
Microbiology  
Music (with emphasis in General Music)  
Music Education  
Music Therapy  
Nursing (including ASN and BSN degree programs)  
Paralegal Studies  
Physical Sciences with Teacher Certification  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Social Sciences (also with Teacher Certification)  
Spanish (also with Teacher Certification)  
Speech-Language Pathology/Audiology

# **Core Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees**

## **CORE CURRICULUM**

Mississippi University for Women strongly believes in the necessity of a core curriculum that prepares students to be active citizens in a continually changing world. The core curriculum is designed to provide a common body of knowledge, to strengthen essential skills, and to facilitate the exploration of self, relationships, and values. An individual with a liberal arts education should have an understanding and appreciation of many areas of intellectual endeavor. Knowledge is enhanced through exposure to historical, literary, artistic, scientific and cultural traditions that have shaped societies, both antiquated and contemporary. An understanding of varied cultures, languages and ideas reveals the interconnectedness of world cultures and promotes compassion and good will among people of diverse origins and backgrounds.

A liberal arts education also should develop those skills requisite to life in a rapidly-changing environment. All individuals should be able to reason critically and to express themselves clearly; thus, MUW's core curriculum blends basic knowledge with essential skills in writing, speaking, and critical thinking. In addition, computer and quantifying skills are essential in an increasingly technical world; therefore, the MUW core requirements seek to enhance the student's proficiency in accessing information and utilizing technologies in settings both academic and professional. Each of the above critical skills is introduced through core courses and is reinforced in the various majors.

A liberal arts education strives to transform students into independent, productive, and responsible members of society, with the ability to negotiate complex moral and ethical dilemmas with both rigor and compassion. MUW's goal is to produce well-educated individuals who will enjoy a life of fulfilling personal successes, but who will also make selfless contributions to the society in which they live.

## Core Curriculum

### I. To Develop Knowledge for a Changing World (23-26 hrs)

#### A. *World Heritage (15 hours)*

##### *History of Civilization (6 hours)*

HIS 101 History of Civilization I

HIS 102 History of Civilization II

##### *Literature and Fine Arts (9 hours)*

At least one course from Literature and one course from Fine Arts.

##### *Literature Survey (3 or 6 hours)*

EN 201 Survey of English Literature I

EN 202 Survey of English Literature II

EN 203 Survey of American Literature I

EN 204 Survey of American Literature II

EN 231 Survey of World Literature I

EN 232 Survey of World Literature II

FLF 311 Survey of French Literature I

FLF 312 Survey of French Literature II

FLS 311 Survey of Spanish Literature I

FLS 312 Survey of Spanish Literature II

##### *Fine Arts History/Appreciation (3 or 6 hours)*

ART 102 Art Appreciation

ART 211 Art History Survey I

ART 212 Art History Survey II

DAN 110 Dance Appreciation

MUS 100 Music Appreciation

MUS 105 Introduction to Music Literature

TH 175 Theatre Appreciation

#### B. *Natural Sciences with Laboratory (8 hours)*

BSB 101 General Biology I with lab

BSB 102 General Biology II with lab

BSB 201 Humans: Origins and Ecology with BSB 102 lab

BSM 131 General Microbiology with lab

PSC 111 General Chemistry I with lab

PSC 112 General Chemistry II with lab

PSP 211 General Physics I with lab

PSP 212 General Physics II with lab

PSP 213 General Physics I (calculus based) with lab

PSP 214 General Physics II (calculus based) with lab

SM 101 Environmental Science I with lab

SM 102 Environmental Science II with lab

C. *Intercultural Studies (0-3 hours)*

This area may be satisfied by taking one of the following courses. These courses also may meet requirements in another part of the core:

- EN 231 Survey of World Literature
- EN 232 Survey of World Literature
- GEO 101 Elements of World Geography
- Language Course (non-English course)
- REL 213 Religions of the World
- Approved study-abroad course

**II. To Strengthen Skills for Living and Working in a Changing World (18 hours)**

A. *Critical Thinking Skills (3 hours)*

- PHL 201 Introduction to Philosophy
- PHL 202 Aesthetics
- PHL 204 Ethics
- PHL 205 Logic
- PHL 206 Sport Ethics
- PHL 306 Business Ethics
- PHL 307 Medical Ethics

B. *Written Communication (6 hours) (a minimum grade of C required)*

- EN 101 English Composition
- EN 300 Advanced Composition

C. *Oral Communication (3 hours)*

- COM 101 Oral Communication

D. *Quantifying and Technology Skills (6 hours)*

- Mathematics (3)
- MA 113 or higher (excluding MA 123 Statistics)
- Other (3)

Additional mathematics above MA 113, computer applications, or computer programming course

**III. To Explore Self, Relationships and Values (8-9 hours)**

A. *Meeting the Challenge of College (\*0 -1 hr.)*

- UN 101 Introduction to College Life

*\*Students transferring to MUW with at least 12 hours earned are not required to take UN 101.*

B. *Developing Personal Well Being Through Physical Activities (2 hours)*

- HKC (1)
- HK Activity course or additional different HKC (1)

C. *Social Institutions (3 hours)*

- BU 201 Principles of Economics I
- BU 202 Principles of Economics II
- GEO 101 Elements of World Geography
- POL 101 Basic Concepts of Political Science

POL 201 American Government

*D. Human Behavior (3 hours)*

PSY 101 General Psychology

PSY 206 Human Growth and Development

SOC 201 Principles of Sociology

*E. Assessment*

UN 399 CAAP Test (0)

**Total 49-53 hours**

Some Colleges and Institutes maintain minimum standards for core requirements, demanding a minimum grade of C in all such classes. Students are encouraged to complete most of the core curriculum during the freshman and sophomore years. They should consult other sections of this Bulletin or their advisors about the standards for their specific majors.

## MUW CORE CURRICULUM

### Check List

- \_\_\_ **Written Communication (6 hours)**  
(Minimum Grade of C Required)
  - \_\_\_ EN 101 English Composition (3)
  - \_\_\_ EN 300 Advanced Composition (3)
  - \_\_\_ History of Civilization (6)
  - \_\_\_ HIS 101 History of Civilization I (3)
  - \_\_\_ HIS 102 History of Civilization II (3)
- \_\_\_ **Literature and Fine Arts (9)**  
At least one course from Literature and one course from Fine Arts
  - \_\_\_ **Literature Survey (3 or 6)**
    - \_\_\_ EN 201 Survey of English Literature I (3)
    - \_\_\_ EN 202 Survey of English Literature II (3)
    - \_\_\_ EN 203 Survey of American Literature I (3)
    - \_\_\_ EN 204 Survey of American Literature II (3)
    - \_\_\_ \*EN 231 Survey of World Literature I (3)
    - \_\_\_ \*EN 232 Survey of World Literature II (3)
    - \_\_\_ FLF 311 Survey of French Literature I (3)
    - \_\_\_ FLF 312 Survey of French Literature II (3)
    - \_\_\_ FLS 311 Survey of Spanish Literature I (3)
    - \_\_\_ FLS 312 Survey of Spanish Literature II (3)
  - \_\_\_ **Fine Arts History/Appreciation (3 or 6)**
    - \_\_\_ ART 102 Art Appreciation (3)
    - \_\_\_ ART 211 Art History Survey I (3)
    - \_\_\_ ART 212 Art History Survey II (3)
    - \_\_\_ DAN 110 Dance Appreciation (3)
    - \_\_\_ MUS 100 Music Appreciation (3)
    - \_\_\_ MUS 105 Introduction to Music Literature (3)
    - \_\_\_ TH 175 Theatre Appreciation (3)
  - \_\_\_ **Natural Sciences (w/lab) (8)**
    - \_\_\_ BSB 101 General Biology I w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ BSB 102 General Biology II w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ BSB 201 Humans: Origins, Ecology w/BSB 102L (4)
    - \_\_\_ BSM 131 General Microbiology w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ PSC 111 General Chemistry I w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ PSC 112 General Chemistry II w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ PSP 211 General Physics I w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ PSP 212 General Physics II w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ PSP 213 General Physics I w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ PSP 214 General Physics II w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ SM 101 Environmental Science I w/lab (4)
    - \_\_\_ SM 102 Environmental Science II w/lab (4)
  - \_\_\_ **Physical Education (2)**
    - \_\_\_ HKC (1)
    - \_\_\_ HK activity course or additional different HKC (1)
  - \_\_\_ **Mathematics (3)**
    - \_\_\_ MA 113 or higher (excluding MA 123 Statistics)

- Course: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ **Other Quantifying & Technology Skills (3)**
    - \_\_\_ Mathematics above MA 113 (3)
    - \_\_\_ Computer applications or computer programming (3)
  - \_\_\_ **Oral Communication (3)**
    - \_\_\_ COM 101 Oral Communication (3)
  - \_\_\_ **Critical Thinking Skills (3)**
    - \_\_\_ PHL 201 Introduction to Philosophy (3)
    - \_\_\_ PHL 202 Aesthetics (3)
    - \_\_\_ PHL 204 Ethics (3)
    - \_\_\_ PHL 205 Logic (3)
    - \_\_\_ PHL 206 Sport Ethics (3)
    - \_\_\_ PHL 306 Business Ethics (3)
    - \_\_\_ PHL 307 Medical Ethics (3)
    - \_\_\_ Human Behavior (3)
    - \_\_\_ PSY 101 General Psychology (3)
    - \_\_\_ PSY 206 Human Growth and Dev. (3)
    - \_\_\_ SOC 201 Principles of Sociology (3)
  - \_\_\_ **Social Institutions (3)**
    - \_\_\_ BU 201 Principles of Economics I (3)
    - \_\_\_ BU 202 Principles of Economics II (3)
    - \_\_\_ \*GEO 101 Elements World Geography (3)
    - \_\_\_ POL 101 Basic Concepts Political Science (3)
    - \_\_\_ POL 201 American Government (3)
  - \_\_\_ **\*Intercultural Studies (3)**
    - \_\_\_ EN 231 World Literature I (3)
    - \_\_\_ EN 232 World Literature II (3)
    - \_\_\_ GEO 101 Elements of World Geography (3)
    - \_\_\_ REL 213 Religions of the World (3)
  - \_\_\_ **Language Course (non-English course) (3)**
  - \_\_\_ **Approved study-abroad course (3)**
  - \_\_\_ **Meeting the Challenge of College (0-1)**
    - \_\_\_ UN 101 Introduction to College Life

*Note: Students transferring to MUW with at least 12 hours earned are not required to take UN 101.*

- \_\_\_ **Institutional Assessment**
- \_\_\_ UN 399 CAAP Test

*\*These courses will also satisfy the Intercultural Studies core requirement.*

## **POST-BACCALAUREATE CORE**

In order to qualify for a second baccalaureate degree, the student must earn at least 25 percent of the required hours in residence following the completion of the first Bachelor's degree and meet all academic requirements for the desired degree. Note: 50 percent of the major hours must be earned at MUW.

Students entering MUW in pursuit of a second undergraduate degree must meet the following core requirements:

### **English (9 hours)**

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English Composition (6 hours)  
Literature (3 hours)

**Laboratory Science (8 hours)**

Biological or Physical

**Mathematics (3 hours)**

College Algebra or above, excluding MA 123 Statistics

**Oral Communication (3 hours)**

**Philosophy (3 hours)**

**History (3 hours)**

**Fine Arts (3 hours)**

**Mathematics above College Algebra or Computer Applications/Programming (3 hours)**

**Four additional hours of liberal arts courses**

**ONE-CREDIT COURSES**

One-credit courses may be used toward elective hours for graduation requirements. However, no accumulation of one-credit elective courses may be used to satisfy a Core requirement.

**PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH**

Proficiency in English, both written and spoken, is required of all students. Students deficient in English may be referred to the Department of Languages, Literature, and Philosophy or Academic Support Services for remediation to correct the deficiency.

The ACT score in English, required of all entering students, is used to determine the level at which each student should begin English composition. All entering freshmen with an ACT English subtest score of 16 or below will be required to take EN 100 during their first semester of enrollment and will be required to enroll in EN 100 until a passing grade is earned.

**English Composition Requirement**

All students must take EN 101 in their first year. A student must earn a grade of C or higher in EN 101 and EN 300 to satisfy the English composition requirement. These courses may not be fulfilled through correspondence courses. Transfer students may satisfy the English Composition requirement by completing two semesters of Freshman composition with a grade of C or higher prior to enrolling at MUW.

**HEALTH AND KINESIOLOGY REQUIREMENT**

Two credit hours in kinesiology are required for graduation with a bachelor's degree from the University. Within the two-hour requirement, at least one of the courses must have a physical fitness component. These courses are designated HKC. Credits in kinesiology transferred from other colleges are accepted. Exemptions from the kinesiology requirement are granted to

students for medical reasons. Students must solicit the support of a physician who then mails the exemption request to the Department Chair of Health and Kinesiology.

Only one credit hour in Kinesiology is required in the Associate of Science in Nursing program. This course must have a HKC designation.

### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF NURSING AND SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**

The College of Nursing and Speech Language Pathology has special standards relating to grades and transfer credit. Please see the appropriate sections in this catalog for these requirements.

### **MAJOR AND MINOR REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Declaration of a Major**

Degree seeking students who have earned 60 or more credit hours are not permitted to remain undeclared, but must select a major before they can register for additional coursework. Students may change majors, but may not change back to undeclared. Declaring a major involves completing the appropriate paperwork with the chosen academic Department.

#### **Change of Major**

In any given semester, students are permitted to change their major, provided they do so between the first day of class and the last day to drop without academic penalty. See the academic calendar for specific dates.

### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

Major coursework requires at least 30 semester hours while minor coursework requires no more than 24 and no fewer than 18. When attempting to satisfy requirements, students may not count any particular courses toward both a major and a minor.

For specific major and minor requirements, see the appropriate College/Institute listing in this Bulletin. In planning a program, students should solicit the guidance of their faculty advisor. Students seeking certification to teach on the secondary level must fulfill the requirements for the specific curriculum in the College of Education and Human Sciences.

Transfer students who wish to receive a degree from Mississippi University for Women must complete at least fifty percent of the credit hours required in both their major and their minor in residence at MUW. Community/junior college transfer students must earn at least 50% of their academic credit from a senior institution. All transfer students must earn at least 25% of the hours required for their degree from MUW.

### **SPECIALIZED CURRICULA**

The University offers various specialized degrees, such as the Bachelor of Fine Arts and Bachelor of Music degrees. Students electing any of the specialized curricula pursue the course of studies particular to the degree. For details on the above cited BFA and the BM degrees, see the respective sections of this Bulletin for

the Department of Art and Design and the Department of Music and Theater.

### **DOUBLE MAJORS**

Students may have more than one major; however, when attempting to satisfy the requirements for multiple majors within the same College or Institute, students may not count any major course in more than one program of study, but must satisfy the credit hour requirements without duplication. If a student is graduating with two majors, the first major listed will be comparable to the degree received. Both majors will be recorded on the transcript.

### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree must complete the following courses in their academic program:

8 semester hours of Laboratory Science  
3 semester hours of Mathematics MA 113 or higher (excluding MA 123)  
6 semester hours of Science and/or Mathematics  
3 semester hours of additional mathematics above MA 113 or computer applications/programming course

A total of 20 hours is required, and students may not double count credit hours in the above categories.

A minimum of 124 semester hours is necessary for graduation under this curriculum; however, some programs may require additional hours beyond the minimum.

### **BACHELOR OF ARTS REQUIREMENTS**

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must include the following courses (or demonstrate equivalent competency) in their academic program:

Foreign Language 101-102	8 semester hours
Foreign Language 201-202	6 semester hours

To fulfill the language requirement for the B.A., students must complete the 202 level or above in a foreign language. For information on foreign language placement, see the Department of Languages, Literature, and Philosophy section in this Bulletin. If, upon entering the University, a student already has sufficient background to be successful in 201-202, he/she does not need to enroll in 101-102. The requirement is in essence six hours credit at the 200-level or above.

While a minimum of 124 hours is required for graduation under this curriculum, some programs may stipulate additional credit hours beyond the minimum.

### **BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS REQUIREMENTS**

The prescribed course of study for those pursuing a Bachelor of

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Fine Arts degree can be found in the Department of Art and Design section of this Bulletin. A minimum of 124 hours is required for graduation under this curriculum; however, the stipulated credit hours of some areas of emphasis may exceed 124 hours.

### **BACHELOR OF MUSIC REQUIREMENTS**

In addition to the general core requirements, the student must complete the prescribed course of study in Music Education or Music Therapy. The specific curriculum stipulated for those pursuing a Bachelor of Music degree can be found in the section of this Bulletin labeled Department of Music and Theater.

### **ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING REQUIREMENTS**

The Associate of Science in Nursing Program is two years in length and is designed to provide high school graduates, as well as those who already have a practical nursing license, with the opportunity to obtain an Associate of Science in Nursing degree. The two-year curriculum consists of 72 semester hours, approximately 50% in general education and 50% in nursing. Upon receiving an Associate of Science in Nursing degree, the student is recommended for the State Board of Nursing Licensure Examination, the successful completion of which entitles the nurse to be called an RN (Registered Nurse). Please see the material entitled Undergraduate Admissions: Admission Plans-Nursing in of this Bulletin for additional information regarding the Board of Nursing's licensure protocol. For curriculum information, see the section on the College of Nursing and Speech Language Pathology in this Bulletin.

### **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING REQUIREMENTS**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing is a four-year program (128 semester hours) combining general and nursing education courses. The program provides qualified students with an opportunity to earn a baccalaureate degree in nursing. Upon successful completion of the program, the student is recommended for the State Board of Nursing Licensure Exam, the successful completion of which entitles the nurse to the designation RN (Registered Nurse). Please see the Material entitled Undergraduate Admissions: Admission Plans-Nursing in this Bulletin for additional information regarding the Board of Nursing is licensure protocol. Graduates of this program are prepared to accept professional nursing positions, to function in a variety of settings, and/or to continue their formal training in a graduate nursing program. For curriculum information, see the section on the College of Nursing and Speech-Language Pathology in this Bulletin.

## **Program Opportunities**

### **ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

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The goal of Academic Support Services is to facilitate the academic progress of all students. Students who need academic assistance are aided through a variety of services designed to increase their chances for success. Advanced students have the opportunity to develop mentoring and teaching skills and to enhance their study techniques prior to entering either graduate/professional school or the job market.

Academic Support Services offers peer tutoring, guided study sessions, and individual academic counseling. Group workshops are scheduled on a variety of topics, such as test taking, note taking, and time management. Students may also receive support in their preparation for graduate school entry exams, such as the MCAT and GRE.

Academic Support Services maintains a library of study guides, study skills books, computer tutorials, video tutorials, and handouts that offer instruction in effective learning and study strategies. Students receive individualized instruction in the utilization of computer tutorials and the implementation of newly-acquired study techniques.

### **STUDENTS WITH DIAGNOSED DISABILITIES**

Academic Support Services ensures that students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to learn and to express their knowledge. MUW students with disabilities who are requesting accommodations should contact the Director of Academic Support Services at (662) 329-7138.

### **FIRST YEAR PROGRAM**

The First Year Program is designed to acquaint new students with college life and to assist them in clarifying and planning academic and career goals. The one credit course, UN 101 Introduction to College Life, is required of all first-year students, as well as those who transfer with fewer than twelve hours. Special emphasis is placed on monitoring the academic progress of students during their first semester of enrollment.

### **DEGREE CREDIT FOR PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

Students who immediately enter approved schools of law, medicine, dentistry, or engineering after completing their junior year at Mississippi University for Women may qualify for the B.A. or B.S. degree by transferring to MUW credits earned during the first year of the professional school. However, all other university requirements for the undergraduate degree must have been met. The College deans and faculty advisors will help students in planning their course of study to meet the requirements for admission to the professional school of their choice.

### **INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION**

MUW facilitates international experiences through the recruitment of international students, the arrangement of study abroad

experiences, the promotion of international events on campus, and the inclusion of global perspectives in the curriculum.

The Office of Admissions actively recruits students throughout the world. The Office of Diversity Education helps international students adjust to life on campus, encourages their involvement in campus activities, and coordinates several events each year to heighten multicultural awareness. The International Student Association, composed of foreign as well as American students, facilitates unique social and educational opportunities.

Students interested in study abroad opportunities should contact the Coordinator of Study Abroad Programs. Arrangements can be made to study abroad at institutions in England, France, Japan, and Mexico as well as other countries.

Every year MUW sponsors an International Series on the culture and politics of a specific country or region. For more information contact the Coordinator of the International Series.

### **THE INA E. GORDY HONORS COLLEGE**

MUW's Honors College is designed to serve the academic needs of honors students. Successful completion of the Honors College curriculum entitles students to graduate from the institution with honors in their major area of study. In order to be certified for graduation with departmental honors, students must complete all requirements of the program, including but not limited to the written and oral presentations of the independent study project.

Required of Centennial and some other scholarship recipients, but open to application from other academically strong students, the Honors College provides an opportunity for academically talented and motivated students to participate in a learning experience that is more intensive and innovative. The Honors College encourages and nurtures intellectual curiosity and advanced scholarship and meets the unique learning needs of talented students by offering honors sections of core requirements, interdisciplinary study, and independent research. Honors students are expected to exhibit excellence not only in their grades but also in their intellectual curiosity.

Entering freshmen may apply for admission to the Honors College if they have a composite ACT score of 24 (or equivalent on other entrance exams). After their first semester in residence, students may enter the Honors College on the basis of a grade point average of at least 3.30 after 15 semester hours of credit, 3.50 GPA after 30 semester hours of credit, 3.70 after 60 semester hours of credit. Only transfer students may enter the Honors College after the sophomore year.

Students who transfer to MUW at the beginning of their junior year may apply for admission to the Honors College if they have at least a 3.70 GPA on sixty transferable hours. They must take the following courses: the equivalent of a year of foreign language, HO 303 (two sections), HO 401 and HO 402.

The Honors College expects participants to maintain high GPAs. All honors students must maintain at least a 3.00; students entering the Independent Study must have at least a 3.30. If a student falls below the required cumulative GPA at the end of a given semester, the Director of the Honors College will put that student on honors probation for one semester. If, by the end of the subsequent semester in which the student is enrolled at MUW, the student does not have the required cumulative GPA, the student will be dismissed from the Honors College. The student will receive written notification from the Director of Honors at the beginning of the probation period and at the time of dismissal.

**Courses Required for the Honors College:**

HO 101 Honors Forum (4 semesters)  
Foreign Language (the equivalent of 2 semesters)  
HO 303 Special Topics Seminar (2 sections)  
HO 401 Independent Study I  
HO 402 Independent Study II

**Select 3 of the following:**

EN 101 English Composition (Honors)  
HIS 101 History of Civilization I (Honors)  
HIS 102 History of Civilization II (Honors)  
BSB 101 General Biology I (Honors) and BSB 101L General Biology I Lab  
BSB 102 General Biology II (Honors) and BSB 102L General Biology II Lab  
PSP 213 General Physics (Calculus-Based)  
PSP 214 General Physics (Calculus-Based)  
MA 130 Precalculus or higher level mathematics course

**The Residential Honors Program**

The Residential Honors Program, a division of the Honors College, supplements the Honors curriculum with an innovative living and learning experience for freshman and sophomore honors students. Participants live together in the same residence hall and take Honors classes together their first and second years, and study abroad together the summer after the second year. These students benefit from the intense faculty-student interaction and from the sense of belonging to a community of scholars. Admission to this program is by application only, and spaces in the program are limited. Interested students should contact the Director of the Honors College.

**ROTC PROGRAM**

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps (Air Force and Army) are under the administrative and academic supervision of the College of Arts and Sciences at Mississippi State University.

**AIR FORCE ROTC**

The ROTC program is directed by Lt. Col. Terry Dickensheet, Professor of Aerospace Studies at Mississippi State University.

The Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (AFROTC)

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program in combination with the major degree requirements at MUW earn the graduate a commission as Air Force second lieutenant. The Air Force program requirements include 12 hours of upper division AFROTC courses and a four or six-week summer program. All courses must be taken on the campus of Mississippi State University.

For information on the Air Force ROTC program, students should contact Lt. Col. Dickensheet at AFROTC Detachment 425, Mississippi State University, 202 Middleton Hall, P.O. Box AF, Mississippi State, MS 39762-5537, (662) 325-3810, email: [afrotc@afrotc.msstate.edu](mailto:afrotc@afrotc.msstate.edu), <http://www.msstate.edu/dept/afrotc/>.

## **ARMY ROTC PROGRAM**

The Director of Army ROTC is Lt. Colonel Marcus Majure, Professor of Military Science at Mississippi State University

### **Purpose and Objectives**

The objective of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps is to develop the student's understanding of associated professional knowledge, to nurture a sense of personal integrity, responsibility, and honor, and to cultivate an appreciation for the problems of national security.

The total number of ROTC hours allowable as elective credit toward a specific degree varies according to institution and program. Most University programs accept six (6) or more hours of ROTC toward graduation. Contact the MUW registrar for information regarding the maximum allowable credit for ROTC.

The Army ROTC Basic Course introduces first and second year students to the institution and its many career opportunities but does not require commitment to future military service. The Advanced Course, which is designed for third and fourth year students, stresses the knowledge and skill, both military and interpersonal, that is required of commissioned officers in the Active Army, Army Reserve, and Army National Guard.

For information on the Army ROTC program, students should contact Lt. Colonel Majure at Mississippi State University, Department of Military Science, P.O. Box 5447, Mississippi State, MS 39762, 1-800-811-5013. The web site for the Army ROTC program is <http://www.msstate.edu/dept/militaryscience/>.