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Heritage, Governance, Mission

A Heritage Unsurpassed...

Austin College has a heritage unsurpassed in Texas higher education, a heritage that is enriched and invigorated by innovative programs, faculty, and facilities. With more than 160 years of service, Austin College has a distinguished reputation for its commitment to learning, leadership, and lasting values.

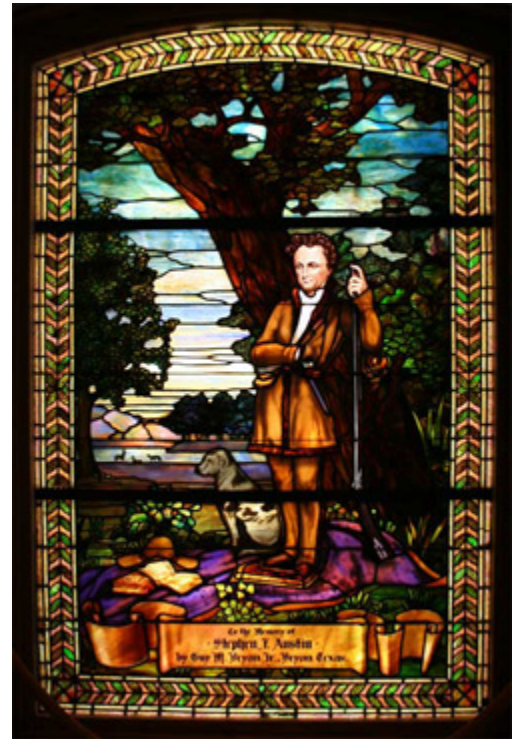
Dr. Daniel Baker, principal organizer of the college in 1849, was a Princeton-educated Presbyterian missionary. From its founding by Brazos Presbytery, Austin College has been related to the Presbyterian Church, and that relationship has given distinctive flavor to its rich and influential history.

With General Sam Houston and Anson Jones, presidents of the Republic of Texas, on the original Board of Trustees, Austin College was granted a charter in November 1849. This charter was modeled after those of Harvard, Yale, and Princeton and is still in use today. The college opened in Huntsville and admitted its first class in the fall of 1850.

In 1876, Austin College moved to Sherman. Austin College became coeducational in 1918. Then in 1930, the college merged with Texas Presbyterian College, an institution for women. Expansion and development were interrupted by the Depression and World War II. Beginning in the 1950s, the college engaged in extensive experimentation aimed at improving the traditional liberal arts curriculum. In 1972, the college began to install the comprehensive educational program that with some modifications still shapes the academic life and curriculum of the college.

Today, Austin College's fully networked 70-acre campus is characterized by excellent facilities that include both historical structures and modern architecture. Most recently the newly constructed IDEA Center is a multi-disciplinary building of approximately 103,000 square feet which includes contemporary classrooms and multi-purpose laboratories that support today's hands-on, experiential science curricula. The IDEA Center expands opportunities for faculty-student research and facilitates access to research and information. Native landscaping and a decorative pond offer environmental education opportunities as well as aesthetic features. The IDEA Center was awarded LEED® Gold in a rating system established by the U.S. Green Building Council and verified by the Green Building Certification Institute (GBCI). The Betsy Dennis Forster Art Studio Complex, which houses programs in art and art history, was dedicated in spring 2008. Other recent facilities include the John A. and Katherine G. Jackson Technology Center, which supports instructional technology for faculty and students, and the Robert J. and Mary Wright Campus Center, which provides a modern home for student activities and social events.

Located within 30 minutes driving distance, the Robbie Kubela Rogers Lake Campus of Austin College is situated on Lake Texoma and is used by members of the college community for recreational activities, retreats, meetings, and camping. The college also operates five environmental research areas in Grayson County.



General Information

Governance

As specified by Austin College's charter from the State of Texas, the Board of Trustees has ultimate responsibility for the college's policies, resources, and programs. Through a covenant with the Synod of the Sun of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the trustees pledge that Austin College will continue to serve as an instrument for the church in higher education both by fostering an understanding of the Judeo-Christian tradition and by reflecting the values of that tradition. The Board of Trustees evaluates the operation of the institution and delegates to the president, the chief executive officer, the overall responsibility for its operation.

Mission of Austin College

Austin College is a private, residential, co-educational college dedicated to educating undergraduate students in the liberal arts and sciences while also offering select pre-professional programs and a graduate teacher education program. Founded by the Presbyterian Church in 1849,

Austin College continues its relationship with the church and its commitment to a heritage that values personal growth, justice, community, and service. An Austin College education emphasizes academic excellence, intellectual and personal integrity, and participation in community life. Thus Austin College affirms the importance of:

- * A community that through its size, diversity, and programs fosters lively intellectual and social interaction among persons of different origins, experiences, beliefs, accomplishments, and goals
- * A program that does not discriminate with regard to religion or creed, gender, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, physical disability, age, or economic status
- * A faculty that acknowledges teaching, sustained by active commitment to professional growth and development, as its primary responsibility
- * A student body of committed learners, actively involved in the programs of the college and in service to the greater community
- * A climate of civility and respect that encourages free inquiry and the open expression of ideas
- * A non-sectarian education that fosters the exploration and development of values through an awareness of the world's religious, philosophical, and cultural traditions

The mission of Austin College is to educate students in the liberal arts and sciences in order to prepare them for rewarding careers and for full, engaged, and meaningful lives.



Campus Life, Principles, Residence Life

Campus Life

A community of students, faculty, staff, and administrators reflects the values of caring, respect, responsibility, gratitude, and service. The collective members identify and support the needs of the students and the program goals of the college. Not only do students have opportunities for involvement in a wide range of activities, including residence life, campus publications, religious affairs, cultural conferences, leadership training programs, social and recreational activities, service programs in the community, student organizations, and athletics, they also participate in the administration and operation of programs.



College Principles

In 1981, the Board of Trustees reaffirmed the college community's principles of integrity and of responsibility to shared commitments and standards. These principles continue to be vital to the operation of the college and are integral to its educational philosophy. Central to this philosophy are the concepts of individual development and responsibility, commitment to community and profession, and centrality of learning, faith, and values. The principles provide guiding ideals from which standards of conduct are derived for each of the groups that constitute the active college community—students, faculty, administrative staff, and support staff. Although the principles are common to all, their translation into specific standards, rules, and policies depends upon the special roles and responsibilities that the members of each group assume in an academic community. Professional standards and obligations further strengthen and support the principles of the whole community, which constitute the foundation of the college's judicial structure. The standards, rules, and policies of the community's four primary constituent groups comprise the cornerstones for that structure.

With the revision of the judicial system in 1988-1989, Austin College reaffirmed its commitment to the ideal of community membership, to individual responsibility, common goals and expectations, and the highest standards of integrity. The college also has recognized the special roles and responsibilities of its constituencies and has affirmed the specific standards and codes of conduct of the groups. These commitments and affirmations are expressed in two fundamental statements of principle:

The College Principle of Shared Commitments and Purposes

Persons who participate in the life of Austin College—as students, faculty, or staff—are expected to support the shared commitments and purposes of the college as expressed in the Charter, the Mission Statement, and the Statement of Commitment and Principles. Individuals also are expected to abide by the shared standards of the college community and the standards and codes of conduct of their respective groups within the community. The commitments, purposes, and standards of the college and its constituent groups are central to the partnership between individual members and the institution.

The College Principle of Integrity

It is the responsibility of each individual to act with honesty and integrity in personal, social, and academic relationships, and with consideration and concern for the entire college community and its members. Individuals and groups should not engage in conduct which causes harm to other individuals or the community as a whole.

Academic Integrity Principle

In keeping with its educational mission, Austin College places a high value on academic integrity and does not tolerate cheating and other forms of abuse of the academic process. The faculty and officers of the college assume that entering students, in accepting admission to Austin College, are aware that they will submit themselves to a high standard of academic honesty, and agree to follow the norms and procedures by which the college observes and enforces this standard.

The judicial policies of the college for students, faculty, and staff are contained in the college's Operational Guide. These policies include the "Non-Academic Code of Student Conduct," "Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedures," "Student/Instructor Disagreements on Course-Related Issues," "Judicial Guidelines and Procedures for the Faculty," and the "Policy on Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault, and Sexual Violence," which apply to the entire campus. The Operational Guide also includes judicial policies and procedures for administrative and support staff. Policies that pertain to students also are described in Environment (the student handbook) and Outback Guide. The Outback Guide serves as a communication tool providing faculty, staff, and students with campus-wide information including campus crime statistics, affirmative action statement, sexual harassment policy, and graduation rates. These policies also are accessible on the Austin College Web site.

Statement on Harassment and Discrimination

Austin College is committed to the development of a community based on respect for individual rights, personal and community integrity, and individual responsibility. Given these commitments, students, faculty, and staff acknowledge that discrimination and/or harassment based on age, disability, national origin, race, religion, or status as a veteran is unacceptable. While not a protected category under federal law, discrimination and/or harassment based on sexual preference is similarly unacceptable. Discrimination or harassment may take many forms, including, but not limited to, verbal insults, defacement or destruction of property, and physical intimidation. To fulfill its mission as a church-related, liberal arts institution, Austin College encourages a climate that values the uniqueness of the individual, celebrates human differences, and discourages bigotry in all forms.

Students who believe they have experienced harassment or discrimination for any reason may seek recourse by conferring with the dean of students (Wright Campus Center 201, ext. 2306). Complainants will be informed and advised regarding their options to seek an informal resolution or to file formal charges. An informal resolution may be sought with the assistance of the vice president for Student Affairs and Athletics. If the student wishes to file formal charges or an attempt to reach an informal resolution is not successful, charges will be processed through the appropriate disciplinary procedures for students, faculty, support staff, or administrative staff.

Faculty and staff who believe they have experienced harassment or discrimination shall follow the procedures outlined in the respective judicial policies in the Operational Guide or work through the dean of students if a student is involved.

Students, faculty, and staff who believe they have experienced sexual harassment may contact any vice president or the director of Human Resources. If a complaint is made to anyone else, the complainant risks the possibility that it will not come to the attention of the appropriate authorities and may, therefore, not be acted upon. The Sexual Harassment Committee provides educational programs for the Austin College community.

Residence Life

The philosophy of education supported by Austin College encompasses the whole person. It recognizes the importance of social and physical development as well as intellectual development. Significant growth and development are found in the association and interaction of individuals in the residence hall community. Residential living and other campus-wide experiences offer intentional, active learning opportunities and events to support and encourage students' development.



Students admitted as first-year students must live in on-campus housing designated by Austin College for a minimum of six 14-week semesters, including January Term, or the equivalent of three academic years. Students admitted as transfer students must live in on-campus housing designated by Austin College for a minimum of four 14-week semesters including January Term, or the equivalent of two academic years.

Each long semester during which a student is enrolled full time studying abroad in a location that is approved and documented by Austin College will count toward the number of semesters necessary to fulfill the Austin College residency requirement.

All students residing in on-campus housing are expected to be enrolled for the full-time equivalent of no less than three courses. Students residing in on-campus housing must subscribe to a meal-plan membership as provided by the college. All entering new students (freshmen) will be assigned at least a 7-day meal plan.

Exemption to the college residency requirement may be granted for those full-time students who are either married or have legal custody of a child that lives with him/her. Students who are 24 years of age or older at the time of matriculation will be granted a waiver of the Austin College residency requirement. Such exemptions will be granted upon receipt of related documentation and the completion of the Austin College Intent to Live Off-Campus form. For further information, refer to the Financial Aid section.

There are five residence halls on campus. Caruth Hall is designated as a women's residence, while Baker houses male students. Dean Hall, Clyde Hall, and Jordan Family Language House are coeducational residences. The college operates Bryan Apartments, The Flats at Brockett Court, Johnson 'Roo Suites, and The Village on Grand, which are available to juniors, seniors, and graduate students.

Assignment of Rooms

A housing application is sent after an applicant has paid the matriculation fee. However, before making the actual residence hall assignment, the college must have received the student's eighth semester high school transcript, the deposit, a housing contract, and the Myers Briggs inventory. Notifications of roommate assignment generally occur by the middle of June.

Description of Rooms

Most rooms in the residence halls are double occupancy, with the cost higher for a single room, if available. Freshman and sophomore students are expected to have roommates. Each room is furnished with the following items per occupant: a single bed, desk, chair, chest, wardrobe/closet, and a high-speed computer network port along with wireless Internet. Students must provide all linens and any other accessories. Free laundry facilities exist in all residential facilities. All correspondence concerning assignment of rooms in the residence halls should be addressed to the Student Life Office.

Residence Hall Staff

Residence halls are staffed by professional area coordinators, student resident assistants (RAs), and student resident managers (RMs). Area coordinators live in one of the residential facilities that they supervise and are responsible for the overall operation of the halls. RAs are generally assigned to living areas that have a concentration of first-year students so that they can facilitate adjustment to college by serving as a positive peer influence. RAs assist all students in the residence hall with a range of concerns. Resident managers staff Jordan Family Language House, Johnson 'Roo Suites/Bryan Apartments, and The Flats at Brockett Court. The staff, as well as the hall councils, assists in providing social activities, recreational events, educational programs, and other experiential learning opportunities that encourage student success.

Residence Hall Government

All residence halls are organized using a similar general pattern. The elected hall officers represent residents in planning social functions, designing and maintaining an environment conducive to living and learning, and working to secure the extra services or equipment requested by the residents. The Residence Hall Council assumes some of the responsibility for the organized activities of the hall/complex by implementing guidelines and for helping to enforce regulations within the hall.

Additional information about residence life can be found in the student handbook, Environment, on the Austin College website, or by contacting the Student Life Office.

Athletics

Austin College encourages competition in intercollegiate athletics and participation in intramurals, club sports, and outdoor recreation, and considers these activities an important component of the college's educational program. The college affiliates nationally with the NCAA Division III and competes as a member of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) an athletic conference comprised of national liberal arts Division III colleges in California, Colorado, Louisiana, and Texas.



Intercollegiate varsity sports for men include football, baseball, basketball, tennis, swimming and diving, and soccer. Similarly, women compete in basketball, cross country, volleyball, tennis, swimming and diving, soccer, and softball.

Students will have access to financial aid for college without the obligation of an athletics scholarship. All decisions concerning financial aid in any form are made without regard to student athletic ability or participation. Each intercollegiate participant must meet all NCAA Division III eligibility standards and must be a full-time student. Students are not eligible to represent their team in intercollegiate athletic competition during the period of any type of probation or deferred suspension, unless a specific exception was included in the written notice of probation or deferred suspension.

In addition to physical activity courses and athletics, students may participate throughout their college years in various recreational and intramural activities. Intramural programs in a variety of sports and other leisure activities exist for both men and women throughout the year.

Religious Programs

Austin College's historic and ongoing relationship to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) may be most fully seen through discussion of what that relationship enables the college to offer—to students, to the church, and to the world. In addition to being well-informed critical thinkers, graduates should be ethically, socially, and spiritually mature.

For this reason, Austin College provides a variety of religious life programs that encourage spiritual growth and seek to meet the spiritual needs of the entire community. Through weekly worship services, Bible studies, discussion groups, lecture series, and other activities involving Christian and non-Christian students, the religious life program seeks to support and take seriously the spiritual lives and growth of all students.



The religious life program also includes the Service Station, a student-led program that coordinates participation by Austin College students, faculty, and staff in community service projects.

The religious life program includes the ACTivators, a group of students who provide leadership for regional and national Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) youth ministry events, as well as the regular publication of the AColyte, a “Journal of Faith, Doubt, and Other Things at Austin College.”

Benefactors have endowed two religious lectureships. The Robert Girard Lowe lectures and the Shem Cunningham lectures bring to the campus outstanding leaders.

Other Opportunities for Participation and Involvement

World Affairs

Through service projects and work programs, students participate in world affairs educational opportunities. Descriptions of many summer service opportunities are on file in the Office of Church Relations and Religious Life. These may be examined and discussed with the college chaplain. Additional information about field studies and off-campus credit programs is available in the section Off-Campus Opportunities, which also describes opportunities for study abroad.

Lectures and Convocations

Austin College seeks to provide a balanced program of lectures addressing subjects of interest and controversy to Austin College students, faculty, staff, and to particular groups within the Austin College community. Most lectures are open to the public. Formal convocations, the occasion of major college ceremonies, i.e., Opening of School, Honors Convocation, Baccalaureate, Commencement, etc., are designed for members of the entire community as a celebration of their life together.

Cultural Programs and Groups

Theatre productions, music ensembles, lectures and public programs, and art exhibits offer students opportunities for cultural appreciation and involvement.

Other programs that help fulfill various needs of the college community include Homecoming events and the Community Series, cultural programming sponsored by the college and the Sherman Musical Arts Council.

Additional information about opportunities for involvement in cultural activities can be obtained by contacting the faculty chairs of the art, music, and communication studies departments.

Service Station

The Service Station is a student-run office that promotes the involvement of all Austin College students in volunteer and community service efforts. The program is administered by a student board that works to identify and promote service opportunities and to match interested students and student organizations with individuals and groups who need assistance. For further information, contact the Service Station on the first floor of Wright Campus Center.



Campus Publications

The college publishes a magazine, a campus newspaper, a literary magazine, a student research journal, and a yearbook. These publications offer opportunities for creative expression and contribute to the cultural awareness of the college community.

Student publications at Austin College are governed by policies set by the Student Publications Committee of the college. Both the *Chromascope*, yearbook, and the Austin College Observer, the campus newspaper, are directly responsible to this committee. Suspension, the literary magazine, and Acumen, the student research journal, come under these same policies, but are under the direction of the English Department with a member of that department serving as their advisor.

While these publications are funded primarily by student activity fees and the sale of advertising, each still is considered a publication of the college and the parameters of editorial policy are decided by the Student Publications Committee, with responsibility delegated to the editor and advisor of each publication to operate within the parameters. The president of the college, as publisher, has ultimate authority over the publications and their contents. However, unless extreme circumstances warrant intervention, the Student Publications Committee, the editors, and advisors retain such rights as described above.

Student Support

Counseling Services

Counseling services on a short-term basis are available to assist students in dealing with personal issues and emotional concerns. Individual counseling sessions, self-help resources, and workshops on various topics are offered on campus to assist students with their psychological well-being and individual development. Students may use this service by making a confidential appointment at Adams Center. There are no fees for these services. The counselor also is available as a resource for referral information on area professionals for long-term counseling.

Academic Skills Center

The Academic Skills Center (ASC) provides a free academic support service for students through individual tutoring and group workshops designed to strengthen reading, writing, and study skills. Peer tutors may offer content-area tutoring, as available and as needed, in such courses as biology, chemistry, calculus, economics, and foreign language. Tutors also assist student writers as they prepare essays for classes. Tutors are available to help at any stage of the writing process, from generating ideas to reviewing a complete rough draft. The ASC staff conducts free workshops on various topics such as note-taking, time and stress management, test-taking, and writing. ASC tutors also host and facilitate group study sessions for specific classes throughout the academic year. As students prepare to apply to graduate schools, they can receive feedback on application letters for colleges, scholarships, and fellowships.



The Academic Skills Center's programs help students develop the learning skills and study habits they need to be successful academically at Austin College. All students, regardless of their year in school or their level of accomplishment, can benefit from the services provided by the Academic Skills Center.



Career Services

The mission of Austin College Career Services:

Seek. Provide students with a framework and tools to assess Strengths, Interests, and Values

Connect. Guide students in their career development through Occupational Exploration, Experiential Learning, Reflection, and Networking

Build. Teach and coach students to strategically implement their Liberal Arts Education and personal career goals in an ever-evolving world

Ideally, students will begin this process in their first year of college, continuing over the course of their academic careers. Upon graduation, they will emerge with the requisite career/life planning skills, prepared to implement their educational experiences in the professional world.

In addition to individual advising, Career Services offers regularly scheduled workshops and sessions tailored to students' needs using specifically designed programs for freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

Career resources include career development literature, an informative website, and specific job and internship listings posted on Roo Connect, Job and Internship posting system. Career Services also provides access to FOCUS2 On-Line Career Management System. This program is available online and assists in assessing Interests, Personality, Values, and Skills identifying possible occupations related to a student's profile. Career Services coordinates visits by employment recruiters and graduate/professional schools, giving undergraduates, employers, and schools a forum for interaction and discussion. Alumni also provide a great resource for Career Services through the Austin College Sherman, TX Alumni Group on LinkedIn.com. Students can contact alumni in different career fields to receive mentoring and/or internship assistance. In addition, Career Services conducts studies in employment patterns of graduates to assist current students in predicting what opportunities may be available for them.

Experiential learning opportunities are an integral way for students to gain insight into the world of work, explore vocation, and participate in servant leadership. Through Career Services, students may receive assistance in developing these off-campus experiences through the Career Study Off-Campus program and the GO Global Outreach Fellowship. Additionally, the service provides guidance on finding additional internship opportunities. More information about these unique experiential programs may be found under Off-Campus Opportunities.

Health Services

Health Services in Adams Center is staffed by a registered nurse that will assist Austin College students in meeting their health needs. There is no charge for office visits with the nurse and over-the-counter medications are dispensed as necessary. Unless otherwise posted, local physicians conduct medical clinics in Adams Center from noon to 1 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, and 5 to 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. Gynecology and dermatology clinics are held on Thursdays. The [schedule is available](#) on the website.

Students are charged \$22 for each visit to the doctor, except the gynecologist, that charges \$28 plus any tests. Most prescriptions distributed at the clinic are \$8.00 each. Health Services does not file insurance claims for private insurance but will provide receipts so students can file their own insurance if desired. Health Services will file the claims for students that have insurance through Austin College. Students are responsible for the cost of any laboratory, x-ray, or other outpatient services ordered. Payment for clinic expenses is billed through the Business Office.

Health Form Policy: The health forms packet is sent after the admission deposit is paid and must be completed and returned to Adams Center, Suite 61629, prior to matriculation for new or returning students. This packet includes the following:

- Comprehensive Student Health and Disability Form (including sections for personal medical history, mental health history, disability accommodation form)
- Documentation of a physical exam completed during the previous year

- Documentation of the required immunizations as stated on the form, including proof meningitis vaccination and a negative TB test within one year of entry (if positive TB test, confirmation of negative chest x-ray or treatment is required).
- Authorization
- Insurance Waiver
- Insurance Brochure

A Texas State Law effective 1/1/12 requires all New and Transfer Students to have documentation of receiving a Meningitis Vaccine at least 10 days prior to start of the semester. A booster is required if immunization was more than five years prior. The only exceptions to this State Law are 1) if student is 22 years of age or older (effective 1/1/2014) 2) by affidavit or certificate signed by the students physician or 3) affidavit obtained from the Texas Department of State Health Services signed by the student stating that the student declines the vaccination for bacterial meningitis for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief. More information about a possible exemption can be found on the [Austin College Health Services website](#).

Each student is required to submit proof of health insurance. Usually a family policy provides this coverage, in which case a waiver must be [submitted online](#). When family health coverage is not available, Austin College offers a policy through Academic Healthplans. This policy detail and information is available at the above mentioned website. Student account will automatically be billed for the health insurance policy if proof of insurance is not provided prior to matriculation. Contact Health Services if you have questions regarding insurance. Billing will be through the Business Office.

Library Services



The George T. and Gladys H. Abell Library Center has played and continues to play an essential role in a student’s experience at Austin College since its opening in 1986. Four librarians, an archivist, and six support staff provide guidance in the use of library resources.

Reference services are available during most hours the library is open. Also, questions can be submitted by email or via the Ask-a-Librarian link on the Library’s Web site. An active instruction program offers guidance in the efficient and effective use of available resources and services for all students, including a special focus for both first-year students and students engaged in writing an honors thesis.

The Abell Library Center provides spacious reading and study areas, group study rooms, individual carrels, audiovisual listening and viewing areas, a “Quiet Area,” a computer classroom, a group instruction classroom, an Archives and Special Collections Suite, and an Extended Study Room, with computers, that is open 24 hours a day.

The library’s resources include a book and bound periodical collection of more than 225,000 volumes, a media collection of more than 6,000 items, and subscriptions to several thousand print and electronic periodicals. These materials are carefully selected by classroom faculty members and librarians to support the academic programs and intellectual interests of the college community. The library’s Web site provides access to the

library's catalog and to the links of electronic resources, free and subscribed, available to all students, staff, and faculty on campus and via authentication if off campus.

The library's holdings are supplemented by cooperative arrangements with other institutions and organizations, such as TexShare, a statewide initiative of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. Abell Library also participates in the consortium of the Texas Council of Academic Libraries (TCAL) and the Oberlin Group, a national organization of liberal arts college libraries. Participation in these groups expands the range of services with borrowing privileges at other institutions, including interlibrary loan, and access to many scholarly databases that students and faculty find important.

Information Technology

Information Technology is an integral part of the academic environment at Austin College. The College provides generous computing resources to support the educational activities of students, faculty, and staff. The College strives to create a reliable and high performing technology environment that is flexible and supportive of the goals of academic and administrative departments and for student academic research functions.

The College is committed to having a superior academic computing program and substantial resources are dedicated to various forms of technology. Many faculty members use computing extensively in teaching and research activities both inside and outside of the classroom. A variety of 'technology classrooms' have been equipped with the latest technology and media devices to enhance the learning experience. Students are exposed and trained in the use of computers beginning with Communication/Inquiry and continuing with discipline-specific applications in other courses. Software applications specific to academic functions are available through the campus network and Internet. Applications include: software development tools for computer science, geographical information software for the sciences, mathematical/measurement for physics, music and digital movie production for communication arts, statistical for social sciences, and instructional tools for the Education Department, to name just a few.



The campus-wide network connects all buildings and includes a ubiquitous, reliable wireless and wired network throughout campus. All residence hall rooms include two wired network port as well as full wireless coverage. A fiber connection provides a high-speed connection to the Internet for the campus.

Computers are provided in labs for student use across campus in academic buildings and residence halls with many providing access 24 hours a day, seven days a week. These labs also provide the ability to print and many include specialty software used by the different academic disciplines. Each residence hall is equipped with a small computer lab with wireless access and wireless printing.

Academic Computer Labs and Training Rooms

Abell Library

- Abell Extended Studies (24-hour access)
- Abell Library Lab
- Abell Instructional Classroom

Forster Art Complex

- Forster Multimedia Lab

Hopkins Center

- Hopkins Lab
- Morris Conference Suite and Laptop Lab

Ida Green Communication Center

- Multimedia Lab

IDEA Center

- W.M. Keck Numeric and Graphics Computing Laboratory

Electronic Access

All students are provided with network credentials (username & password) to access the systems and services on the campus network, the wireless network, and the internet. The services provided to each student include: an email account, personal drive space to store documents, learning management system, anti-spam system, WebHopper (to register, access grades, etc ...) and a variety of other systems and services. The same unique username & password will be used to access all systems throughout your time at Austin College. Personal computers, smartphones, tablets, and gaming devices are all supported on the campus wired and wireless network. Wireless printing is also available from personal computers.

Support Resources

The campus-wide support for all technology questions or issues is the Office of Information Technology, located in the Jackson Technology Center. The Jackson Technology Center is equipped with specialty hardware, software, and instructional devices for individual or small group learning in a collaborative environment. Anyone in the campus community can use the services of Information Technology staff members. The campus Help Desk is located in this building and can be contacted through email, phone call, or simply coming by the office. Our User Services division also employs many Student Computer Technicians to help provide a fast response to student-related issues.

The Jackson Technology center is also home to the following technology groups: Administrative Computing, Networking & Telecommunications, Media Services, User Services, and Web Services.

- Computer Lab #120
- Physics Lab #159
- Physics Lab #162
- Advanced Electronics Lab

Jackson Technology Center

- Technology Center
- SISD Training Room

Jordan Family Language House

- Jordan Lab #101
- Jordan Lab #103

Temple Learning Center

- Temple Educational Lab

Wright Campus Center

- Kangaroo Computer Lab (24 hour access)
- Hallway Computer Station

Dining Service

Austin College Dining Service provides a wide variety of food choices to meet the needs of today's active college student. Meal plans are contracted through the Student Life Office. Any change to the selected meal contract must be made on or before the Friday prior to the 12th class day. As part of the on-campus experience, all resident students are required to have a dining plan membership. There are two options available depending upon student classification: Seven-day Unlimited Access and the Five-day Access. Students must present a valid ID to have access to the dining facility. Access will be granted only to the authorized cardholder.



Meal Plan Options

| Plan | Meal Options | Target Students |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| Seven-day Unlimited Access | Unlimited dining access everyday with \$75 Hopper Dollars per semester. | <u>Required</u> for first-year resident students. Option for all residential students. |
| Five-day Unlimited Access | Unlimited dining access Monday-Friday with \$75 Hopper Dollars per semester. | Minimum plan <u>required</u> for residents of traditional residence halls or Johnson 'Roo Suites. |
| Block 75 | Allows 75 entries into the cafeteria during operating hours with \$75 Hopper Dollars. | Option for students in the Flats*, Bryan Apartments*, or the Village*. |
| Block 50 | Allows 50 entries into the cafeteria during operating hours with \$100 Hopper Dollars. | Option for students in the Flats*, Bryan Apartments*, or the Village*. |
| Block 15 | Allows 15 entries into the cafeteria during normal operating hours. | Option for students in the Flats*, Bryan Apartments*, or the Village*. |

* Residents of these communities can also purchase the Seven- and Five-day Unlimited Access Plans as well.

Hopper Dollars

Students participating in the meal program will have Hopper Dollar accounts that may be used for purchases in the Kangaroo Coffee Shop, Hopper Store, Pouch Club, and dining hall. Hopper Dollars may not be used to purchase beer or wine in the Pouch Club. Hopper Dollars are credited to the student's meal plan on the first class day of the semester. Any Hopper Dollars remaining from the first semester are automatically credited to the second semester of the same school year. Unused Hopper Dollars do not transfer from one academic year to the next. Additional Hopper Dollars may be purchased at any time in the Food Service Office in Wright Campus Center, Room 117.

Mail Services

All Austin College students are assigned a mailbox and issued a combination for their mailboxes at the time of registration. Mail is delivered daily and students are strongly encouraged to check their boxes each day since the college uses this means for handling all official correspondence with students, including course registration materials.

A notice will be placed in a student's mailbox when she/he receives a package. Students will have a total of 21 days to pick up their packages. After the first 10 days, a second notice through campus mail and an email will be sent advising the student the package will be returned to sender on the 21st day if it has not been picked up.



The Campus Mail Center, a component of Mailing and Printing Services weighs and mails packages, and certifies letters. Although the Campus Mail Center is not an official sub-station, it does have regular pickup and delivery of U.S. mail. The Campus Mail Center provides Express Mail but is not permitted to insure shipments. Therefore, if the shipment requires insurance, it must be taken directly to the U.S. Post Office or Federal Express or UPS office.

The Mailing and Printing Services office is located next door to the Campus Mail Center and provides color and black and white copying, printing reproduction, and Federal Express and UPS shipping services to the college community. Faxing services also are offered. Students can send and/or receive faxes and will be notified by telephone or notice in their campus mail when they receive a fax.

Non-Liability of College for Injury or Loss

In order to provide a well-rounded educational program as distinguished from one confined just to classrooms and laboratories, the college sponsors many programs and activities ranging from collegiate and intramural athletics to various off-campus programs and events, which, as with other activities of life, involve possibilities of personal injury, loss of personal property, or both. While the college provides some degree of supervision and counseling, it is unable to assume the risk of injury or loss to individuals. Participation in these programs and events, beyond classrooms and laboratories, is voluntary, and participants, along with their parents or legal guardians, assume all risk of personal injury, loss of property, or any other type of loss.

It is to be understood that the participant and parents or guardian of the participant release and discharge Austin College, a corporation organized under the Non-Profit Corporation Act of the State of Texas, its trustees and

officials, the directors of any such programs, the cooperating colleges and institutions, the drivers and owners of cars, and the heirs, successors, and assigns of the aforesaid parties, jointly and severally, from any and all actions, causes of action, claims, demands, damages, costs, loss of services, and expenses on account of or in any way growing out of, and all personal injuries and property damages, or loss of any kind or degree by reason of any accident or occurrence while the participant is engaged in any such activity, whether on or off the campus.

All students who are 18 years of age or older are required to sign a General Release of Liability statement. For students who are under 18 years of age, the statement also must be signed by the parent or guardian of the student.

Legal Policy

Each student at Austin College is expected by the college to act as a responsible and honest citizen and adult. Austin College expects its students to obey all local, state, and federal statutes. However, the college is not the enforcement agency for these statutes. It is the intent of the college to work cooperatively with all legal agencies. Through this cooperative relationship, both Austin College and each legal agency have the opportunity to carry out their separate functions to a more worthwhile and beneficial degree. The student handbook includes a detailed statement of philosophy and procedures for the legal policy.

Smoking Policy

Austin College is a “clean air” campus. All campus facilities are non-smoking. Smoking is permitted in designated areas only.



Admission and Financial Information

The Office of Admission and the Office of Financial Aid provide assistance and consultation for prospective students and their parents regarding college choice, admission requirements and procedures, and financial aid policies and procedures.



Requirements for Admission

Careful and individual consideration is given to each applicant for admission to Austin College. Admission is based upon a holistic review of scholastic performance plus individual qualities and experiences that influence the candidate's likelihood for success at Austin College. Austin College accepts the Common Application, used by over 500 national selective colleges and universities, and the ApplyTexas Application.

Applications are available online at the [Common Application](#) and at [Apply Texas](#), respectively. You may also access these sites through the [Austin College website](#). Details regarding admission decision plans are available at <http://www.austincollege.edu/admission/apply/deadlines/>.

Admission of Freshman Applicants

Freshman candidates for admission should begin their applications for admission by the fall of their senior year in high school. Detailed information about the freshmen admission and scholarship application processes is [available online](#). Credentials of primary importance in admission consideration include:

- **High School Record:** Graduation (or expectation of graduation) from an accredited secondary school, or from a home school. Applicants should complete at least 15 high school academic units with the recommended distribution of: English, 4; mathematics, 3 to 4 (including geometry and algebra II); science, 3 to 4 (including 1 to 2 lab sciences); foreign language, 2 to 4 (at least 2 of the same language); social studies, 2 to 4; and fine arts, 1 to 2 units. Applicants should provide a transcript of high school work completed through the junior year with a list of courses to be taken in the senior year.
- **Standardized Test Scores:** Students admitted to Austin College typically score well above national averages on the College Board SAT or ACT. Austin College accepts scores from either the SAT or the ACT with the writing test. In the review process, we consider the highest subtest scores from all testing dates. Test results are evaluated in conjunction with the applicant's high school record.
- **Personal Qualities:** While academic preparation is of primary concern, Austin College seeks students who will contribute to the campus community personally as well as academically. Personal qualities are assessed through evidence of extracurricular involvement in school activities, athletics, community service, church activities, or employment; required recommendations from counselors and teachers; and the essay portion of the application.

First-time in college students often earn dual credit (i.e., any college-level coursework taken during high school) or Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) credit (i.e., credit by exam taken as a result of high school course work) that can apply to the Austin College curriculum and increase their official

classification beyond that of a “freshman” student (see Academic Regulations – Course Credits and Classification). However, it is important to note that first-time in college students are required to abide by the policies and requirements set forth for a traditional freshman student to ensure a successful transition into the Austin College community.

Admission of Transfer Applicants

Transfer candidates for admission should complete the Common Application or the ApplyTexas Application. Applications are found online at the [Common Application](#) and at [Apply Texas](#), respectively. Detailed information about the transfer admission and scholarship application processes is [available online](#).

Applicants in good standing at any accredited two- or four-year college or university can be considered for admission to Austin College as a transfer applicant. The most competitive applicants for admission typically have earned a 3.00 or better grade point average. Transfer applicants are considered throughout the year on a rolling admission basis, and students will be notified of admission decisions as applications are completed.

Please note that the recommended deadlines are January 15 for spring admission and August 1 for fall admission. In addition to completing the Common Application or ApplyTexas, transfer applicants also must submit official academic transcripts from each postsecondary institution attended. All transfer applicants should submit their final high school transcript or G.E.D. Applicants with less than 30 semester credit hours (eight Austin College course credit units) must submit official SAT or ACT score reports. Applicants must also submit two letters of recommendation from college professors or advisers (a letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or counselor can be submitted in lieu of one college recommendation).

Admission of Special Students

Cooperative Degree Plan in Engineering: No special application is necessary for admission to this program. Freshmen may enroll in this plan at the time of registration. (Refer to Pre-Engineering in the Pre-Professional Preparation section.)

Veterans: Veterans planning to study under the benefits of Public Law 550 or others should address inquiries to the Office of the Registrar.

Non-Degree Special Students: Persons who give evidence of maturity, earnestness of purpose, and adequate preparation may be admitted to individual courses without becoming candidates for a degree. They should apply for admission to the Office of the Registrar. A non-degree or a part-time student cannot participate in intercollegiate athletics or represent the college in any official capacity or receive any type of financial aid including federal, state, institutional, or alternative loans.

Auditors: Individuals who wish to audit a course may be admitted with the approval of the registrar and consent of the instructor. Auditors do not receive special instruction or special attention from the instructor. They do not earn credit in the work pursued but the audit course is listed on the auditor’s transcript. The fee for auditing is listed in the College Costs section of this Bulletin.

Graduate Study: Requirements for admission to studies leading to the Master of Arts in Teaching degree are defined in the section on the Austin Teacher Program.

Summer Session: Students who are not in the regular program of the college should apply for admission to the Office of the Registrar.

Application of Previously Earned College Credit

Advanced Placement (AP): Austin College will grant one course credit unit for a score of four or above on any of the advanced placement examinations given by the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB). Detailed information may be found at the [Registrar's Office web site](#).

College Level Examination Program (CLEP) Tests: Credit also may be granted by scoring satisfactorily CLEP subject level tests and paying the required fees. For additional information, contact the Registrar's Office at registrar@austincollege.edu.

Concurrent or Dual Credit: Austin College accepts college credit earned while still in high school through concurrent or dual credit enrollment when a grade of C or better was earned and Austin College offers a corresponding course that matches the course taken. For additional information, contact the Registrar's Office at registrar@austincollege.edu.

Language Placement Testing: A student who is placed by Austin College into the 202 level of a modern language or higher as the first college-level course in that language and who completes this with a satisfactory grade (S, C, or above) also will receive one elective credit. This credit may not count toward the minor or the major. At the point of enrollment, admitted students can complete Language Placement Testing at many college enrollment events or in the Registrar's Office.

International Baccalaureate (IB): One course credit unit will be given for each score of five or above on a Higher Level examination of the International Baccalaureate program. The Registrar, in consultation with the department concerned, determines how the credit is to be identified on the student's permanent record. Credit may be given for a score of four on a Higher Level examination at the department's discretion. Credit is not normally given for Subsidiary Level examinations. Detailed information may be found at the [Registrar's Office web site](#).

Credit Application to Curriculum: A minimum of 17 Austin College course credit units (including 8 of the last 11 course credit units) must be earned for the degree (see Academic Regulations – Course Credits and Classification for more information about the Austin College credits system). A maximum of 68 semester credit hours may be transferred from AP/IB credits and accredited two year and four-year institutions. Students may transfer into Austin College up to four courses in the Breadth Dimension. Students must take half of coursework required in each division of the Breadth Dimension at Austin College. A list of transfer courses and AP/IB scores that satisfy the Breadth Dimension is available in the Registrar's Office and webpage. Only credits completed prior to matriculating at Austin College can be used to satisfy the Breadth Dimension. Transfer coursework completed after matriculating at Austin College may meet requirements in the major, minor, or as electives with department approval. Credits presented from other institutions consistent with the academic objective of Austin College in which the student earns a grade of C or higher will be converted to course credit units at the rate of four semester hours being equal to one Austin College credit. Students may petition for individual approval of a transfer course not normally accepted at Austin College. Students must provide a syllabus or complete course description and specify how the course is relevant to their planned degree program. No official evaluation of credit can be given until official transcripts of all colleges attended have been submitted to the Office of Admission. An evaluation of transferable credits and determination of subsequent requirements for graduation from Austin College can be made prior to matriculation through the Registrar's Office.

College Costs

Austin College is a private institution and receives no direct support from taxes or other public funds. The net tuition revenue represents approximately 54 percent of the operating budget of the college. The difference between such costs and the amount paid by the student is met by income from endowment, contributions by Presbyterian churches, and gifts from alumni and other friends who recognize the value of the educational program of Austin College.

Deposits

Undergraduate Students: Applicants pay a \$350 matriculation deposit upon acceptance of an offer of admission. The deposit reserves an enrollment space and a room in a residence hall. The deposit should be paid by May 1 if entering in the summer or fall term and by January 15 if entering in the spring term. Deposits are non-refundable after each of these dates. Deposits paid after these dates are accepted on a space-available basis.



Once the applicant enrolls, \$150 of the deposit is used as a registration fee; the remaining \$200 of the matriculation deposit is held as a general deposit and is used to satisfy charges for loss or damage (including unusual cleaning costs to any college property) for which the student is responsible. The \$200 deposit will be refunded, less charges for amounts due, following graduation.

Graduate Students: Applicants pay a \$100 matriculation deposit upon acceptance of an offer of admission. The deposit reserves an enrollment space. Once the applicant enrolls, \$50 of the deposit is used as a registration fee; the remaining \$50 of the matriculation deposit is held as a general deposit and is used to satisfy charges for loss or damage for which the student is responsible. The deposit will be refunded, less amounts due, following graduation.

Charges

The following are charges for 2014-2015 academic year:

Regular Academic Year: September –May

Tuition – Student Entering Fall 2011 and After

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| Full-Time Undergraduate (3-5 course credits per term) | 34,655.00 |
| Part-Time Undergraduate (per course credit unit) | 5,025.00 |
| Graduate (per course credit unit) | 5,025.00 |
| Audit (per course credit) | 2,512.00 |
| Overload fee (per course credit unit in excess of 5) | 2,700.00 |

Tuition – Students Entering Prior to Fall 2011

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| Full-Time Undergraduate (3-5 course credits per term) | 34,330.00 |
| Part-Time Undergraduate (per course credit unit) | 5,025.00 |
| Graduate (per course credit unit) | 5,025.00 |
| Audit (per course credit) | 2,512.00 |
| Overload fee (per course credit unit in excess of 5) | 2,700.00 |

Residence Hall Rooms

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| Double Occupancy | 5,360.00 |
| Single Room (natural) | 6,290.00 |
| Single Room (double as single) | 6,700.00 |
| Converted (triple as double) | 6,135.00 |
| Triple Room | 5,180.00 |
| Quadruple Room | 5,010.00 |
| Jordan Language House | 5,380.00 |
| Robert & Joyce Johnson Roo Suites | 5,925.00 |
| Flats at Brockett Court | 6,700.00 |
| Villages on Grand (does not include utilities) | 6,200.00 |

Dining Services (see Campus Life section for description)

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| Seven-Day Meal Plan | \$6,143.19 (Includes \$75 Hopper Dollars per semester and \$468.19 in tax) |
| Five-Day Meal Plan | \$5,710.19 (Includes \$75 Hopper Dollars per semester and \$435.19 in tax) |

Fees

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| Activity fee (all full-time students) | 185.00 |
| Transcript fee (assessed in first semester) | 25.00 |
| Health insurance fee (all uninsured students) | 1,944.00 |
| Campus access fee (non-residential students) | 180.00 |
| Study abroad administrative fee (per semester) | 100.00 |
| Art fees | (variable depending on course taken) |
| Science lab fees (per lab) | 75.00 |
| Applied music lessons | 250.00 |
| Piano class fee | 150.00 |

Undergraduate Students: The tuition charge provides for instruction (5 course credits or less for the fall and spring terms), counseling (testing fees not included), library services, physical activity programs, and registration.

There is no separate tuition charge for the January term provided the student is enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student for the preceding fall term or the succeeding spring term. No financial credit will be given for a student who fails to take a January term. All other students will be required to pay the normal per-course tuition.

An undergraduate student registered for three or more course credits during a fall or spring term is considered a full-time student. The billing status of the student, whether full-time or part-time, is determined by the student's registration as of the last day to add a course. Consult the Austin College [Academic Calendar](#) for official dates. The status of the student on this date also determines what, if any, overload fees will be assessed.

Charges are prorated if a student drops from full-time to part-time after the last day to add, and prior to the end of the fourth week of classes. A prorated credit of the full-time charge as well as a prorated part-time charge will be assessed as follows:

| Date of Drop | Full-Time Credit | Part-Time Charge |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| During second week of classes | 75% | 75% |
| During third week of classes | 50% | 50% |
| During fourth week of classes | 25% | 25% |
| After the fourth week of classes | 0% | 0% |

If a student is assessed an overload fee on the last day to add, and later drops (prior to the end of the fourth week of the classes), a prorated credit of the overload fee is given as follows:

| Date of Drop | Overload Credit |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Second week of classes | 75% |
| Third week of classes | 50% |
| Fourth week of classes | 25% |
| After the fourth week of classes | 0% |

Study Abroad: Students studying abroad for the semester or year pay Austin College tuition, fees, and room and board without regard to actual costs of the program abroad. The student is responsible for any study abroad program costs exceeding Austin College tuition, fees, and room and board. If a student attends a program with costs exceeding Austin College, an administrative fee of \$100 per semester is also charged.

Graduate Students: The graduate program consists of nine course credit units. Students who accept student teaching or internship positions more than 25 miles from Sherman are charged a supervision fee. The fee is \$350 if the position is 26 to 65 miles from Sherman; and \$450 if 66 to 95 miles from Sherman. The fees for positions beyond 95 miles from Sherman will be greater than \$450 and are determined on a case-by-case basis.

Summer Term

The following are charges for summer 2015:

Tuition & Fees

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| Undergraduate (per course credit) | 2,700.00 |
| Graduate (per course credit) | 3,125.00 |
| Career Study Off-Campus – CSOC | 670.00 |
| Activity fee (all students) | 10.00 |
| Room – Bryan Apartments – 3 occupants | 618.00 |
| Room – Bryan Apartments – 4 occupants | 540.00 |
| Board | Available on per-meal cash basis when dining facilities are open. |

Miscellaneous Charges

There are various situations in which a student may be subject to special fees. Students should be aware that some college organizations, including the residence halls, may decide to collect fees or dues from their members.

Late Add/Registration: Students may change their initial registration by adding or dropping courses within the time period specified in the academic calendar for each term. After the last day to add a course, a petition will be needed to register for a course. This is considered a late registration and a fee of \$20 will be assessed.

January Term: Students who choose to participate in an off-campus program during the January term will be assessed in advance for the additional expenses for transportation and tour assistance.

Financial Obligations

Tuition and fees statements are prepared by the Business Office and are mailed to students during the second week of July for the fall term and in December for the spring term. Payment is due August 1 for the fall term and January 15 for the spring term. A late fee of \$25 per month will be charged for accounts not paid by the due dates.

With the exception of student employment authorized by the Office of Financial Aid, financial aid will be credited to the student account. The earnings for student employment are paid semi-monthly directly to the student. All documents relating to financial aid must be completed in full before aid can be applied to student accounts. Students must respond promptly to the Office of Financial Aid's request for completion of forms.

Students may contact the Office of Financial Aid with questions regarding applying for and completing financial aid/loan documents.

Students whose accounts are not current with the Business Office and students whose financial aid forms are incomplete, incorrect, or late may be denied any or all college services. Students may not register, attend classes, utilize college facilities, or receive transcripts, grade reports, or other educational records unless all accounts with the college are satisfied. This includes all charges for tuition, room, and board, as well as charges from the Abell Library, Student Life Office, loan office, and other departments and offices of the college. If the amount due includes a room charge, the student may not remain in college housing. If the amount due includes a board charge, the student may not continue to use the dining service.

Refund Policy for Matriculated Students Who Withdraw

All tuition credits are determined by the Business Office. Since students 18 years of age and older have legal majority status, refund checks are payable to those students.

The tuition credit policy takes into account the fact that Austin College made its commitment to a student for teaching and operating expenses at the time of admission. Space for enrollment that is vacated after class work begins cannot be filled for the remainder of the term. Students who are placed on disciplinary suspension during the term will not receive a credit except for unused board.

If a student has been awarded financial aid, any refund will be subject to federal, state, and Austin College financial aid refund policies. Refunds are apportioned according to strict formulas and procedures among the various aid programs from which the student has received assistance. Any refund made to the student will come only after federal, state, and Austin College financial aid programs are reimbursed according to financial aid refund policies. The policies are available in print from the Office of Financial Aid. Federal law requires that any Title IV aid refund be paid back first to Federal Family Education Loan Program loans, such as the Stafford Loan (subsidized and unsubsidized).

General Deposit: Students who decide to withdraw and fail to notify the college prior to July 15 for the fall term or December 15 for the spring term will forfeit \$100 of the \$200 general deposit.

Tuition Credits: Credits for students who officially withdraw from the college for a fall term or spring term are made as follows:

| Time Period | Amount Credited |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Prior to first day of class | 100% |
| First week of classes | 80% |
| Second week of classes | 75% |
| Third week of classes | 50% |
| Fourth week of classes | 25% |
| After fourth week of classes | 0 |

Tuition credits for students who withdraw during the summer term will be handled in a similar manner. Each two and one-half days of classes in the seven-week summer term will count as one week in applying the credit percentage, and each two days of classes in any four-week course will count as one week in applying the credit percentage.

Residence Halls, Bryan Apartments, Johnson 'Roo Suites, The Village on Grand, and The Flats at Brockett Court: A residence hall contract or lease is a binding agreement between the college and the student. Students who choose to cancel their agreement prior to moving in will be charged a fee of \$100. If a student occupies a facility and later decides to move out during a fall or spring term, the term charge will be prorated and a fee of \$300 will be added to the prorated amount. Once a facility is rented for the term, there is little possibility of renting it a second time to fill the vacancy. The \$300 penalty is intended to be an incentive for students not to move.

Board: Credits for students on the meal plans will be calculated on a prorated basis after deducting Hopper Dollars for the semester.

Military Mobilization: If a student withdraws from Austin College as a result of military mobilization for a period of 30 days or more, and does not receive academic credit, the college will grant a full tuition credit (100 percent) and where applicable, all financial aid will be returned to the appropriate programs (federal, state, and institutional). Room and board will be prorated for the length of residence at the school.

The student will:

- Be required to show proof of military duty (copy of orders) upon withdrawal. Should student resume enrollment at Austin College; proof of discharge from military service (usually DD Form 214) must be provided.
- Be responsible for prorated room and board charges. There will be no credit of fees (i.e., activity fee, transcript fee, etc.).

If the student is the recipient of Title IV federal aid, the Office of Financial Aid is required to do a Return of Title IV Funds calculation if the withdrawal occurs prior to the 60 percent point in the semester.

The college will:

- As determined appropriate by the instructor, grant a student a withdrawal in all courses by designating “withdrawn military” on the student’s transcript; or
- As determined appropriate by the instructor, assign an appropriate final grade or course credit to a student who has satisfactorily completed a substantial amount of course work and who has demonstrated sufficient mastery of the course material; or
- As determined appropriate by the instructor, grant an incomplete grade in all courses.
- Allow the student to return to Austin College following military duty and select to follow the curricular requirements of the Bulletin in effect at the time of initial admission or select to follow current curricular requirements at the point of re-entry.
- Allow the student to keep the academic scholarship awarded by the Office of Admission upon entrance to the college as long as the student left in good standing (grade point average requirement was met).
- Suspend collection efforts for borrowers of the Austin College Grant/Loan, although interest will accrue.

For students who receive need-based financial aid (whether from federal, state, or institutional sources), there is no guarantee that the same financial aid will be available upon returning to Austin College since a student’s federal need can change each year. Thus, need-based aid is dependent upon a student’s federal need calculation.

Financial Standing Upon Leaving the College: In order to leave the college in good financial standing, a student must leave with all bills paid. A student who leaves with unpaid bills will not be considered in good financial standing.



Financial Aid

The Austin College Office of Financial Aid is located in the Lyndall Finley Wortham Center. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Access is provided for students with physical disabilities.

Applying for Financial Aid

The financial aid application process and deadlines are somewhat different for new freshman and transfer students than for returning Austin College students.

New Freshman and Transfer Students Initial Application

New freshman and transfer students seeking financial aid from Austin College must first be accepted for admission to the college. In addition, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed as soon as possible after January 1st. Students may use estimated tax information by using data from the prior tax year, however, it is always best to use the most recent tax year data when completing the FAFSA. If the most recent tax year data is used, the student may be able to use the new IRS Retrieval tool. If prior tax year data is used initially, the FAFSA will need to be updated once tax returns have been finalized for student and parent(s), if student is dependent. The IRS Data Retrieval tool can be used to update tax information on the FAFSA. Austin College uses the information submitted to calculate financial aid eligibility for the upcoming school year.

Students may complete the [FAFSA](#) and list Austin College (school code 003543) as one of the school choices to receive the FAFSA data.

To sign the FAFSA electronically, the student and one parent (if student is a dependent) will each need to obtain a [PIN](#). Students may use this site to request a duplicate PIN if one has been lost or forgotten.

Once the FAFSA has been processed, students will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Federal Processor. The SAR is usually emailed to the email address provided on the FAFSA application. Please review the SAR carefully. If the student feels that an error has been made, make changes directly on the [FAFSA website](#). The college will receive an electronic copy of the student's FAFSA data. The results of completing the FAFSA will provide the college with each student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC). The EFC is used to determine the student's federal student aid eligibility and which of the various aid programs the student and family may access — grants, need-based loans, work programs, or one of several non-need-based loans through which a portion or all of the EFC may be borrowed.

To receive priority consideration for financial assistance, the Austin College Office of Financial Aid must receive electronic data by **April 1**. To meet this deadline, it is recommended that the FAFSA be submitted electronically no later than March 15. FAFSA data received after the **April 1** deadline will be considered on a rolling basis subject to available funds.

All financial aid is granted for a maximum of one year. All aid awards will be divided equally per semester. Renewal of financial aid is based on academic standing, availability of funds in relation to receipt of FAFSA



data, and demonstration of federal need. Financial aid may be terminated if a student is not meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress.

Returning Students Renewal Application

Returning students must re-apply for financial aid each year and must complete the FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1st. To receive priority consideration for financial assistance, the Austin College Office of Financial Aid must receive electronic data by **May 1**. To meet this deadline, it is recommended that the FAFSA be submitted electronically no later than April 15. FAFSA data received after the **May 1** deadline will be considered on a rolling basis subject to available funds.

Students may complete the [FAFSA](#) and list Austin College (school code 003543) as one of the school choices to receive the student's FAFSA data.

To sign the FAFSA electronically, the student and one parent (if student is a dependent) each will need to obtain a [PIN](#). Students may use this site to request a duplicate PIN if one has been lost or forgotten.

When completing the FAFSA for the upcoming year, students may use estimated tax information by using data from the prior tax year, however, it is always best to use the most recent tax year data when completing the FAFSA. If the most recent tax year data is used, the student may be able to use the new IRS Retrieval tool. If prior tax year data is used initially, the FAFSA will need to be updated once tax returns have been finalized for student and parent(s), if student is dependent. The IRS Data Retrieval tool can be used to update tax information on the FAFSA. Austin College uses the information submitted to calculate financial aid eligibility for the upcoming school year.

Once the FAFSA has been processed, students will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Federal Processor. The SAR is usually emailed to the email address provided on the FAFSA application. Please review the SAR carefully. If an error has been made, make changes directly on the [FAFSA website](#). The college will receive an electronic copy of FAFSA data. The results of completing the FAFSA will provide the college with the students' Expected Family Contribution (EFC). This number is used to determine federal student aid eligibility and which of the various aid programs the student and family may access — grants, need-based loans, work programs, or one of several non-need-based loans through which a portion or all of the EFC may be borrowed.

All financial aid is granted for a maximum of one year. All aid awards will be divided equally per semester. Renewal of financial aid is based on academic standing, availability of funds in relation to receipt of FAFSA data, and demonstration of federal need. Financial aid may be terminated if a student is not meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress (see General SAP Standards and Process).

The Verification Process

Verification is a comparison of current FAFSA information with previous tax transcripts and other external documentation. Please keep in mind that verification of the FAFSA data may result in a change to the Expected Family Contribution (EFC), which may require an adjustment to the financial aid package as required by the subsequent re-calculation of need analysis data.

To avoid verification delays, use the IRS Data Retrieval process when filing the FAFSA (more information below). Some applicants are not eligible for this process. For example, if a student's parents are married and

filed separate returns, they will need to request an IRS tax return transcript for both parents and send them to our office.

The New IRS Data Retrieval Tool

If a tax return was filed electronically, information should be available for using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool within two weeks of the tax filing date and if a tax return, was mailed, information should be available within eight weeks. If a student did not or was not able to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, student must submit 2013 Student/Spouse, if independent, IRS Tax Transcripts(s) and the 2013 Parent(s), if dependent, IRS Tax Transcript(s). DO NOT send copies of 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ. These are no longer acceptable verification documents. In addition to the IRS Tax Transcripts, the Office of Financial Aid may request other documentation to complete verification. A student may be required to send signed statements regarding household size, number in college, child support documentation, food stamp documentation, W2s, etc.

NOTE: If marital status changes after January 1, 2014, please send IRS tax transcript(s) and all W2s that reflect current status to the office. If marital status changes from married to single, the student will need to complete the Financial Aid Appeal Wrap and bring to the office with appropriate documentation.

Students may request a 2013 transcript from the IRS, free of charge, in one of three ways:

1. Online

Go to www.irs.gov

Look in “Tools” Section

Click “Order a Return or Account Transcript” – (Select the “tax return transcript” option – not the tax account transcript)

Follow instructions

Print the PDF of the tax transcript and fax to 903.813.3198

2. Call

Call the IRS @ 800.908.9946

Follow instructions

Receive a tax transcript in the mail within 5 to 10 working days

Once received, fax to 903.813.3198

3. Paper

Download IRS Form 4506 T from www.irs.gov

Mail or fax the completed form to the IRS

Receive a tax transcript in the mail within 5 to 10 working days

Once received, fax to 903.813.3198

*If an extension for 2013 is filed, the student will need to send the Financial Aid office a copy of IRS form 4868 or a copy of the IRS approval of an extension beyond automatic six months extension and copies of all W2s for each source of employment income received in 2013.

Financial Aid for Study Abroad

Students applying to Tier 1 study abroad programs, will be approved for a single semester of financial aid, provided they are in good standing, meet the requirements for their chosen program provider, and successfully

complete the pre-departure process. The Office of Financial Aid will adjust student budgets to allow for the cost of studying abroad and in some cases the student's federal need may increase, allowing students to possibly qualify for additional federal and/or state aid. A student may apply for institutional scholarships for study abroad. However, any additional institutional scholarships awarded will not exceed the cost of tuition and room and board at Austin College.

All students receiving financial aid for a semester abroad are obligated to enroll in at least one additional long semester in residence at Austin College.

Impact of Living Off-Campus on Financial Aid

Since the student budget created for living off-campus does not include the actual cost of living on-campus with a meal plan, a reasonable allowance is used for room and board based on cost of living for the area and from surveys completed by former students who lived off-campus. In many cases, the student budget for living off-campus is not as large as a student budget for living on-campus in a residence hall with a meal plan which, in turn, gives the student living off-campus a reduced demonstrated federal need. This means a student living off-campus may not qualify for as much need-based aid (grants, work-study, loans) as the student has qualified for in the past. Austin College merit-based scholarships are not affected if a student lives off-campus.

Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) and Related Policies

The Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, requires that each student maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress in the course of study the student is pursuing in order to receive Federal Title IV financial aid. The concept of satisfactory progress mandates monitoring of both the qualitative measurement (cumulative grade point average) and the quantitative measurement (number of credit units completed). This policy reflects changes to federal regulations that are effective as of July 1, 2011.

At Austin College, these standards are also applied to institutional aid programs. For State aid programs, there may be a higher academic requirement and eligibility for those aid programs is subject to the requirements of each program.

Details regarding Austin College Financial Aid policies concerning Satisfactory Academic Progress, withdrawals and refunds, packaging procedures, grade point averages required for scholarship renewal, over-award procedures, requirements for transfer students, verification, financial aid award notifications, and other financial aid processes are available from the Office of Financial Aid. These various policies can also be found on the [Financial Aid webpage](#).

General SAP Standards and Process

Satisfactory Academic Progress will be reviewed at the end of each payment period (fall and spring semesters) by the Office of Financial Aid. This includes those who transfer in or are readmitted to the College.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Requirements

All financial aid recipients must complete the number of cumulative credit units by the end of each long semester (fall or spring) as listed in the table below. Part-time students must reach the required credit unit level in double the number of terms.

No student will be eligible to receive federal or state aid for more than 10 long terms for a four-year program. No student will be eligible to receive Austin College institutional aid for more than 8 long terms for a four-year program.

A 2.00 cumulative GPA earned at Austin College is required for graduation from Austin College and is not rounded.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

| Number of Long Terms (Fall or Spring) at Austin College | Minimum Number of Credit Units to be Completed | Minimum Cumulative GPA |
|--|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | 2.00 | 1.50 |
| 2 | 5.00 | 1.70 |
| 3 | 8.00 | 1.80 |
| 4 | 12.00 | 2.00 |
| 5 | 15.00 | 2.00 |
| 6 | 19.00 | 2.00 |
| 7 | 22.00 | 2.00 |
| 8 | 26.00 | 2.00 |
| 9 | 29.00 | 2.00 |
| 10 | 34.00 | 2.00 |

Advanced Placement (AP) credits, International Baccalaureate (IB) credits, and institutional exams for placement credit will not be used in the determination of credit units attempted or completed for Satisfactory Academic Progress purposes.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

| Number of Long Terms (Fall or Spring) at Austin College | Minimum Number of Credit Units to be Completed | Minimum Cumulative GPA |
|--|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | 2.00 | 3.00 |
| 2 | 4.00 | 3.00 |
| 3 | 6.00 | 3.00 |
| 4 | 9.00 | 3.00 |

TRANSFER STUDENTS

A transfer student who enrolls at Austin College will be considered to be maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress for their first payment period of their enrollment. At the end of a transfer student's first payment period, progress will be reviewed in the same manner as for all other Austin College students. The number of credit units accepted for transfer credit will only be considered toward completing graduation requirements as both credit units attempted and credit units completed. Only the cumulative GPA earned and the completed credit units completed at Austin College will be considered when evaluating the qualitative requirements for SAP.

Maximum Time Frame for Financial Aid

For an undergraduate student, the maximum time frame to receive Federal Title IV aid is 51 attempted credit units (150% of published length of program—34 credit units at Austin College for undergraduate students). If a SAP review shows that a student cannot complete the degree program within 51 attempted credit units, all Title IV aid is stopped. For a graduate student, the master's degree must be completed within two years following enrollment as a full-time graduate student.

Veteran Benefits

Students eligible to receive education benefits from the Veterans Affairs (VA) Administration must provide their certification form from the VA to the Registrar's Office. To receive benefits from the various programs, i.e. Chapter 30, 31, 33, 35, 1606 or 1607, students must be making SAP towards a degree. Any student receiving VA benefits who is on academic probation risks losing benefits. If probation persists beyond two semesters the student's status is reported to the VA for termination of benefits. As of August 2009 veteran benefits no longer impact eligibility for Federal Title IV aid. The Office of Financial Aid will determine eligibility for institutional aid based on the percentage of tuition covered by the VA benefits. In some cases, VA recipients may not be eligible for tuition-specific scholarships or grants at Austin College.

Non-Completion of Courses

Withdrawals

A student who withdraws (whether a complete withdrawal or with intent to return to Austin College) after the semester has begun, has failed to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress standards. The student will receive a Financial Aid Warning for the next semester in which he or she enrolls. If the student withdraws from Austin College during the Financial Aid Warning period, he or she will be placed on Financial Aid Suspension and will be ineligible to receive any financial aid.

Repeated Coursework

Students may only receive federal aid funding for one repetition of a previously passed course. There is an exception for courses that require repeats (see examples below). Students taking a required repeat of a course should work with the Office of Financial Aid to ensure those credits are counted appropriately for financial aid eligibility.

Examples of repeated coursework that may, or may not, count for financial aid eligibility:

1. Allowable: Repeated coursework may be included if the student received an unsatisfactory or failing grade. There is no limit on the number of attempts allowable if the student does not receive a passing grade.
2. Allowable: Repeated coursework may be included if a student needs to meet an academic standard for a particular previously passed course, such as a minimum grade. Example: Student received a D in a course that requires a minimum grade of C for his/her major or for a prerequisite for another course.
3. Allowable: Student is enrolled in 4 credit units that include 1 credit unit repeating a previously passed course. Because the student is enrolled in a minimum of 3 credit units (making the student full-time) that are not repeats, the student's financial aid eligibility is not impacted by the repeat.

4. Not Permissible: Student receives a D in a course that does not have a minimum grade requirement for the major and decides to repeat the course to improve his/her GPA. The student may repeat this passed course one time, but if the student wants to repeat it a second time, the second repeat would not count for financial aid eligibility. In this example, the student is enrolled in 3 credit units, including the 1 credit unit second repeat, so only 2 credit units will count for financial aid eligibility. Financial aid would be adjusted since the student is no longer a full-time student.

All repeated courses affect financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress calculations. A repeated course along with the original attempt must be counted as attempted credits.

Incompletes (Grades of I)

If a student who received a grade of “I”(incomplete) in a course in the prior term is completing the coursework in the subsequent term to erase the incomplete in the prior term, the student is not considered to be enrolled in the course for the subsequent term. Therefore, the hours in the course do not count toward the student’s enrollment status for the subsequent term, and the student may not receive FSA funds for retaking the course.

However, if a student who received an incomplete in a course in the prior term is retaking the entire course for credit in a subsequent term, the hours in the course count toward the student’s enrollment status and the student may receive federal aid for retaking the course.

Any course with an incomplete grade is counted as a course attempted for SAP purposes. An incomplete grade will not be included in calculating the cumulative GPA used for the period being evaluated. When the incomplete grade is replaced with a final grade in the course, the student’s SAP status will be re-evaluated to determine his or her final SAP standing for the prior term. It is possible that if SAP is not met, Federal Title IV aid may have to be returned to the appropriate federal aid program.

Failed Courses

A course in which the student receives a failing grade will be considered toward the cumulative GPA, credit units attempted, and whether a student is making SAP at the end of each payment period.

Courses with grades of F, U, WF, or WU are counted as courses attempted for purposes of calculating GPA and making SAP. Courses with grades of S, W, WP, or I also are counted as courses attempted but are not included in the computation of GPA.

SAP Standings

At the end of each fall and spring terms, a SAP review will be conducted for each student receiving financial aid. A financial aid standing is a status assessed at the end of a term that could have consequences for future financial aid awards. The financial aid standing assessed at the end of a term may or may not coincide with the “academic standings” related to the Academic Probation and Suspension policy of the college (see Academic Regulations). Financial aid standing and academic standing are determined through independent processes based on the nature of their purpose and guiding regulations. Appeals for these different standings are considered independently, and it should not be assumed that if an appeal for academic suspension is approved that an appeal for financial aid suspension would be approved.

Financial Aid Warning

Any student who does not meet the SAP requirements as outlined above will be placed on “Financial Aid Warning” for the following payment period and will be eligible to receive aid during the warning period. By the end of the warning period, the student must be in compliance with the SAP requirements. Students not meeting SAP at the end of the warning period will be ineligible for financial aid and placed on Financial Aid Suspension. A student placed on Financial Aid Suspension following a warning period may elect to submit an Appeal to the Executive Director of Financial Aid for review by the Financial Aid Appeals Committee. See APPEALS section below for details on what is required in an appeal.

Financial Aid Probation

Any student who does not meet SAP requirements following a Financial Aid Warning period is placed on Financial Aid Suspension. If the student files an appeal for reinstatement of aid and if the appeal is approved, the student would be placed on “Financial Aid Probation.” A student may receive financial aid for one more payment period while on Probation.

After a payment period on Financial Aid Probation, the student must be making SAP or student must be successfully following an academic plan (described below in SAP Appeals).

Financial Aid Suspension

If the student does not meet all the Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements at the end of the Warning period (does not appeal the suspension) or at the end of the Probation period (filed an appeal and was approved to continue receiving aid for one more payment period), the student will be placed on “Financial Aid Suspension”. Students who are on Financial Aid Suspension are not eligible to receive any federal, state or institutional financial aid. This includes grants, loans, student employment and institutional scholarships.

In addition, any student who is readmitted to Austin College following an *academic suspension* (see Academic Regulations – Academic Probation and Suspension) is not eligible to receive any federal, state or institutional financial aid until SAP is met. The student may enroll at his/her own expense. SAP is met when the student achieves at least a 2.00 cumulative GPA and completes the required number of credit units. It is the student’s responsibility to consult with the Office of Financial Aid to determine what must be done to regain eligibility.

Reinstatement of Aid

A student can regain eligibility for financial aid by enrolling at Austin College at his/her own expense and achieving at least a 2.00 cumulative GPA and completing the required number of credit units. Periods of enrollment while receiving no Title IV aid count towards the maximum time frame in which to earn the degree. Reinstatement of aid is contingent upon availability of funds. It is the student’s responsibility to consult with the Office of Financial Aid to determine what must be done to regain eligibility.

SAP Appeals

A student who fails to meet SAP requirements and has lost eligibility for financial aid may appeal this decision. **Appeals must be in writing (no emails accepted) and must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation.** In the appeal, the student must explain why he/she failed to make SAP and what has changed that will allow the student to meet SAP at the next review. Appeals must be submitted to the Executive Director

of Financial Aid no later than **July 31** prior to the start of the fall semester or by **January 15** prior to the start of the spring semester. Appeals received after these dates will not be considered.

Reasons that may be acceptable for an appeal are: (1) serious illness or accident on the part of the student; (2) death, accident or serious illness in the immediate family; (3) change in academic program; (4) other extenuating circumstances.

Reasonable consideration will be given to the student's ability to meet SAP requirements by the end of the next payment period or the student will be placed on an academic plan to ensure that student is able to meet SAP by a specific point in time.

The Financial Aid Appeals Committee will review the appeal and send written results of the appeal to the student.

Approved appeals will include: (1) terms of reinstatement of financial aid eligibility (i.e. possibility of meeting SAP in the next payment period or possibility of an academic plan over an extended period of time); and (2) consequences for not meeting terms of approval. Approved appeals will result in financial aid being awarded for the payment period, based on available funding.

Denied appeals will include: (1) reason for denial; and (2) what the student must do to meet SAP. Denied appeals will not be awarded any financial aid until SAP is met.

Students must continue to meet terms, as established, until SAP is met to continue receiving financial aid on a probationary basis. Once SAP is met, the student is no longer considered to be on financial aid probation. Failure to maintain SAP thereafter will result in receiving an additional Financial Aid Warning for the next payment period.

Financial aid standing and academic standing (see Academic Regulations – Academic Probation and Suspension) are determined through independent processes based on the nature of their purpose and guiding regulations. Appeals for these different standings are considered independently, and it should not be assumed that if an appeal for academic suspension is approved that an appeal for financial aid suspension would be approved.

Types of Financial Aid

Grants

Institutional grants are provided on the basis of full-time enrollment and demonstrated need by filling out the FAFSA to students pursuing a regular course of study. The amount of any single grant is not fixed, but is determined for each qualified applicant by the Office of Financial Aid.

The Federal Pell Grant and the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) are available to students with exceptional need. The FAFSA is required. The Office of Financial Aid determines eligibility.

The Tuition Equalization Grants (TEG) may be available to Texas residents who qualify. The availability of TEG funds may be affected by the number of eligible students, the level of institutional allocation, and the timeliness of filing the FAFSA. The Office of Financial Aid determines eligibility.

Loans

Loans are available from a variety of sources listed below. Loans carry interest and a legal obligation for repayment.

*Federal Perkins Loan: This is a need-based federal student loan that must be repaid. The annual maximum loan limit for an undergraduate is \$5,500. The aggregate loan limit for an undergraduate is \$27,500. The amount awarded is determined by the Office of Financial Aid based on available funding each academic year.

Repayment of this federal loan begins nine months after the borrower ceases to be enrolled at least half-time. A borrower has 10 years to repay this loan. While enrolled, the student interest does not accrue. When student enters repayment, interest accrues at the rate of 5 percent per year, effective nine months after the borrower ceases to be enrolled at least half-time. There may be loan cancellation options for a student borrower who becomes a full-time teacher in a Title I school. Cancellation privileges are also available for certain career services in other education areas, specified social services and armed forces, and also some areas of criminal justice and probation.

*Federal Direct Stafford Loan: The Federal Direct Stafford Loan provides an annual maximum of up to \$3,500 for freshmen, \$4,500 for sophomores, and \$5,500 per year for juniors and seniors. In addition, H.R. 5715 allows an additional \$2,000 unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan eligibility for undergraduate students. The aggregate loan amount for undergraduates is \$31,000, of which no more than \$23,000 can be subsidized. Independent students and those students whose parent have been denied a Federal Direct PLUS Loan may qualify for an additional unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan. Freshmen and sophomores may qualify for up to \$4,000 per year; juniors and seniors, up to \$5,000 per year. The aggregate loan amount for independent undergraduates is \$57,500 of which no more than \$23,000 can be subsidized. Graduate students are eligible for \$20,500 in unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan. As of July 1, 2012, graduate students are no longer eligible for subsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loans. The aggregate loan amount for graduate students is \$138,500 of which no more than \$65,500 can be subsidized.

As of July 1, 2014, the Federal Direct Stafford Loan program (for both subsidized and unsubsidized loans) for undergraduate students carries a fixed interest rate of 4.66 percent. Students demonstrating need, according to the federal formula, may borrow up to their remaining need or the annual maximum on a subsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan. For these loans, the federal government pays the interest while the student is in school or in deferment. Should a student's demonstrated need be less than the annual maximum, the student may borrow the remainder on an unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan. For any unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford loan, the student will be responsible for any accrued interest during in-school and deferment periods. An origination fee of 1.072 percent will be deducted from each disbursement for both the subsidized and unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan. After graduating, leaving school, or dropping below half-time, the student has a six-month grace period before repayment begins.

To qualify for a Federal Direct Stafford Loan, a student must be enrolled (or accepted for enrollment) at least half-time, be in good standing, and making Satisfactory Academic Progress at the college. Further inquiries should be made to the Office of Financial Aid.

Alternative Loans: There are other loan options available to help a family meet the remaining cost of attendance. These loans are considered non-need based and typically require creditworthiness. For more information about this type of loan, contact the Office of Financial Aid or visit the [Financial Aid webpage](#).

Employment Opportunities

The college participates in the Federal Work-Study Program and the Texas Work-Study Program, which is available to students with demonstrated financial need. Employment on campus is limited to eight to nine hours per week with an earning potential of approximately \$1,000 per semester, however, a student is paid only for actual hours worked.

A student may be terminated by the supervisor if job performance is unsatisfactory.

Merit-Based Scholarships

Austin College Office of Admission awards merit-based scholarships to entering freshmen and transfer students. Austin College offers a number of merit-based scholarships not based on demonstrated financial need. These awards are made solely in recognition of outstanding academic achievement and potential, but other selection criteria may include evidence of leadership ability, a commitment of service to others, and exceptional talents in the performing arts and other extracurricular activities. Merit-based scholarships awarded to freshmen are renewed on an annual basis for a maximum of eight long terms of undergraduate study, excluding summer terms. Those awarded to transfer students are renewed on a term basis for the number of fall and spring terms deemed necessary by the college to complete the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Talent-based scholarships (music, art, and theatre) are awarded by the individual departments to entering freshmen. Freshmen are required to apply for these scholarships with the individual department. Each department will require the student to submit a portfolio for an art scholarship, and to audition for music and theatre scholarships.

NCAA Division III Athletics

In accordance with NCAA guidelines, Austin College, as a member school of the NCAA Division III, does not award any athletic scholarships.

Additional information on merit-based scholarship opportunities as well as application procedures and forms are [available online](#) or can be obtained by contacting the Office of Admission.

Gifts, Endowments, and Memorials

Austin College, as a privately supported higher education institution, affords many opportunities for lasting investments and memorials. Among these is annual scholarship support, which provides critical financial assistance to students so they can continue their education. This commitment to scholarship availability is sustained by the generosity of alumni and friends. Additionally, throughout the years, Austin College has received gifts for general endowment, endowment of instructional programs, endowed fellowships, endowed scholarships, student loans, awards, prizes, and medals. Austin College's Institutional Advancement professionals continue to work with individuals in establishing scholarships and special programs for the support of Austin College.



The Academic Program

Educational Mission

In 2003 as part of a major curriculum review, the faculty adopted the following statement to clarify the mission of an Austin College education for its students.

An Austin College education transforms the intellectual lives of students as it challenges them to deepen their understanding of social, ethical, and global issues as well as their own place in a rich complex of evolving cultural traditions. Sustained critical inquiry lies at the heart of an Austin College education, enhanced by breadth of experience and focused through in-depth study. The goal is to enable students to develop themselves as productive members of society who can think clearly and critically, understand and respect difference, and express themselves persuasively.



Consistent with the goals of a liberal arts education, Austin College encourages its students to inquire freely, to cross traditional boundaries, and to challenge conventional wisdom while respecting the rights of others. The college seeks to provide an academically challenging and lively community of students and teachers who are committed to intellectual growth through individual and collaborative endeavors. Austin College graduates are prepared for lives of responsible leadership, enhanced by continued learning, and enriched by lasting values.



Austin College Curriculum

Working closely with a faculty mentor, the student designs an academic program to achieve the goals of an Austin College education in the context of his or her own personal aspirations. An Austin College curriculum emphasizes both depth and breadth of study. It begins with a required freshman seminar course (Communication/Inquiry), which serves as the foundation for the Austin College education. The seminar aids students in their transition to college-level work and serves as an orientation to academic services and curricular opportunities. The instructor becomes the student's academic advisor and faculty mentor. Faculty-student engagement established in the seminar initiates the

conversation on how to use the Austin College curriculum to create the educational experience that enhances intellectual inquiry and critical thinking and leads to lifelong learning.

Before the end of their sophomore year, students declare a field to study in depth from the college's list of more than 30 majors or alternatively, may create their own individualized major using the Special Program Option. Students also must complete a minor (or second major) in another field. With proper planning students are able to integrate many of the course requirements of the Breadth Dimension into their major and minor, giving their overall education greater coherence. Through the Breadth Dimension students encounter the different methodologies used by the humanities, sciences, and social sciences but are not required to take specific courses. Instead, students may select courses from the full range of disciplinary fields to develop a program that complements their major and minor but still adds breadth.

Austin College values interdisciplinary studies and encourages its students to consider majoring or minoring in one of its many interdisciplinary programs. One of the purposes of a liberal education is to help students become aware of the interconnections among different branches (disciplines) of knowledge. To this end the college offers student-designed interdisciplinary degree programs (see Special Program Options) and interdisciplinary and general studies courses. By integrating learning from several fields of knowledge, such study widens understanding and organizes new approaches to old problems. Many of these courses are appropriate for meeting the requirements of the Breadth Dimension.



Faculty Mentor

Upon admission to Austin College each student is assigned a faculty mentor, who serves as the student's academic advisor and as the instructor for the first-year student in the Communication/Inquiry course. The term mentor denotes a special student-faculty relationship where the established rapport should assist the student in adjusting academically to college life and in effectively using the resources of the institution. As part of the advising process, students meet regularly with their mentors to review career interests and aspirations and steps for achieving these goals. Such considerations become reflected in a student's overall degree plan and in choices of a major and minor. The

planning process of individual development continues through all the undergraduate years. Development may be sought through a variety of means: formal course work, existing programs or activities (whether on-campus or off-campus), and programs and activities initiated by students. Summer activities and experiences are relevant also. This collaboration of faculty mentor and student serves to maximize the opportunity afforded by an Austin College education.

Although faculty mentors frequently teach in fields different from their students' majors, students usually choose to stay with their original mentor because of the unique relationship developed in the Communication/Inquiry course. Students, however, have the option of changing mentors any time after the first term.

A Special Calendar for the Academic Year

Austin College follows a 4-1-4 academic calendar (4 courses fall – 1 course January term – 4 courses spring for a typical student). During the regular fall and spring terms, each lasting 14 weeks, students typically enroll for four full courses. The college's regular curricular offerings are available primarily during the two longer terms. The official academic calendar can be found on the web site at www.austincollege.edu/academics/academic-calendar/.

Completion or Graduation Rate

In accordance with the Student Right-To-Know Act, the six-year completion rate for students who entered Austin College in 2006 on a first-time-in-college and full-time basis was 76.76 percent.



General Degree Requirements

Students must fulfill the following requirements:

- Complete a minimum of 34 course credit units, of which at least 17 must be earned at Austin College
- Earn a 2.00 or better cumulative grade point average for all courses taken at Austin College
- Complete the Foundation Dimension
- Complete a major with a 2.00 grade point average or better
- Complete a minor (or second major) with a 2.00 grade point average or better
- Complete the Breadth Dimension
- Complete three January term courses, or one for each fall term in residence
- Complete one course in Lifetime Sports
- Demonstrate ability in a modern or classical language, other than one's own, through the third semester of college-level study at Austin College, or by transfer credit from another institution for an equivalent level of study, or acceptable performance on an approved equivalency test. The requirement also can be met by successfully completing the third semester of American Sign Language at an accredited college or university. Those students for whom English is a second language may satisfy the language competency requirement with evidence of suitable proficiency in the native language (e.g., proficiency test, particularly when administered in that language at Austin College; school records).
- Demonstrate the required skills in written communication by completing an approved course(s) equal to one full credit
- Demonstrate quantitative reasoning skills by satisfactorily completing an approved course(s) that provides instruction in quantitative techniques
- Complete at least eight of the last 11 course credit units as a student at Austin College

The choice of a major and a minor may be made at any time after initial registration, but not later than the close of the sophomore year. Before registering for the first term as a junior, each student must file in the Office of the Registrar a declaration of major and minor approved by the appropriate department chairs or program directors. Students may not declare a major or minor after they have graduated.

Ordinarily students will follow the curricular requirements of the Bulletin in effect at the time of admission. When the college career is unavoidably interrupted, this principle will be followed as far as possible. If a student is readmitted following withdrawal, current requirements will apply.

Foundation Dimension

The freshman seminar, Communication/Inquiry (C/I), serves as a foundation for an Austin College education. The course provides an important transition to the expectations of college-level work and available academic services. The seminar topics vary with the interests and specialization of the instructors, but through rigorous engagement with materials appropriate for an introductory class, each seminar section also emphasizes the enhancement of skills of information literacy and critical thinking, and abilities in oral and written communication. The C/I instructor serves as the student's faculty mentor and academic advisor.

The Communication/Inquiry course may be waived for individuals who have been enrolled as a full-time matriculated student at another accredited college or university for at least one semester.

Breadth Dimension

An eight-course distribution over the three academic divisions of the college establishes the minimal requirement for the Breadth Dimension. Students may transfer into Austin College up to four courses in the Breadth Dimension. Only credits completed prior to matriculating at Austin College can be used to satisfy the Breadth Dimension. Students must take half of coursework required in each division of the Breadth Dimension at Austin College and also meet the requirements stated below for each division. Courses and AP/IB equivalencies that satisfy this requirement have been approved by the respective academic divisions and are on a list available in the Office of the Registrar. Breadth Dimension courses must be taken for a letter grade. Courses taken for the Breadth Dimension also may count toward either the major or minor. Specific courses approved for the Breadth Dimension are indicated each term on the course registration schedule in WebHopper.

Humanities

The humanities disciplines of art, art history, classical and modern languages, communication, media studies, theatre, English, history, music, philosophy, and religious studies present a broad array of approaches to the understanding of culture and to the search for meaning. Courses in the Humanities Division foster students' appreciation of creative work and its processes, raise their awareness of perennial questions, and promote the spanning of interpersonal, intercultural, and chronological distances. Familiarity with humanities disciplines and their methodologies is integral to a liberal arts education and helps to prepare students for a complex and changing world.

Humanities courses that satisfy the Breadth Dimension engage students in how people think about or create from the world and human experiences. These courses foster skills in critical reading or interpretation, synthesizing information, effective oral and written communication, creative expression, and thoughtful analysis. In doing so, they develop the ability to form meaningful questions and exercise independent judgment. Students are required to take courses in four different disciplines to expose them to the diverse subjects and methodologies within this division.

Requirement: The four courses must be from four different disciplines (e.g. ART, SPAN, ENG PHIL);

Sciences

The methods used by science are the most reliable known for understanding the natural world. Science and the technology stemming from scientific knowledge have profound effects on nearly every aspect of modern life. Advancements in such diverse fields as health care, food production, communication, and transportation all depend on scientific knowledge and understanding. At the same time, scientific innovations have important societal, ethical, and moral implications. Therefore, understanding scientific methodology, contributions of science to modern civilization, and strengths and limitations of the scientific approach are of great importance for all students in becoming responsible citizens. We believe that in order to fully understand science, students must be actively engaged in doing science. Thus, the faculty views scientific inquiry through laboratory experience as an essential component of science education.

The Breadth Dimension of the Austin College curriculum requires two science courses, with at least one with an associated laboratory. The requirement may be met by a specially designed non-majors course in the natural sciences with an associated laboratory, or by other designated laboratory courses regularly offered in biology, chemistry, and physics. The science requirement ensures that all Austin College students have experience using

the scientific process to solve both theoretical scientific questions in the classroom and practical hands-on problems in the laboratory.

Requirement: Two courses including at least one course with an associated laboratory. The two courses may be from the same discipline.

Social Sciences

The social sciences investigate and educate students about individual and group behavior in different social and cultural contexts. Through the application of a wide range of theoretical and methodological approaches, the social sciences strive to explain the variables that affect human decision-making, patterns of social, economic, and political development, and conflict and cooperation across the globe. Further, the social sciences explain how people allocate scarce resources in the framework of different social, governmental, and commercial institutions. A central component of the liberal arts, the social sciences contribute to an understanding of the historical development and contemporary structure of the global environment and provide an essential intellectual foundation for informed and engaged global citizens.

The Breadth Dimension of the Austin College curriculum requires two approved courses from different disciplines in the social sciences. Approved courses will foster student understanding of individual and group behavior in different social and institutional settings. Social science courses also emphasize effective written, oral, and methodological skills.

Requirement: The two courses must be from two different disciplines (e.g., PSY and ECO).

Depth Dimension

Degree programs available to students as of the 2014-2015 academic year:

| Degree Programs | Major | Minor |
|--|-------|-------|
| Accounting | | √ |
| American Studies | √ | √ |
| Anthropology ³ | | √ |
| Art | √ | √ |
| Art History | | √ |
| Asian Studies | √ | √ |
| Biochemistry | √ | |
| Biology | √ | √ |
| Business Administration | √ | |
| Business Finance | √ | |
| Chemistry | √ | √ |
| Classical Civilizations | √ | |
| Classics | √ | √ |
| Cognitive Science | | √ |
| Communication | √ | √ |
| Computer Science | √ | √ |
| East Asian Languages and Cultures ¹ | √ | √ |
| Economics | √ | |
| Education ² | √ | √ |
| Educational Psychology | | √ |

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|--|---|---|
| English | √ | √ |
| Environmental Studies | √ | √ |
| Ethics | | √ |
| Exercise and Sport Science ³ | | √ |
| Film Studies | | √ |
| French | √ | √ |
| Gender Studies | | √ |
| German | √ | √ |
| Global Science, Technology and Society | | √ |
| History | √ | √ |
| International Economics and Finance | √ | |
| International Relations | √ | |
| Latin | √ | |
| Latin American and Iberian Studies | √ | √ |
| Leadership Studies | | √ |
| Mathematics | √ | √ |
| Media Studies | √ | √ |
| Music | √ | √ |
| Neuroscience | | √ |
| Nonprofit Organizations and Public Service | | √ |
| Philosophy | √ | √ |
| Physics | √ | √ |
| Political Science | √ | √ |
| Psychology | √ | √ |
| Public Health | √ | √ |
| Religious Studies | √ | √ |
| Sociology | √ | √ |
| Southwestern and Mexican Studies | | √ |
| Spanish | √ | √ |
| Theatre | √ | √ |
| Western Intellectual Tradition | | √ |

¹ EALC concentrations include Chinese, Japanese and comparative East Asian cultures for the major and minor and Chinese and Japanese concentrations in the minor.

² Students earn a Masters of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree

³ The department offers an interdisciplinary major methodically combining courses from multiple departments to create a major. See Special Program Option.

Requirements for the major consist of at least eight but not more than 11 course credit units, approved by the department chair or program director as described in the Courses of Instruction section of this Bulletin. Courses in the major may be counted toward meeting the requirements of the Breadth Dimension. At least three course credit units must be taken at Austin College from courses numbered 300 or above.

A minor consists of five to seven courses credit units, approved by the department chair or program director. The minor affords students the opportunity to combine an in-depth study of a second area while also broadening their education. Courses in the minor may be counted toward the Breadth Dimension requirement. At least two course credit units must be taken at Austin College from courses numbered 200 or above.

No course may be counted toward meeting the requirements stated above for more than one major or one minor.

January Term

January Term, often referred to as JanTerm, is an expression of the college's commitment to life-long learning. It incorporates intensive month-long courses that emphasize experiential learning and experimental formats and topics. The program has three goals:

- That Austin College graduates know how to engage experiential and non-traditional learning styles and integrate them with traditionally gained knowledge and skills
- That more students have international educational experience than would otherwise be the case
- That Austin College faculty gain experience with experiential and non-traditional learning styles and how to engage them



During January, students take only one course. This academic term provides a change of educational pace, more concentrated involvement in one area of study, and a greater emphasis on exploration and experiential learning. Courses during the January term focus on unique topics in depth. Off-campus courses include independent study and career exploration; they also include courses with cross-cultural exploration and language immersion experiences.

All undergraduates must complete one January term course for each fall term they are enrolled, with three being the maximum required. In some courses, the instructor specifies S/D/U grading in order to encourage students to explore fields outside their usual areas of interest. In other courses, a letter grade or S/D/U grading is at the option of the student.

Each year, the majority of the student body, including nearly all first-year students, remains on campus to pursue a January term course or project. Off-campus programs are open to freshmen only by formal agreement of the instructor and the faculty mentor.

With few exceptions, courses offered in the January term are specially designed so that offerings vary significantly from one January to the next. A special online bulletin of January term courses describes the offerings each year.



Some On-Campus Courses in January Term

Printmaking
Native Prairie Restoration
Capitalism in the Movies
Contract Bridge for Scholars
Scientific Visualization and Simulation
James Joyce's Ulysses
Alternative Energy and Building Practices
The Art of Historical Detection
The Language of Spies: Elementary Cryptanalysis

Some Off-Campus Courses in January Term

Natural History of the Hawaiian Islands

London Theatre

Rome: The Eternal City

Texas and Global Outsourcing in Austin, Texas

Castles, Crosses, Kilts, and Celts: the History and Culture of Scotland

Experiencing Japanese Culture

Costa Rica: Spanish Immersion in the Tropics

Medicine and Healing Rituals in Chinese and Tibetan Traditions



Quantitative Reasoning Requirement

Quantitative reasoning means the ability to apply the tools of mathematics, including statistics, in some area or areas of discourse. This requirement is met by the satisfactory completion of an approved course(s) in which the student must demonstrate the ability to understand and utilize quantitative data and analysis to construct and to assess arguments and to solve problems. A list of approved courses is available in the Office of the Registrar.

Writing Competency Requirement

Courses across the curriculum with an intensive writing component are designed to build upon and reinforce writing skill development initiated in Communication/Inquiry. Courses approved for this requirement give students opportunities for serious practice and/or revision of their written work. In class and in individual conferences students receive special instruction in writing techniques specific to their assignments and course discipline. Course guidelines and a list of approved courses are available in the Office of the Registrar.

Electives

Each student's academic program is further supplemented by elective courses as needed for completion of at least 34 course credit units.

Special Program Option

The Special Program Option is available to students who wish to design a non-traditional or interdisciplinary major or minor not listed in the college *Bulletin*. Those pursuing this option must describe carefully in writing their educational background, levels of achievement, and how the specially designed major or minor will assist them in meeting their educational goals and objectives. The Special Program Option is particularly adaptable to the needs of students interested in studying interdisciplinary subject areas or in preparing for unique career fields.



The student and mentor discuss the written statement and prepare a detailed plan or learning contract for achieving goals and objectives. Students meet the same requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree as listed above except for the Breadth Dimension and the major or minor. The degree plan includes in essay form a

statement of the design of the major or minor and how courses and experiences will be used to achieve an education of breadth and depth. Each student must satisfactorily complete a program of breadth and depth, but no set list of courses or number of course credit units is required for either. The proposed special program is submitted to the Academic Standing Committee for approval.

Departmental Honors Program

The Departmental Honors Program is designed to challenge superior students in their final year of undergraduate study to use their disciplinary training to delve deeper into a topic of interest in the major. The program emphasizes independent investigation and culminates in completion of a bachelor's thesis that is defended by the student in an oral examination administered by the student's thesis committee. The thesis committee consists of three faculty members; two of the members should be from within the department or program of the student's major and the third from outside the student's major. In some cases, specific departments have additional requirements for participation in the program. Successful completion of the Departmental Honors Program is indicated on the student's diploma as "Honors in (Discipline or Field)."



Admittance to the program is by invitation only and is intended for students who are within three semesters of graduation. In no case will students who have less than five months of study remaining before graduation be considered. A student who has excellent research potential and has been performing at an exceptional level in the major and at a level of distinction in other courses may be invited by the department or program chair to participate in the Departmental Honors Program. The evaluation of performance in the major is made exclusively by each department or program. The evaluation of overall performance outside the department is subject to review by the Honors Advisory Committee.

Credit for one or two courses (which may include a January term course) is normally given. If justified by the nature of the project, credit for three courses, including a January term, may be given. Students may enroll in the department-based 491 course to earn the credit. Once the student has earned the credit the department is willing to endorse the student is not required to continue enrolling in the 491 course even though the student may still be completing the thesis or defense of work.

Other Honors

Phi Beta Kappa

Austin College shelters the Iota chapter of Texas of Phi Beta Kappa. Election of members in course (student members) is by vote of the faculty and staff key holders of Phi Beta Kappa at Austin College. No student will establish a right to membership simply by achieving a given GPA or by satisfying prescribed requirements.

New members in course are chosen in the spring term. To be eligible for election with a year's class, a student must have graduated in the previous summer or



January, or be ready to graduate in May. Normally, prospective members must have the following minimum qualifications:

- Have completed at least three full semesters of work at Austin College and be fully registered for a fourth semester
- Have a GPA of 3.65 or higher in Austin College courses
- Have demonstrated proficiency in a foreign language by any means appropriate for satisfying the Austin College foreign language requirement
- Have demonstrated proficiency in mathematics by having taken at least one course in the Mathematics Department at Austin College at the level of Mathematics 141 or higher, or an equivalent course at another institution, or they must have Advanced Placement credit for an equivalent course. When transfer credits are used to meet the language and math requirements, the quality of the courses will be considered.

Faculty members will consider all students who meet these basic requirements and will elect those who, in their judgment, best exemplify the principles espoused by Phi Beta Kappa. The bylaws provide that new members “shall be elected primarily on the basis of broad cultural interests, scholarly achievement, and good character.” They also state that “weight in the selection process shall be given not only to the relative strength of the candidate’s academic record, but also to the breadth and proportion of the candidate’s program as shown by the number and variety of courses taken outside the major. Preference will be given to candidates who have demonstrated “a spirit of intellectual adventure” by meeting any of a number of criteria including, but not limited to, the following: significant coursework across all three academic divisions of the college, independent research or scholarly activity, or significant advanced work in a field other than the major.”

Honors at Commencement

The faculty selects the two top scholars in each graduating class to receive special medals. The two individuals, with no distinction between them, are awarded the J. C. Kidd and the J. M. Robinson medals. Students with an Austin College cumulative grade point average of 3.85 and above graduate summa cum laude; those with an average of 3.70 through 3.84 graduate magna cum laude; and those with an average of 3.50 through 3.69 graduate cum laude.

Dean’s List

The Dean’s List recognizes the top 20 percent of students taking a minimum of three graded, full-credit courses each fall and spring term based on the grade point average for that term. Students with incomplete grades are ineligible for Dean’s List consideration.

Honor Societies

Alpha Chi: A national honorary society devoted to the promotion and recognition of scholarship and of those elements of character which make scholarship effective among the undergraduate students in the academic divisions of colleges and universities in the United States.

Alpha Psi Omega: A national honorary dramatic society for those doing a high standard of work in dramatics.

Beta Beta Beta: A national honor society for students in the biological sciences. Its purpose is threefold: stimulation of sound scholarship, dissemination of scientific knowledge, and promotion of biological research.

Delta Phi Alpha: A national honor society for junior and senior honor students who have excelled in their study of the German language.

Eta Sigma Phi: A national honorary society for junior and senior students of Latin and/or Greek.

Omicron Delta Epsilon: An international honor society for students in economics.

Phi Alpha Theta: A national honor society for advanced students in history. The mission of the society is to promote the study of history through the encouragement of research, good teaching, publication, and the exchange of learning and ideas among historians.

Phi Beta Kappa: A national honor society for students exhibiting excellence in the liberal arts and sciences.

Pi Delta Phi: A national honor society for advanced students of the French language and literature.

Pi Sigma Alpha: A national honor society for political science students. Students in international relations are eligible for membership in the Austin College chapter.

Psi Chi: A national honorary society for outstanding students in psychology. To be eligible for membership a student must rank in the top one-third of his or her class in general scholarship and must have demonstrated superior scholarship in psychology. A student must have taken experimental psychology.

Sigma Delta Pi: A national honor society for advanced students of Spanish literature and culture. The purpose of this organization is to foster a wider knowledge of and greater love for the Hispanic contributions to modern culture.

Sigma Pi Sigma: Within the framework of the Society of Physics Students, this honor society recognizes academic achievement in the area of physics. Membership is restricted to students who have demonstrated superior achievement in advanced courses.

On-Campus Learning Opportunities

Individual Study

Directed and independent study courses are available in most disciplines. They offer properly qualified students the opportunity during any term to carry out individual work that is unique and intensive on a topic not offered as a regular course. The student works on campus under the general supervision of a faculty member in the appropriate program in a one-to-one relationship. A student may register for only one such course in individualized study (either one directed study course or one independent study course) in any one term.



For either type of course, a detailed description of the project must be submitted on the proper form by the beginning of the term during which the work will be done. The student prepares this statement after consulting with an appropriate faculty member who is willing to supervise the student's work. Approval by the appropriate department chair or program director and the divisional dean is required. Directed and independent study

courses may be taken using the standard letter grade system or using the S/D/U system. The proposal form for approval must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar no later than the end of the first week of a fall or spring term or prior to the start of a January or summer term.

Directed Study courses are offered at the intermediate (numbered 260) and advanced (numbered 460) level for variable credit ranging from 0.25 to 1.00. To be eligible for a directed study course, a student must have demonstrated a capacity to do individual work and have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.00.

Directed study at the intermediate level is open to sophomore students or higher during the long term, but freshmen also are eligible during the January term.

Advanced directed study is ordinarily limited to a topic falling within the student's major or minor, and taken only after successfully completing the basic courses in that field. However, by special permission of the department chair, a directed study course also may be taken in another discipline provided the student has completed the basic course work in that discipline plus all necessary prerequisites for the directed study topic.

The topic chosen by the student and approved by the faculty member must be sufficiently delimited to permit significant oral and written reports. A directed study entails considerable student-faculty interaction during the pursuit of the work. The faculty member may assist the student in the preparation of the bibliography or the formulation of the project, and the student is expected to consult the faculty member periodically and report on progress being made. Such conferences usually occur about once every two weeks.



Independent Study courses (numbered 490) provide opportunity for a student to use initiative, imagination, and persistence to produce a higher quality body of work such as a research paper, formal report, or art project. Independent study is open only to juniors and seniors who have performed exceptionally well academically with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.00 and who are judged by the faculty supervisor and department chair to be capable of substantial independent inquiry into a special phase of the subject within their major.

After initial planning in consultation with the faculty supervisor, the student basically works independently. The student is free to consult with the faculty member from time to time but is generally under no obligation to do so. The course may involve library research or special problems. Each study should enhance the understanding of the subject as well as develop the methodology of inquiry. Ordinarily, just one course credit for such study may be earned in any one term.

Teaching/Learning Participation

Certain departments and programs offer highly qualified students opportunities to learn by sharing in the instructional responsibilities for particular courses.

The student is given a sphere of responsibility so that learning and teaching can be experienced as two aspects of the process. The student's role differs from that of teaching assistants utilized by many colleges and universities. Here the faculty member is as much involved as ever in all aspects of the course. Involvement of a

student in teaching/learning participation (numbered 464) in a particular course happens only if the faculty member feels that definite benefit to both the student and the course will result.

Each instructional program unit determines which of its courses, if any, are appropriate for such individual studies in teaching/learning. (The role of laboratory assistant is not appropriate for this type of individual study.) The type of responsibilities and extent of involvement of the student will vary depending on the course and faculty member. This course may be taken only at the undergraduate level. It may not be counted as a substitute for any of the undergraduate teacher education requirements.

Posey Leadership Institute

The Posey Leadership Institute at Austin College offers aspiring students extraordinary opportunities to prepare for lives of leadership through experiential learning within and beyond the classroom. The Austin College approach incorporates skill-based opportunities for students to learn, apply, and test their effectiveness as leaders through coursework, campus governance, student organizations, mentoring, assessment, and leadership across community and global service organizations.



Environmental Research Areas and Field Laboratories



Austin College is fortunate to own five pieces of property in Grayson County that serve as research areas, field laboratories, and nature preserves. The Barry Buckner Biological Preserve and Research Area is a biologically diverse 115-acre site containing native deciduous forest, pine forest, sandstone outcrops, and successional communities. The Lee Harrison Bratz Field Laboratory, located on the sandy soil of the East Cross Timbers vegetational area, is a 76-acre site that consists primarily of deciduous forest, including both upland and bottomland vegetation. The Clinton and Edith Sneed Environmental Research Area, a 100-acre site in the Blackland Prairie vegetational area, is adjacent to Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge; this property includes a small native prairie plot and three ponds. The Sneed ERA is the site of an extensive effort to restore native prairie vegetation. The Garnett Prairie is a 60-acre tract, also in the Blackland Prairie zone; it includes a 10-acre tract of intact native prairie. The McCarley Woods Nature Preserve is a 12-acre site that is primarily upland hardwood forest. These field sites serve as outdoor laboratories for students and faculty

in biology and environmental studies to examine organisms in a natural setting. The proximity of these sites to the campus and to one another facilitates comparative studies and long-term research projects. A number of courses including Animal Behavior, Ecology, Evolutionary Biology, Ecosystem Ecology, Plant Biology, Vertebrate Biology, and environmental studies courses use the areas for field trips, class projects, and individual research.

Robert L. Snider Memorial Social Science Lab

The purpose of the Social Science Lab (SSLab) is to improve and make more relevant the education of social science students by stimulating and encouraging the use of research as a teaching and learning device. It is located in Hopkins Center Room B2. It was dedicated during the sesquicentennial homecoming in honor of one of the early student coordinators, Robert L. Snider '72, who helped establish internships and resource connections with a metroplex company. The SSLab typically employs three or four students during the academic year with some summer internships.

Field and laboratory research is incorporated as a regular part of the social science courses in an interdisciplinary environment for students and faculty interested in empirical research. Through the SSLab, students can observe political and social behavior, formulate hypotheses about human behavior, test these hypotheses by survey research techniques, and acquire a more immediate and realistic sense of the structure and needs of the community.

Research Practicum in Social Science Lab

In certain social science disciplines the department's sophomore, junior, and senior students may take a one-fourth course credit research practicum at the SSLab or under an appropriate professor utilizing the SSLab resources. Such work extends over a whole fall term, January term, spring term, or summer term and may be repeated for credit up to a total of one course credit unit. The research practicum is designed so that students may experience social science techniques by working on research projects while gaining an in-depth understanding of a particular area.

Interested students should consult the Social Science Lab coordinator and a faculty member who will be responsible for signing registration forms, serving as a consultant for the student's research, and assessing the final grade. Approval by the director of the Social Science Lab is required. The Social Science Lab has resources such as modules on interviewing, survey research and data analysis techniques, and computer statistical packages that the student may use.

Off-Campus Learning Opportunities

Austin College encourages the pursuit of off-campus programs and projects by all students at some point in their college careers. Many of its January term offerings, summer institutes, and non-credit programs provide the means for enriched educational experiences. Field study opportunities are available during the regular academic year and during the summer as well.



Internships

Internship Experiences afford students special opportunities not normally available in the classroom. These include career exploration, clarifying interests and skills, networking with professionals, and applying a liberal arts education to “real world” problems. Some internships are available through academic departments while others are administered through Career Services.

Career Study Off-Campus (CSOC): A student may earn a maximum of three course credit units through **Career Study Off-Campus** (referred to as field study or internship) during a 14-week term and a maximum of two course credit units during the summer. During the January term, one such study course can be taken. Of the total number of course credit units required for the Bachelor of Arts degree, not more than six can be Career Study Off-Campus courses. Courses are graded on an S/D/U basis.

Eligibility requirements for students proposing a Career Study Off-Campus:

- Sophomore, junior, or senior standing at the time the study is undertaken
- Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average
- Successful completion of non-credit training workshop on self-directed learning
- Faculty instructor who will agree to evaluate the student’s CSOC
- Site supervisor must agree to oversee and ensure that the student’s goals and objectives are met. The supervisor also must complete an evaluation for the student upon the completion of the CSOC.

Proposed studies must be of the student’s own design and be carried out on-site or sites that provide the student with a substantive view of the work performed in that particular profession. A student will work with an on-site coordinator or supervisor (a qualified individual who can assist and/or partially direct the study). Proposals should reflect substantial academic, intellectual content and contain clear and concise goal statements, learning objectives, and resources used, as well as some type of tangible end product to be evaluated by the instructor. All proposed studies must be approved by the most appropriate department chair and divisional dean.

Further information regarding specific deadlines, procedures, and workshop dates as well as assistance in the selection and design of various studies is available through the director of Career Study Off-Campus in Career Services in Adams Center.

Global Outreach “GO” Fellowship Program: GO Fellowships are intended to provide meaningful and potentially life-changing experiences for a select group of Austin College students while benefiting the communities they target. Specifically designed for non-profit projects and internships, applicants dedicate part of their summer to meaningful community development projects domestically or abroad. Ten to 15 Austin College students are selected annually as Global Outreach Fellows and stipends support their projects and their participation in the projects or internships. For more information contact the internship coordinator in Career Services by early February.



Study Abroad Program

The study abroad program aims to facilitate global awareness and promote intercultural understanding by supporting curricular opportunities in international venues.

The program has three general goals:

- That students gain in global awareness and intercultural understanding by taking part in semester or year abroad and by programmatic interaction with students who have completed international experiences.
- That students who study abroad will make gains in global awareness and intercultural understanding.
- That Austin College faculty will be engaged in assessment, advice, and sponsorship of study abroad opportunities consistent with broad curricular aims.

Austin College emphasizes the international education of its students and arranges a variety of experiences throughout the world. Our students go overseas for cultural and language immersion, to pursue work in their majors, to take electives, and to engage in internships. Study abroad, when planned by the student in conjunction with the Center for Global Learning, is an integral part of the student's degree program. Credit will be converted from the credit system used at the specific study abroad location to Austin College course credits at the rate of four semester hours being equal to one Austin College credit.

Students select from an extensive list of approved programs based on the college's affiliations with selected organizations and foreign and U.S. institutions. Summer programs also are available especially for language immersion and internships. (See College Costs section for information on study abroad program costs.) Study abroad benefits students in all majors within humanities, social sciences, and sciences. Students can study their chosen major or minor while gaining insight into language and culture of the host country.



Students interested in applying for a semester or year abroad should begin the information and advising process as early as possible, in their first year on campus if possible. The initial step of application is to contact the student's academic mentor and the Center for Global Learning for advice and counsel. To qualify, the student must have a good academic record, must have demonstrated sufficient maturity and self-discipline to benefit from such study, and, in some cases, must provide evidence of competence in the language of the host country. Students are not eligible to participate in the study abroad program while on probation.

Independent Study Off-Campus (NSOC)

These courses (numbered 492) afford students an opportunity to carry out independent study at off-campus locations, quite frequently abroad. The criteria (3.00 cumulative grade point average, junior or senior class standing, and depth of preparation) and the approval process for qualifying for an NSOC are the same as for Independent Studies. Students should demonstrate that the off-campus site for the study is essential to the success of the project. Additionally, students must identify an on-site contact person located at the place of

study. Ordinarily, students develop NSOC projects for summer or January terms and only one course credit may be earned for such a study. A few program units offer an intermediate-level NSOC (numbered 292). The course is open to sophomore students and the requirements are similar to NSOC 492.

Extension or Correspondence Courses

A maximum of eight approved course credit units by extension or correspondence from an accredited college or university may be accepted toward the Bachelor of Arts degree at Austin College. Not more than one-half of this total may be correspondence study. A student enrolled at Austin College may obtain credit for correspondence or extension studies at another institution only if written permission of the registrar has been secured before undertaking the course or courses. Credit to be applied to the major or minor will be accepted only if similar approval has been secured from the department chair or program director.

The Washington Semester Program

Each semester students may participate in the Washington Semester Program. Students register at American University and spend the fall or spring semester studying in one of many program areas, working in a related internship, and pursuing a guided research project. Available program areas include: American Politics and Policy, Transforming Communities and Public Policy, Foreign Policy, Justice and Law, Peace and Conflict Resolution, International Law and Organizations, International Environment and Development, Islam and World Affairs, Global Economics and Business, Journalism and New Media. Many of these programs include the opportunity to study abroad during part of the semester. For information on applying, please contact Nathan Bigelow in Political Science.

Pre-Professional Preparation

Austin College offers excellent pre-professional preparation for law, medicine, dentistry, the ministry, engineering, and other professional schools as well as graduate schools. The primary and common prerequisite for admission to the professional and graduate schools is a sound liberal arts education. The student, in consultation with the faculty mentor, selects an appropriate major in keeping with professional school requirements. Special pre-professional advisors have been designated for each area.

Pre-Law

Austin College has a long and successful track record in preparing students for careers in the legal profession. A thorough liberal arts education is the best foundation for students to attain both their personal and professional goals, and law schools respond most favorably to this educational philosophy. The Austin College pre-law advisor aids students in degree planning, law school selection, and the application process. Austin College has a high acceptance rate of its graduates by law schools in Texas and throughout the nation. The Austin College Pre-Law Society strives to provide students with an understanding of the law and the legal profession as well as information about law schools. Throughout the year it brings to campus guest speakers, such as lawyers, judges, law professors, law students, and law school admissions personnel. To further help students discern their suitability for a career in law, the Austin College Pre-Law Society and the Austin College “L” Association (our alumni lawyer association) each year sponsor the Dr. Kenneth Street Law



Symposium, which draws to campus leading members of the bench and bar to discuss pressing legal issues of our time. The Symposium provides both students interested in the law and practicing attorneys the chance to engage leading figures of the legal profession in a forum dedicated to the discussion of issues that form a bridge between the theoretical world of the liberal arts and the practical world of the legal profession. Students have a further opportunity to explore their interest in the legal profession through participation in the College's Moot Court, Mock Trial, and Mediation programs.

Health Sciences (Pre-Medicine, Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Allied Health)

The mission of the health sciences program is to assist in educating students about different career opportunities in health care and assist them in the application/interview process to professional schools. Austin College has a long history of excellence in preparing students for entry into a variety of health science programs throughout the United States. The program focuses on providing students with a solid background in the sciences, while placing this background in the context of a broad liberal arts education. Students also are strongly encouraged to gain field experiences through internships or volunteer work so they can apply their education in a health care setting. Students may select a major in any discipline; however, they also must complete certain courses that are required for entry into the specific professional school. The director of Health Sciences can provide information about prerequisites for specific programs. Students are encouraged to seek a major that is of genuine interest to them. The overall strength of the program lies in the development of the whole person: a student's intellect, experiences, and social values.

Austin College has established several January term programs that serve to enrich the health sciences area. In one program, four pre-medical students who have good conversational skills in Spanish spend the January term working and observing in a medical clinic in Pisté, Yucatan, Mexico. Students also may complete a Career Study Off-Campus program (CSOC) during either the January term or summer term. Special CSOCs in January include community-based health education internships in Cameron Park (through UTMB Galveston), Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, UT Health Center at Tyler, Medical City in Dallas, Texoma Medical Center in Denison, Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital – WNJ in Sherman, and Texoma Neurology in the north Texas area. The Wright Health Sciences Program provides some financial support for summer internships for students who are interested in pursuing a career in the allied health sciences.

Austin College and Texas Tech School of Medicine (TTTSM) have established an early decision/acceptance program. Outstanding Texas residents who choose to attend Austin College and TTTSM may be interested in this special program. Students who enter Austin College with an SAT of 1300 (verbal + math) or ACT of 29 (single administration) and who then maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 and a science grade point average of 3.6 during the first one and one-half years at the college are eligible to be considered for the program. The student will then receive an interview at the medical school in the fall of the sophomore year. If accepted into TTTSM, the student will not need to take the MCAT, but must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 and science grade point average of 3.6 through the senior year in addition to completing the Bachelor of Arts degree from Austin College. All courses must be completed at Austin College. The student will enter TTTSM in the fall following graduation from Austin College.

Although most Austin College students matriculate into medical or dental school following completion of the Bachelor of Arts degree (normal program or Texas Tech program), it is possible to be accepted into medical or dental school after three years of college work. If an Austin College student is accepted into a professional program after three years, the Bachelor of Arts degree from Austin College may be awarded after successful completion of the first year of professional school, provided that a minimum of 25 courses has been completed and all college requirements for graduation are met excluding approved courses for a major or minor, science courses, or elective credit courses. Details concerning this opportunity can be obtained from the director of health sciences or the registrar.

Pre-Ministry

Throughout its history, Austin College has played a vital role in the education of students preparing for ministerial professions and church vocations. The Department of Religious Studies offers a wide range of non-confessional, critically engaging, multi-faith courses and perspectives in the liberal arts and humanities tradition that a student could utilize to enhance her or his preparation for ministry in its diverse forms.

Students who are interested in pursuing a graduate seminary (M.Div.) degree or more general professional training for a church vocation should register with the college chaplain. Individual mentoring is available with members of the religious studies faculty and the college chaplain.

Each year, representatives from different theological seminaries visit the campus. Please contact the college chaplain, John Williams, for more information.

Pre-Engineering

Austin College offers a Dual-Degree Program in Engineering (sometimes referred to as the 3/2 or 4/2 Engineering Program). This program provides students the opportunity to earn two undergraduate degrees by obtaining a liberal arts background before specializing in an engineering field. Students attend Austin College for either three or four years, then attend an engineering school for two to three years. At the end of this time, they receive a Bachelor of Arts degree from Austin College and a bachelor's degree in engineering from the cooperating institution.

Austin College is one of a select group of liberal arts colleges that have cooperative agreements with Washington University in St. Louis and Columbia University in New York. Both universities offer a wide range of programs in engineering and the applied sciences. These special agreements offer certain advantages to students, but it is possible for students to transfer to a variety of other engineering schools, both in the state of Texas and elsewhere, provided sufficient advance planning is undertaken in the first two years at Austin College.

An important part of this advanced planning is the Declaration of Dual-Degree Program, which shows how all Austin College requirements for graduation will be met. This Declaration must be filed concurrently with the Major Declaration. Upon completion of the requirements for the degree at the engineering school, the student also is awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from Austin College.

Although Austin College does not offer on-campus engineering courses, students acquire a strong foundation of physics, mathematics, and chemistry to prepare them for engineering programs. While at Austin College, qualified students may earn an engineering course credit from Washington University by enrolling in a special off-campus course during January term. Costs for this, like other special off-campus January term courses, are not included in the basic tuition fee.

The Dual-Degree Engineering Program assumes the same academic preparation prior to admission to Austin College as that required of students admitted directly to the engineering school as freshmen. For example, the student should be ready to enter calculus and physics during the first term of the first year. A student not so prepared may need to take extra courses in a summer term or an extra fall or spring term. It is important that the interested student consult with the pre-engineering advisor in the selection of all courses to be taken at Austin College.

Academic Regulations

Course Credits and Classification

Progress toward graduation is measured through course credit units. Austin College is on a 4-1-4 calendar system (4 courses fall – 1 course January term – 4 courses spring) and considers one course credit unit to be equivalent to four semester credit hours. Most curricular offerings are one course credit unit. Other classes, as designated, may carry only one-fourth or one-half course credit unit.

Student classification is determined at the beginning of each term:

An **undergraduate student** is one who does not hold a bachelor's degree and is enrolled in undergraduate courses.

A **full-time undergraduate student** is one who is registered for at least three course credit units during a fall or spring term, at least two course credit units during the summer term, or one course credit unit during the January term. For purposes of federal financial aid, an undergraduate student must be registered in three course credit units in the fall or spring to be considered full-time and at least one and one-half course credit units during the fall, spring, or summer term to be considered half-time.

A **part-time student** is one who is registered for fewer course credit units than are specified for full-time status.

A **freshman** is one who has satisfactorily met all entrance requirements for the bachelor's of arts degree program and who has completed less than 8 course credit units.

A **sophomore** is one who has completed at least 8 course credit units.

A **junior** is one who has completed at least 17 course credit units.

A **senior** is one who has completed at least 25 course credit units.

A **special high school student** is one who has been admitted to one or more undergraduate courses while concurrently enrolled in high school.

A **graduate student** is one who holds a bachelor's degree and has been admitted to the graduate program.

A **full-time graduate student** is one who is registered for at least two course credit units during a fall or spring term, at least one course credit unit for the summer term, and at least one course credit for the January term. For purposes of financial aid, a graduate student must be registered in two course credit units during the fall or spring to be considered full-time and at least one course credit unit during the fall, spring, or summer term to be considered half-time.

A **provisional graduate student** is one who holds a bachelor's degree and has been admitted to the Austin Teacher Program but has not yet been admitted to the graduate program.

A **special undergraduate student** is one who has been admitted to one or more undergraduate courses but has not been admitted to work toward a degree.

A **special graduate student** is one who holds a bachelor's degree and has been admitted to one or more graduate courses but has not been admitted to either the Austin Teacher Program or the graduate program.

Registration and Withdrawal

Registration

A student becomes a member of a class only by registering or adding the class through the proper procedures. Class rolls are accessed through WebHopper. When a student's name appears on the WebHopper class roll, the student has officially registered for the class. Any course for which a student registers will be recorded with an appropriate grade on the student's transcript unless the student drops the course through the proper procedure. A student is expected to attend and participate in each course for which he or she registered until officially withdrawn from that course.

Continuing students may register for no more than 4.75 course credit units during the November and April registrations. They may not add a fifth full credit course until the day after classes commence and all entering freshmen and transfer students have registered.

Change of Registration

Students may change their initial registrations by adding or dropping courses within the time period specified in the academic calendar for each term. The student's mentor must approve all changes. There is a \$20 late fee charged for petitioned added courses processed after the official add period (first week of class for the fall and spring terms). The charge is the same for both full and fractional credit courses.

Course Overload

Students who register during a long term in excess of five course credit units are required to pay an overload fee (see College Costs). Students may register for no more than 5.75 course credit units in a long term unless approved by their mentor and the Academic Standing Committee. The academic standing petition form for a course overload is available in the Office of the Registrar or under Forms on the Registrar's Office Web site.

Withdrawal and Dismissal from College

In order to prevent questions and ambiguities that could arise at a later date, a student withdrawing from Austin College should consult the vice president for Student Affairs and Athletics, and should give formal written notice of withdrawal. This notice, filed with the student's record, serves as an explanation of the withdrawal.

The college reserves the right to exclude at any time students whose conduct or academic standing it regards as unsatisfactory, without assigning any further reasons.

Class Attendance

Class attendance is expected of all students. Within the first week of each term, the instructor will communicate the attendance policy for each class. Irregular attendance or excessive unexcused absences may result in the lowering of the student's grade for a course or the student being dropped from the course with a failing grade.

Grading System

The following grades are used at Austin College:

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| A | Unusual and superior achievement |
| B | Intelligent, articulate achievement, above-average in fulfilling course requirements |
| C | Passing work, representing graduation average |
| S | Satisfactory achievement (work must be at or above C- level) |
| D | Passing but deficient work performance, below the standard required for graduation |
| F | Failure without privilege of re-examination |
| U | Unsatisfactory work |
| I | Incomplete. Incomplete grades are given only if circumstances beyond the student's control prevented completion of the course. To obtain credit, an incomplete grade must be removed by the end of the next regular term. Unless the incomplete is removed within the time set, the grade in the course will automatically become F or U. |
| W | Withdrawal from the course by the first day of the seventh week of the fall or spring term |
| WP | Withdrawal with a passing status. Students must initiate such a withdrawal by the last day of instruction of a 14-week course. The WP grade on either a letter grade system or S/D/U system represents a D- or higher. |
| WF/WU | Withdrawal with a failing or unsatisfactory status. Students must initiate such a withdrawal by the last day of instruction of a 14-week course. The WF grade is given for a course taken on a letter grade system if the student has a grade below a D-. The WU grade is given for a course taken on the S/D/U grade system if the student has a grade below a D-. |

Note: the last day of instruction is defined as the Monday preceding the final examination period.

Grade points are earned as follows:

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| A = 4.0 | D- = 0.7 |
| A- = 3.7 | F = 0 |
| B+ = 3.3 | U = 0 |
| B = 3.0 | WF = 0 |
| B- = 2.7 | WU = 0 |
| C+ = 2.3 | |
| C = 2.0 | |
| C- = 1.7 | |
| D+ = 1.3 | |
| D = 1.0 | |

Courses with grades of F, U, WF, or WU are counted as courses attempted for purposes of computing grade point averages. Courses with grades of S, W, WP, or I are not included in the computation of grade point averages.

Grading Regulations

Course-Level Student Responsibility

To receive credit in a course, each student must satisfactorily complete the assigned work by the end of the term and a final examination when specified. Assigned work in the course may include class recitation, daily written work, short quizzes, library reading, research papers, tests, and other requirements that enhance learning and enable the instructor to evaluate the progress of the student.

Absence from a scheduled final examination without appropriate excuse may result in failure of the course. An appropriate excuse derives from causes beyond the control of the student. The final examination schedule is available on the Austin College Web site or in the Office of the Registrar.

Grade Grievance Process

When a student is in disagreement with a professor over the course grade (or other course-related issues such as attendance, assignment parameters, etc.), the student should first respectfully discuss the issue with the professor in an attempt to resolve the difference. If this proves to be impossible, the disagreement may be referred in a written appeal to the department chair or program director supporting the course for investigation and a decision. Continuing disagreement on such academic issues may be referred to the division dean or vice president for academic affairs and should begin with a written appeal and explanation of previous attempts to resolve the issue. The last appeal in all cases shall be to the vice president of academic affairs, unless that person is the professor for the course. In that case, the president reviews the final appeal. Attempts to circumvent the systematic appeal process will result in a referral to the appropriate level for consideration. Grade grievances for a course must begin within one full year of the end of the course to be considered appropriately. Grade changes will not be entertained after the baccalaureate degree has been conferred.

Optional Grading System

Courses used to meet requirements for the Foundation (Communication/Inquiry) and Breadth Dimension must be taken using the standard letter grade system (A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, or F). Many majors and minors also require or recommend that students to take courses for a standard letter grade. Information related to those requirements can be found in the Academic Departments and Courses of Study section of the Bulletin.

A student may opt to take a maximum of one course per term on a Satisfactory/Deficient/Unsatisfactory (S/D/U) basis excluding courses that have a mandatory S/D/U grading system. Students may elect no more than a total of four courses during their academic career to be graded on an S/D/U basis. Transfer students may elect a proportionate number of courses to be graded on the S/D/U basis during their academic career as determined by the number of terms attended.

The student designates the grading system to be used in a course at the time of registration but may elect a change in grading system by filing a request with the Registrar's Office according to the deadline published in the academic calendar.

Repeated Courses

Students may repeat for additional credit only those courses so designated in the Bulletin. When a course is repeated to raise a grade, all attempts and grades remain listed on the transcript but are marked to indicate the course has been repeated. Only the last attempt is used to determine credit earned and grade point average (unless the grade for the last attempt is a W, WP, WF, or WU, in which case the previous attempt is used to determine credit and grade point average). Courses cross-listed in the Bulletin (such as Business Administration 361 and Economics 361) are treated as if they are the same course. Only courses repeated at the college can be used to raise a grade.

Repeating courses may have implications for the financial aid offered by Austin College. Refer to the Financial Aid – Satisfactory Academic Progress section for information related to how repeating courses may impact federal, state, and institutional financial aid.

Transfer Credit for Continuing Students

Students may with prior approval enroll in courses at other colleges and universities and transfer credit to their Austin College degree program. Transfer approval forms are available in the Office of the Registrar. The following transfer credit policies apply to summer or concurrent transfer courses:

- Transfer courses must be consistent with the academic programs of Austin College.
- Only transfer courses with a grade of ‘C’ or higher will be accepted.
- Transfer courses taken in a semester hour system will be converted to course credit units at the rate of four semester hours being equal to one Austin College credit.
- Transfer courses being used to meet requirements for a major, minor, or prerequisites must be approved by the appropriate department chair or program director.
- Transfer courses not previously accepted are reviewed by the appropriate department chair or program director to ensure the appropriateness of the course in an Austin College degree program.
- Transfer courses being used to meet the language competency requirement must be approved by the chair of the Classical and Modern Language Department.
- Transfer courses may be used to meet Breadth Requirements (see The Academic Program – Breadth Dimension).
- Transfer courses will not be used in calculating the cumulative grade point average or major and minor grade point average.
- Transfer courses will not be used as repeats of Austin College courses for recalculation of grade point averages.
- Eight of the last 11 course credit units in a student’s degree program must be completed at Austin College.
- Students may petition for individual approval of a transfer course not normally accepted at Austin College. Students must provide a syllabus or complete course description and specify how the course is relevant to their degree program.

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that an official transcript from the other institution is sent to the Registrar’s Office.

Academic Probation and Suspension

Probation Review

Students' academic records are reviewed at the end of each fall and spring term, and an academic standing is assessed. A cumulative grade point average of 2.00 is the minimum standard for graduation. Only Austin College grades are included in this calculation. A student whose cumulative grade point average falls below the thresholds listed below will automatically be placed on academic probation through the following 14-week term. At the end of the probationary term the following action may be taken:

1. If the student's cumulative grade point average is above the thresholds listed below, the student will be removed from academic probation.
2. If the student's cumulative grade point average is below the thresholds listed below but the student earns a term grade point average of 2.25 or higher and completes a full course load (3 credits) during the probationary period, the student's academic probation will be extended through the following 14-week term.
3. If the student's cumulative grade point average is below thresholds listed below and the student's probationary term grade point average is less than 2.25, the student may be suspended from the college.

Academic Probation Thresholds for First-Year Students

| | Semester 1 | Semester 2 | Semester 3 | Remainder of attendance |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Cumulative GPA | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.0 |

A notation of probationary status (i.e., academic standing) is placed on the transcript of any student on academic probation.

Probation is intended to alert the student to current difficulties and the need for corrective action. Students on academic probation maintain the ability to enroll in courses at Austin College, but are strongly urged to consult with their mentor or the Office of Student Affairs and Athletics to work out a plan for earning removal from probation. Students on probation are required to concentrate primarily on academic endeavors until their level of academic achievement improves so they can be removed from probation. Those students on academic probation may not hold an office or hold committee responsibility in student organizations, but they may continue to be members of organizations and may attend social functions. Such students are not allowed to represent the college in any official capacity. When there is sufficient justification, an exception to these restrictions may be granted by the Academic Standing Committee chaired by the registrar.

Any student whose term or cumulative grade point average falls below 1.00 is not considered to be making satisfactory progress and may be suspended. A notation of suspension is placed on the transcript of the student's academic record.

Readmission Following Suspension

A student placed on academic or disciplinary suspension may apply for readmission after a specified period of one or two regular terms. Readmission is at the discretion of Austin College. To be considered for possible readmission, a student must have a personal conference with the vice president for Academic Affairs and the

vice president for Student Affairs and Athletics (or their designees) one month prior to the term for which readmission is sought. If readmitted, the student will be on probation with specific stipulations of the progress required for continuation. Failure to meet these stipulations will lead to suspension for a full academic year.

Impact of Academic Performance on Financial Aid

The academic performance of a student may negatively impact the financial aid awarded by Austin College. The Office of Financial Aid is required by state and federal agencies to monitor your academic progress in an independent, parallel process at the end of each fall and spring term. The Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy should be consulted in the section on Financial Aid – Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress of this Bulletin.

Access to Records and Files: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

Academic files for all students are housed in the Registrar’s Office, and students’ educational portfolios are maintained in the Office of Student Affairs and Athletics. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 provides eligible students certain rights and privileges with respect to their educational records. These rights include:

- The right to inspect and review the student’s educational record within 45 days after the day Austin College receives a request for access. A student should submit a written request to the registrar or vice president of Student Affairs and Athletics explaining the record in which the student wants to inspect. Arrangements for a time and place will be made with the student to inspect the record.
- The right to request an amendment of the student’s education records that the student believes to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student’s privacy rights under FERPA. The student who wishes to request an amendment must make a written request to the registrar or vice president of Student Affairs and Athletics identifying the record that the student is seeking to change and the rationale for the change. An investigation of the request will be made and the school will notify the student in writing as to the decision and rationale.
- The right to provide written consent before the college discloses personally identifiable information from the student’s education record, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.
- The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Austin College to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Ave, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202

FERPA also stipulates provisions concerning release of material in a student’s file to outsiders. Austin College complies fully with the legislation and follows the guidelines issued by the Department of Education. The official statement of compliance by Austin College regarding the 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act is published in the Outback Guide. Any questions about these policies and procedures should be referred to the registrar or the vice president for Student Affairs and Athletics.

Degree Conferral

Austin College has three dates when students may complete their degree requirements: May, August, or January. The official date is placed on the diploma and on the student's permanent record.

Austin College holds a single graduation exercise each year in May. Candidates completing the requirements for a degree during the spring term are expected to participate in baccalaureate and commencement ceremonies. Students who complete their degree requirements at other times of the year are invited to participate in the May commencement.

Normally, only those students who have completed all degree requirements or candidates for summer graduation may participate in the graduation exercises. Candidates approved by the faculty for May graduation who subsequently fail to complete all necessary requirements may participate in that year's graduation exercises. The actual diploma is mailed after all requirements are satisfied.

Students who are within three course credit units of completing all degree requirements during the summer may participate in graduation exercises. Candidates for summer graduation should consult the Office of the Registrar concerning requirements for participation in graduation exercises.

The college reserves the right to withhold the degree from any student whose conduct or academic standing it regards as unacceptable.

Courses of Instruction

For an explanatory statement concerning graduation requirements, see previous section, The Academic Program.

Course Numbering: The course number generally reflects the academic level at which the course is offered. January term courses are numbered 100, 200, 300, 400. Other courses are numbered as follows:

001-099 Participation/proficiency non-credit courses

101-199 Introductory-level work

201-299 Intermediate-level work

301-399 Advanced-level work

401-499 Most advanced courses

500-599 Graduate-level work (see section on Teacher Education for further descriptions of 500-level courses)

Course Credit and Student Load: The course is the unit of credit occupying approximately one-fourth of the student's study time during a 14-week term and all of one's study time in the January term. During the 14-week term, as a general guideline, the college expects from its students a minimum commitment of nine to 10 hours of engagement a week per credit unit, to include class time, preparation, and reflection. Unless otherwise indicated, each course listing constitutes one course credit unit. Fractional courses are so indicated. Only those courses listed as repeatable may be taken again for additional credit. During each long term (fall and spring), the typical course credit load for undergraduate students enrolled full-time is three or four courses. Credits presented from other institutions will be converted to course credit units at the rate of four semester hours equal to one course credit unit.

Time of Offering: Most courses are offered once or twice each year provided there is adequate registration. Certain courses are scheduled to be offered less frequently. The planned schedule for regularly offered courses may be found at the end of the course description. The college reserves the right to change this schedule if necessary.

Arrangement: The Courses of Instruction section is organized alphabetically by the official name of the academic program and includes both academic departments and interdisciplinary programs. Some academic departments include the courses of more than one discipline and are listed alphabetically within the department.

Academic Departments and Courses of Study

African Studies

American Studies

Art and Art History

Asian Studies

Biology

Chemistry

- *also Biochemistry*

Classical and Modern Languages

- *Classics*
- *East Asian Languages and Cultures*
- *French*
- *German*
- *Spanish*

Cognitive Science

Communication, Media Studies, and Theatre

- *Communication*
- *Media Studies*
- *Theatre*

Economics and Business Administration

- *Accounting*
- *Business Administration*
- *Business Finance*
- *Economics*
- *also International Economics and Finance*

English

Environmental Studies

Exercise and Sport Science

Film Studies

(see Communication, Media Studies and Theatre for more information)

Gender Studies

General Studies

Global Science, Technology, and Society

History

Humanities

Latin American and Iberian Studies

Leadership Studies

Mathematics and Computer Science

- *Computer Science*
- *Mathematics*

Music

Neuroscience

Nonprofit Organizations and Public Service

Philosophy

- *also Ethics*

Physics

Political Science

- *also International Relations*

Psychology

- *also Educational Psychology*

Public Health

Religious Studies

Science

Social Science

Sociology and Anthropology

- *Anthropology*
- *Sociology*

Southwestern and Mexican Studies

Teacher Education

Western Intellectual Tradition

FOUNDATION COURSES

COMMUNICATION/INQUIRY

Director: Mark Hébert

CI 101 Communication/Inquiry (Freshman Seminar)

Communication/Inquiry 101 (C/I 101) serves as the foundation course in the undergraduate curriculum. While topics vary with the interests and specialization of each instructor, all sections emphasize the development of written and oral communication, intellectual inquiry, and critical thinking. The C/I instructor also serves as the student's faculty mentor and academic advisor. (Each fall)

CL 245 Communication/Leadership

Selected upper-class students serve as members of faculty-student leadership teams in planning and implementing the various sections of Communication/Inquiry 101. Admission by special permission of program director and C/I faculty. (Graded on S/D/U basis). (Each fall)

Academic Departments and Courses of Study

AFRICAN STUDIES

AFST 121 African History and Cultures

A survey of African history and cultures focusing on the roots of African institutions, the impact of colonialism, and the modern era of independence. While North Africa is included, the emphasis is on sub-Saharan Africa. The course includes special concentration on contemporary problem areas, e.g., Angola, Namibia, and South Africa. (Each spring).

AMERICAN STUDIES

Director: Greg Kinzer

American studies is an interdisciplinary major that explores the diverse character of American intellectual and cultural life, both past and present. The program engages the United States as well as its place in a global world from a wide range of disciplinary perspectives.

American Studies helps students develop critical skills in cultural analysis, gain a knowledge of and appreciation for the diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds, gender roles, class backgrounds, and other forms of diversity in American society, and develop a broad and multidisciplinary perspective of the U.S. so as to better understand its past, present, and possible futures.

Degrees Offered in American Studies

Major in American Studies

Minor in American Studies

A major in American studies consists of:

Introduction to American Studies Requirement (1 course): It is strongly recommended that AMST 231 be taken no later than the first semester of the student's junior year.

_____ AMST 231 Introduction to American Studies or an approved substitute
(Generally offered in fall)

American Art, Film Literature, and/or Music Requirement (1 course)

_____ ARTH 250 Topics in Art History (depending on topic)
_____ ARTH 343 Modern Art and Architecture
_____ ENG 250, 251, 252 (depending on topic)
_____ ENG 353 Studies in 19th-Century American Literature
_____ ENG 363 Studies in 20th-Century American Literature
_____ MUS 114 Rock 'N' Roll
_____ MUS 118 20th Century American music
_____ MUS 342 Aspects of 20th-Century Music (depending on topic)

American Ethnic Experience Requirement (1 course)

_____ ENG 250, 251, 252 (depending on topic)
_____ ENG 353 Studies in 19th-Century American Literature (depending on topic)
_____ ENG 363 Studies in 20th-Century American Literature (depending on topic)
_____ HIST 282 Civil Rights: 1945 – present
_____ HIST 250/350 Topics in History (depending on topic)
_____ HIST 284 The History of Texas
_____ HIST 329 The Spanish Borderlands
_____ ANTH/SOC 236 Anthropology of the City (depending on topic)
_____ ANTH 362 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience
_____ ANTH/SOC 365 Race & Ethnic Relations
_____ GS 250 Intro to Southwestern Studies

American Culture Before 1900 Requirement (1 course)

_____ 250, 251, 252 (depending on topic)
_____ ENG 353 19th-Century American literature
_____ HIST 162 U.S. History to 1876
_____ HIST 284 The History of Texas
_____ HIST 329 The Spanish Borderlands
_____ HIST 361 American Colonial History & Revolutionary War Era
_____ HIST 363 Civil War & Reconstruction
_____ HIST 364 United States: Gilded Age and Progressive Era

Scientific or Social Scientific Study of American Culture Requirement (1 course)

_____ ANTH/SOC 236 Anthropology of the City (depending on topic)
_____ ANTH 362 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience
_____ ANTH/SOC 365 Race & Ethnic Relations
_____ PSCI 110 American Government
_____ PSCI 120 American Political Thought
_____ PSCI 310 Congress
_____ PSCI 311 The Presidency
_____ PSCI 315 Campaigns and Elections

- _____ PSCI 410 U.S. Constitutional Law
- _____ PSCI 432 U.S. Foreign Policy
- _____ SOC 121 Marriage and Family (depending on topic)
- _____ SOC 241 Sex and Gender in Society
- _____ SOC 385 Social Movements

Advanced American Studies Elective One (1 course)

_____ Any course numbered 300 or higher from above

Advanced American Studies Elective Two (1 course)

_____ Any course numbered 300 or higher from above

Advanced American Studies Elective Three (1 course)

_____ Any course numbered 300 or higher from above

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- The same course may count toward more than one requirement for the major, if approved by the director prior to enrollment.
- Many departments offer topics courses that meet these requirements in addition to the courses listed here, and such courses may count with director's approval.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A **minor in American studies** consists of:

Introduction to American Studies Requirement (1 course): It is strongly recommended that AMST 231 be taken no later than the first semester of the student's junior year.

_____ AMST 231 Introduction to American Studies or an approved substitute
(Generally offered in fall)

American Art, Film Literature, and/or Music Requirement (1 course)

- _____ ARTH 250 Topics in Art History (depending on topic)
- _____ ARTH 343 Modern Art and Architecture
- _____ ENG 250, 251, 252 (depending on topic)
- _____ ENG 353 Studies in 19th-Century American Literature
- _____ ENG 363 Studies in 20th-Century American Literature
- _____ MUS 114 Rock 'N' Roll
- _____ MUS 118 20th Century American music
- _____ MUS 342 Aspects of 20th-Century Music (depending on topic)

American Ethnic Experience Requirement (1 course)

- _____ ENG 250, 251, 252 (depending on topic)
- _____ ENG 353 Studies in 19th-Century American Literature (depending on topic)
- _____ ENG 363 Studies in 20th-Century American Literature (depending on topic)
- _____ HIST 282 Civil Rights: 1945 – present
- _____ HIST 250/350 Topics in History (depending on topic)
- _____ HIST 284 The History of Texas
- _____ HIST 329 The Spanish Borderlands

- _____ ANTH/SOC 236 Anthropology of the City (depending on topic)
- _____ ANTH 362 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience
- _____ ANTH/SOC 365 Race & Ethnic Relations
- _____ GS 250 Intro to Southwestern Studies

American Culture Before 1900 Requirement (1 course)

- _____ 250, 251, 252 (depending on topic)
- _____ ENG 353 19th Century American literature
- _____ HIST 162 U.S. History to 1876
- _____ HIST 284 The History of Texas
- _____ HIST 329 The Spanish Borderlands
- _____ HIST 361 American Colonial History & Revolutionary War Era
- _____ HIST 363 Civil War & Reconstruction
- _____ HIST 364 United States: Gilded Age and Progressive Era

Scientific or Social Scientific Study of American Culture Requirement (1 course)

- _____ ANTH/SOC 236 Anthropology of the City (depending on topic)
- _____ ANTH 362 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience
- _____ ANTH/SOC 365 Race & Ethnic Relations
- _____ PSCI 110 American Government
- _____ PSCI 120 American Political Thought
- _____ PSCI 310 Congress
- _____ PSCI 311 The Presidency
- _____ PSCI 315 Campaigns and Elections
- _____ PSCI 410 U.S. Constitutional Law
- _____ PSCI 432 U.S. Foreign Policy
- _____ SOC 121 Marriage and Family (depending on topic)
- _____ SOC 241 Sex and Gender in Society
- _____ SOC 385 Social Movements

American Studies Electives (2 courses)

- _____ Of the required coursework, at least two courses must be numbered 200 or above

Advanced American Studies Elective (1 course)

- _____ Of the required coursework, at least one additional course must be numbered 300 level or higher

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- The same course may count toward more than one requirement for the minor, if approved by the director prior to enrollment.
- Many departments offer topics courses that meet these requirements in addition to the courses listed here, and such courses may count with director's approval.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

AMST 231 Introduction to American Studies

An exploration of the interdisciplinary field of American studies through a rich array of materials, themes and approaches from many disciplines, including American literature, visual studies, popular culture, border studies, and ethnic studies, among others. The course examines key debates and social movements in American culture from a variety of these approaches in order to gain a deeper – and more inclusive – understanding of the richness and diversity of American experience. (Offered on an occasional basis)

AMST 250 Intermediate Topics in American Studies

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

AMST 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

AMST 350 Advanced Topics in American Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

AMST 450 Advanced Topics in American Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

AMST 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

AMST 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ART AND ART HISTORY

Chair: Jeffrey Fontana

Faculty: Mark Monroe, Mark Smith, Tim Tracz

Studio Manager: Joseph Allison

The program in art provides experiences in the practice and history of the visual arts, serving a major and minor in art, with possible specializations in art history and in the various media. The department provides the non-art

concentrator opportunities to think in non-linear ways, and to stretch problem solving skills in the search for multiple solutions. The program attempts to prepare students for careers as exhibiting artists or as professional art historians, for those to whom these are goals. Art coursework has application to skills and abilities necessary for related fields, such as commercial art, architecture, and arts management. Those skills and abilities are found to be very desirable in career fields seemingly remote from the fine arts.

The program in art history provides experiences in the analysis and interpretation of works of visual art within their historical contexts. The curriculum supports a minor in art history, a specialization in art history within the art major, and independent majors concentrating in art history. The program is presently limited to Western art. Through its points of contact with literature, history, philosophy, religion, economics, music, biology, political science, and physics, art history builds bridges between the visual arts and disciplines practiced in numerous departments across the Austin College campus. The critical skills students develop and practice through speaking and writing are transferable to other disciplines.

Degrees Offered in Art and Art History

Major in Art

Minor in Art

Minor in Art History

A **major in art** consists of:

Required Courses

_____ ART 113 Art Fundamentals

_____ ART 114 Drawing

Art History (3 courses)*

_____ ARTH course – 200 level or higher

_____ ARTH course – 200 level or higher

_____ ARTH course – 200 level or higher

Art and Art History Electives (4 courses)*

_____ ART or ARTH course – 200 level or higher

_____ ART or ARTH course – 200 level or higher

_____ ART or ARTH course – 200 level or higher

_____ ART or ARTH course – 200 level or higher

_____ *Three courses above must be at the 300 level or higher from ART or ARTH

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students who plan to attend graduate school in art or who intend to make art a career should take a maximum number of art courses, possibly on a special degree plan. Such students should consult with an Art and Art History Department advisor as early as possible.
- Students who wish to concentrate in art history may do so within the art major or with an individually designed special degree plan.
- The senior art major concentrating in studio art is required to present an exhibition of work during the semester preceding graduation.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A **minor in art** consists of:

Required Course

_____ ART 113 Art Fundamentals

Art History (1 course)*

_____ ARTH course

Art Electives (3 courses)*

_____ ART course

_____ ART course

_____ ART course

_____ *Two courses above must be at the 200 level or higher from ART or ARTH

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

Art majors and minors are encouraged to spend some part of their college career in a major art center either in this country or abroad. This can be accomplished through participation in a study abroad program, January term programs off-campus, individual projects off-campus, a summer abroad, or through other possibilities. We encourage art and art history majors and minors to arrange partial-credit NSOCs or directed studies in conjunction with off-campus studio and art history classes in order to optimize transfer of credit. Students should see the department chair for advice in this matter.

A fee for art supplies is assessed through the Business Office for many art courses.

ART HISTORY

A **minor in art history** consists of:

Art History Requirement (1 course)

_____ ARTH 231 Western Art: Ancient to Medieval

_____ ARTH 232 Western Art: Renaissance to Modern

Art Requirement (1 course)

_____ ART 113 Art Fundamentals

_____ ART 114 Drawing

Art History Electives (3 courses)

_____ any level ARTH course

_____ 300 level or higher ARTH course

_____ 300 level or higher ARTH course

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

The Art and Art History Department encourages the study of art history during an abroad experience, and upon pre-approval will accept toward the minor up to two courses taken at other institutions.

COURSES IN ART

ART 113 Art Fundamentals

Basic studio course in art, providing introductory experiences in design and art theory. Enrollment in this class is restricted to first- and second-year students, or by instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

ART 114 Drawing

Beginning work in drawing. Enrollment in this class is restricted to first- and second-year students, or by instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

ART 250 Topics in Art

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

ART 251 Painting

Basic studio practice with various subject matter, techniques, and approaches. PREQ: Art 113 or instructor permission, Art 114 preferred. (Each fall)

ART 252 Sculpture

Basic studio practice with various subject matter, techniques, and approaches. PREQ: Art 113. (Each fall or spring)

ART 255 Ceramics

Basic experience in the designing, shaping, firing, and glazing of ceramic ware. PREQ: Art 113 or 114. (Each fall or spring)

ART 256 Photography

Basic experience in photography as a medium of creative visual experience. PREQ: Art 113 or 114. (Each fall and/or spring)

ART 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ART 314 Advanced Drawing

Continuation of drawing with advanced projects and techniques. PREQ: Art 114. (As needed)

ART 351 Advanced Painting

A continuation of painting. PREQ: Art 251. (As needed)

ART 352 Advanced Sculpture

A continuation of sculpture. PREQ: Art 252. (As needed)

ART 355 Advanced Ceramics

Continuation of ceramics with advanced projects and techniques. PREQ: Art 255. (As needed)

ART 356 Advanced Photography

Continuation of photography with advanced projects and techniques. PREQ: Art 256. (As needed)

ART 357 Digital Imaging

Introduction to the computer as a tool in art making. PREQ: 2 studio art classes. (Each fall and/or spring)

ART 450 Advanced Topics in Art

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

ART 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ART 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular art course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

ART 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ART 491 Honors Thesis in Art

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ART 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ART 495 Senior Conference

A thesis or final project in art history, art education, or studio art. Fractional or full course credit unit. Offered for variable credit. (Each fall and spring)

COURSES IN ART HISTORY**ARTH 231 Western Art: Ancient to Medieval**

The history of western painting, sculpture, and architecture from prehistory to the late Gothic. (Each fall)

ARTH 232 Western Art: Renaissance to Modern

The history of western painting, sculpture, and architecture from the Italian Renaissance to Post-Modernism. (Each spring)

ARTH 250 Topics in Art History

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

ARTH 235 A History of the Art of Comic Books

This course examines the history, form, and theory of American comic-book art from its origins in the picture-stories of the 1840s to the graphic novels of the present. It explores the relationships between this “low” art form and “fine” art, popular culture, artistic training, political and social history, and technology. Primary attention will be given to examples of work by leading mainstream, underground, and alternative artists. (Every other year)

ARTH 343 Modern Art and Architecture

The history of European and American painting, sculpture, and architecture from the 19th century to about 2000. PREQ: Art History 231 or Art History 232. (Every other year)

ARTH 345 Italian Renaissance Painting and Sculpture

This course examines Italian painting and sculpture of the 15th and 16th centuries, after an initial look at the “proto-Renaissance” of the 14th century. Closest attention will be paid to the arts in Florence, Rome, and Venice. PREQ: Art History 231 or Art History 232. (Every other year)

ARTH 347 Baroque Painting and Sculpture

This course examines the development of Baroque painting and sculpture in Italy, Spain, France, Flanders, and Holland, in the context of the Counter Reformation, the monarchy of King Louis XIV and the burgeoning Dutch middle class. Particular attention will be paid to the Carracci, Caravaggio, Bernini, Poussin, Velazquez, Rubens, Rembrandt, and Vermeer. PREQ: Art History 231 or Art History 232. (Every other year)

ARTH 349 A History of Beauty in the Visual Arts

This course examines the ways we have sought to understand and define beauty in the visual arts, particularly in association with the body, and how these ways have changed from ancient Greece through the 20th century. PREQ: Art History 231 or Art History 232. (Every other year)

ARTH 450 Advanced Topics in Art History

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

ARTH 460 Advanced Directed Study in Art History

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ARTH 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular art history course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

ARTH 481 Seminar in Art History

Seminars dealing with selected topics in art history. May be repeated when topic varies.

ARTH 482 Internship in Art History (Variable course credit)

Placement in a museum or gallery (e.g., in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex or in New York City) in which the student works as an unpaid intern for up to 40 hours a week and completes additional academic work. PREQ: A range of courses in art and art history and instructor permission. May be repeated for up to two credits.

ARTH 490 Independent Study in Art History

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ARTH 491 Honors Thesis in Art History

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ARTH 492 Independent Study in Art History Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ASIAN STUDIES

Director: Scott Langton

The Asian studies program introduces students to different aspects of Asian societies and cultures through interdisciplinary study. Through examination of the many cultures of ancient and modern Asia from a variety of disciplinary perspectives, students develop an appreciation for diversity as well as a deeper awareness of themselves and western culture in the context of the larger world.

Degrees Offered in Asian Studies

Major in Asian Studies

Minor in Asian Studies

A major in Asian studies consists of:

Core Course Requirement (2 courses)

_____ ASST 250 Intermediate Topics in Asian Studies (topic varies, offered every fall)

_____ ASST 350 Advanced Topics in Asian Studies (topic varies, offered every spring)

Survey Requirement (2 courses; one course offered each semester)

_____ HIST 113 East Asian Civilizations

_____ REL 110 The Life and Teachings of the Buddha

_____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature

_____ EALC 252 Pre-Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

_____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
_____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

Elective at the 200 level or higher (2 courses; courses offered regularly)

_____ CHIN 202 Intermediate Chinese II
_____ JAPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II
_____ REL 220 Illness, Medicine, and Healing in Asian Religions
_____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese
_____ ART 250 Asian Ceramics
_____ PSCI 241 Chinese Politics
_____ PSCI 242 Comparative Asian Democracy
_____ ANTH 250 Asians in the Americas
_____ HIST 250 The Silk Road
_____ CHIN 250 Intermediate Topics in Chinese Culture
_____ JAPN 250 Intermediate Topics in Japanese Culture

Elective at the 300 level or higher (2 courses; courses offered regularly)

_____ JAPN 350 Advanced Topics in Japanese Culture
_____ REL 350 Exploring Buddhism
_____ CHIN 350 Advanced Topics in Chinese Culture
_____ COMM 455 Intercultural Communication
_____ JAPN453 Understanding Japanese Society through Pop Culture
_____ JAPN454 Studies in Japanese Prose
_____ JAPN455 Studies in Japanese Poetry

Intensive Experience - All Asian Studies majors must satisfy at least one of the following requirements:

_____ An Independent Study Off-Campus (NSOC) with an Asian focus.
_____ Study in an Asian country.
_____ A Career Study Off-Campus (CSOC) with an Asian focus.
_____ An independent research project or honors thesis in Asian Studies.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- As it is an interdisciplinary major, students must take courses from at least four disciplines
- It is recommended that students choose a focus when designing their major plan: e.g., regional (East Asia, South Asia), or thematic (religion, politics, literature, history, and society).
- Students majoring in Asian Studies also must demonstrate a competency in an Asian language by completing four semesters of study or its equivalent or testing at the equivalent level.
- It is also strongly advised that majors participate in a structured international experience in Asia (study abroad, internship, January term) before graduation.
- A minimum of three credits must come from full-credit courses taken at Austin College, and if the student takes fewer than four courses at Austin College for a major, only one course credit may come from a January term.
- This list of courses is not exhaustive, so helpful to consult with program faculty for course selection.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A minor in Asian studies consists of:

Core Course Requirement (1 course)

- _____ ASST 250 Intermediate Topics in Asian Studies (topic varies, offered every fall)
- _____ ASST 350 Advanced Topics in Asian Studies (topic varies, offered every spring)

Survey Requirement—Humanities (2 courses; at least one course offered)

- _____ HIST 113 East Asian Civilizations
- _____ REL 110 The Life and Teachings of the Buddha
- _____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 252 Pre-Modern Japanese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

Elective at the 200 level or higher (2 courses; courses offered regularly)

- _____ CHIN 202 Intermediate Chinese II
- _____ JAPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II
- _____ JAPN 236 Advanced Japanese
- _____ PSCI 241 Chinese Politics
- _____ PSCI 242 Comparative Asian Democracy
- _____ ANTH 250 Asians in the Americas
- _____ REL 220 Illness, Medicine, and Healing in Asian Religions
- _____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese
- _____ ART 250 Asian Ceramics
- _____ HIST 250 The Silk Road
- _____ CHIN 250 Intermediate Topics in Chinese Culture
- _____ JAPN 250 Intermediate Topics in Japanese Culture

Elective at the 300 level or higher (1 course; courses offered regularly)

- _____ JAPN 350 Advanced Topics in Japanese Culture
- _____ REL 350 Exploring Buddhism
- _____ CHIN 350 Advanced Topics in Chinese Culture
- _____ COMM 455 Intercultural Communication
- _____ JAPN453 Understanding Japanese Society through Pop Culture
- _____ JAPN454 Studies in Japanese Prose
- _____ JAPN455 Studies in Japanese Poetry

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- A minimum of two credits must come from full-credit courses taken at Austin College, and if a student takes fewer than three courses at Austin College, only one course credit may be earned during a January term.
- No more than two course credit units in language study will count toward the minor.
- As it is an interdisciplinary major, students must take courses from at least three disciplines
- This list of courses is not exhaustive, so consult with program faculty for more suggestions.
- It is recommended that students organize coursework in their Asian studies minor to stress a theme, such as Asian culture or social systems; or a geographical concentration, such as East Asia or South Asia.
- It also is recommended that students pursue a senior research project tying together their course experiences and interests.

Total Credits Requirement (6 courses)

Disciplinary courses approved for Asian Studies are listed in the course schedule each term using AS in the search features of WebHopper.

COURSES

ASST 250 Intermediate Topics in Asian Studies

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

ASST 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ASST 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Asian Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. PREQ: Asian Studies 250 or equivalent. 1 course credit.

ASST 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ASST 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ASST 491 Honors Thesis in Asian Studies

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See "Departmental Honors Program" for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ASST 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

BIOLOGY

Chair: Wayne Meyer

Faculty: David Aiello, Lance Barton, George Diggs, Steven Goldsmith, Jessica Healy, Keith Kisselle, Jack Pierce, Kelly Reed, Peter Schulze

Support Associate: Caleb Smith

Laboratory and Safety Coordinator: Kim Snipes

Emerita: Peggy Redshaw

The biology program provides a curriculum encompassing the study of the diversity and complexity of life with an emphasis on an interactive learning and research environment in which students and faculty explore new knowledge and current concepts. All students are involved in laboratory and field experiences that develop skills in formulating hypotheses, designing experiments or observational procedures, collecting data, analyzing results, and presenting conclusions in both oral and written form. Additionally, numerous opportunities exist for students to participate in original scientific research projects. Courses should be selected in consultation with an appropriate faculty advisor in the Biology Department. Students are encouraged to include within their course of study a variety of learning experiences including structured courses, research, internships, and summer and January term experiences.

Degrees Offered in Biology

Major in Biology

Major in Biology with a Concentration in Cell and Molecular

Minor in Biology

A **major in biology** consists of:

Required Core Courses: Students must earn a C- or better in both courses to continue as majors.

_____ BIOL 115

_____ BIOL 116 (PREQ: BIOL 115 and CHEM 111)

Breadth Distribution: Take at least one course from each of the following three breadth categories.

1. Ecological and Evolutionary Biology

_____ BIOL 220 Vertebrate Biology

_____ BIOL 326 Animal Behavior

_____ BIOL 332 Evolutionary Biology

_____ BIOL 336 Plant Biology

_____ BIOL 346 Ecosystem Ecology

_____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

2. Molecular and Cellular Biology

_____ BIOL 228 Genetics

_____ BIOL 230 Microbiology

- _____ BIOL 248 Cellular Physiology
- _____ BIOL 340 Immunology
- _____ BIOL 344 Molecular Biology of Gene Expression
- _____ BIOL 345 Genomics
- _____ BIOL 354 Human Infectious Diseases
- _____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

3. Physiological and Organismal Biology

- _____ BIOL 234 Anatomy and Physiology
- _____ BIOL 322 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy
- _____ BIOL 324 Developmental Biology
- _____ BIOL 352 Systemic Physiology
- _____ BIOL 358 Ornithology
- _____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

Electives

- _____ Major elective
- _____ Major elective
- _____ Major elective
- _____ Major elective
- _____ Four (4) courses listed above must be at the 300 level or above.

Supporting Requirements for the Major

- _____ CHEM 112
- _____ Statistics course (one of the following: MATH 120, PSCI 120, PSY 120, or SS 120)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Chemistry 351 or Environmental Studies 235 may count as one of the 9 biology courses.
- Only two combined course credits of Biology 260, 460, 464, 472, 491, or 492 may count toward 9 biology courses.
- Biology 240 credits will not count toward the major.
- All biology courses applied to major must be taken for a letter grade, except for courses offered S/D/U only or directed and independent studies taken S/D/U at the instructor's discretion.
- Chemistry 112 and a statistics course (MATH 120, PSCI 120, PSY 120, or SS 120) are required supporting courses for the major.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A major in **biology with a concentration in cell and molecular** biology consists of:

Required Core Courses: Students must earn a C- or better in both courses to continue as majors.

- _____ BIOL 115
- _____ BIOL 116 (PREQ: BIOL 115 and CHEM 111)

Molecular and Cellular Breadth Concentration: Take five courses from among the following courses with no more than two courses at the 200 level.

- _____ BIOL 228 Genetics
- _____ BIOL 230 Microbiology
- _____ BIOL 248 Cellular Physiology
- _____ BIOL 340 Immunology
- _____ BIOL 344 Molecular Biology of Gene Expression
- _____ BIOL 345 Genomics
- _____ BIOL 354 Human Infectious Diseases
- _____ Approved topics courses

Breadth Distribution: Take one course from each of the following breadth categories.

1. Ecological and Evolutionary Biology

- _____ BIOL 220 Vertebrate Biology
- _____ BIOL 326 Animal Behavior
- _____ BIOL 332 Evolutionary Biology
- _____ BIOL 336 Plant Biology
- _____ BIOL 346 Ecosystem Ecology
- _____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

2. Physiological and Organismal Biology

- _____ BIOL 234 Anatomy and Physiology
- _____ BIOL 322 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy
- _____ BIOL 324 Developmental Biology
- _____ BIOL 352 Systemic Physiology
- _____ BIOL 358 Ornithology
- _____ Approved topics courses (see mentor and Department Advisor for approval)
- _____ Four (4) courses listed above must be taken at the 300 level or above.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

Supporting Requirements for the Major

- _____ CHEM 351
- _____ Statistics course (one of the following MATH 120, PSCI 120, PSY 120, or SS 120)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- One combined course credit of Biology 260, 460, 464, 472, 491, or 492 may substitute for one of the Molecular/Cellular courses provided the research contains a cellular/molecular focus. Biology 240 credits will not count toward the major.
- All biology courses applied to major must be taken for a letter grade, except for courses offered S/D/U only or directed and independent studies taken S/D/U at the instructor's discretion.
- Chemistry 351 and a statistics course (Mathematics 120, Political Science 120, Psychology 120, or Social Sciences 120) are required supporting courses for the major.

A **minor in biology** consists of:

Required Core Courses: Students must earn a C- in both courses to continue as minors.

_____ BIOL 115

_____ BIOL 116 (PREQ: BIOL 115 and CHEM 111)

Breadth Distribution: Take one course from each of the following three breadth categories.

1. Ecological and Evolutionary Biology

_____ BIOL 220 Vertebrate Biology

_____ BIOL 326 Animal Behavior

_____ BIOL 332 Evolutionary Biology

_____ BIOL 336 Plant Biology

_____ BIOL 346 Ecosystem Ecology

_____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

2. Molecular and Cellular Biology

_____ BIOL 228 Genetics

_____ BIOL 230 Microbiology

_____ BIOL 248 Cellular Physiology

_____ BIOL 340 Immunology

_____ BIOL 344 Molecular Biology of Gene Expression

_____ BIOL 345 Genomics

_____ BIOL 354 Human Infectious Diseases

_____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

3. Physiological and Organismal Biology

_____ BIOL 234 Anatomy and Physiology

_____ BIOL 322 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy

_____ BIOL 324 Developmental Biology

_____ BIOL 352 Systemic Physiology

_____ BIOL 358 Ornithology

_____ Approved topics courses (see Mentor and Department Advisor for approval)

_____ One (1) course must be at the 300 level or higher.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- All biology courses applied to minor must be taken for a letter grade.

Total Credits Requirements (5 courses)

COURSES

BIOL 101 Contemporary Topics in Biology

Introductory courses intended for the general audience that do not count as prerequisites for other courses in biology or satisfy requirements for the major in biology. These courses introduce students to the process and product of scientific inquiry, and to ways that knowledge of biology affects our lives. Title and emphasis announced in term schedule of courses. Past topics have included human genetics, emerging and re-emerging diseases, and biology for citizens. These courses include a laboratory component. May be repeated when topic varies. (Usually each year)

BIOL 102 Advanced Placement Biology

Students earning a 4 or 5 on the Advanced Placement Biology exam or a 5, 6, or 7 on the Higher-Level International Baccalaureate Exam will receive credit for this course. This course is counted as a transfer credit toward satisfaction of the non-lab science breadth.

BIOL 115 Evolution, Behavior, and Ecology

An introduction to evolution, behavior, and ecology. Topics include the mechanisms and results of evolution; speciation processes; population, community, and ecosystem ecology; fundamentals of animal behavior; and behavioral ecology. (Each fall)

BIOL 116 Introductory Cell Biology

This course focuses on a detailed analysis of structure and function of macromolecules characteristic of various cell types, and on information transfer in living systems at the molecular level. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Biology 115 and Chemistry 111 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

BIOL 220 Vertebrate Biology

Examines selected aspects of the biology of the vertebrate animals. Topics include morphology, ecology, behavior, systematics, fossil history, and phylogenetic relationships. The laboratory emphasizes qualitative and quantitative field studies of local vertebrates. Includes one three-hour lab per week. This course is intended for Sophomores and Juniors. PREQ: Biology 115 and Biology 116 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

BIOL 228 Genetics

An introduction to the principles of transmission and molecular genetics. Topics include Mendelian and non-Mendelian inheritance patterns, the biochemistry and maintenance of the genetic material, and the mechanisms of gene expression and regulation. Laboratory activities will focus on understanding both classical and modern approaches used in the study of genes and their interaction in the context of students participating in an authentic research experience. Includes one three-hour lab per week. This course is intended for Sophomores and Juniors. PREQ: Biology 115 and Biology 116 or instructor permission. (Each fall)

BIOL 230 Microbiology

An exploration of structures and functions of microbes. Topics include microbial metabolism, growth of bacteria, microbial genetics, and an introduction to pathogenic microorganisms and host defense mechanisms. Includes one three-hour lab per week. This course is intended for Sophomores and Juniors. PREQ: Biology 116 and Chemistry 112, or instructor permission. (Each spring and occasionally in the fall)

BIOL 234 Anatomy and Physiology

An introduction to the study of vertebrate anatomy and physiology. This course explores various systems of the human body with an appropriate balance and integration between the two disciplines. Includes one three-hour

lab per week. This course is intended for Sophomores and Juniors. PREQ: Biology 116 or instructor permission. (Each fall)

BIOL 240 Research experience

Participation in biological research. Students are invited to work with faculty on some component of their research program. Students' responsibilities are established through a learning contract. Students will learn organizational skills, laboratory techniques, data acquisition and analysis skills, and will develop confidence in the laboratory or field. Grading is S/D/U only; may be repeated when topic varies. This course does not count toward the major or minor but serves as an introduction to research and is usually a prerequisite to more advanced research experiences. Variable course credit unit. PREQ: Instructor permission. COREQ: Biology 480.

BIOL 248 Cellular Physiology

An introduction to the structure and function of eukaryotic cells, with emphasis on cellular responses to the environment, and regulation of cellular physiology through gene expression or protein modification. The course will continue the exploration of topics introduced in Biology 116. Laboratory activities will focus on understanding the complexities of cellular physiology in the context of introducing an authentic research experience. Includes one three-hour lab per week. This course is intended for Sophomores and Juniors. PREQ: Biology 116 and Chemistry 112, or instructor permission. (Each spring and occasionally in the fall)

BIOL 250 Intermediate Topics in Biology

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit. PREQ: Biology 115 and Biology 116 or instructor permission.

BIOL 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Intended for novice students to develop and execute a project under close supervision of a faculty member. Project goals and approach must be approved by the department before the end of the sixth week of the term. Students will present the results of their project as part of the Biology Department Seminar series. Course credit varies from 1/4-1.00. PREQ: instructor permission.

BIOL 322 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy

A study of the structure and adaptations of vertebrates. Evolution of vertebrate systems is emphasized in lecture. The laboratory includes a detailed study of the shark and cat. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Biology 234 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

BIOL 324 Developmental Biology

A study of the embryonic development of animals with an emphasis on vertebrates. The course integrates descriptive observations with experimental studies in order to better understand the underlying mechanisms of development. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher biology course or instructor permission. (Each fall)

BIOL 326 Animal Behavior

A study of the ecology and evolution of behavior. Topics include behavior genetics, biological rhythms, migration, predator-prey interactions, communication, reproductive behavior, sexual selection, and sociality. Field investigations and current research in animal behavior are emphasized. Laboratory investigations require statistical analysis and interpretation of quantitative data. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher biology course or instructor permission (Each fall)

BIOL 332 Evolutionary Biology

A study of concepts and mechanisms of evolution. Topics include natural selection, co-evolution, molecular evolution, systematics, and extinction. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher biology course or instructor permission (Usually each spring)

BIOL 336 Plant Biology

A study of the origin and diversity of flowering plants. Lectures emphasize taxonomy and systematics, plant-animal co-evolution, ecology, and plant physiology. The laboratory focuses on field studies of plants in their native habitats. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher Biology course or instructor permission (Each fall)

BIOL 340 Immunology

An in-depth examination of the fundamental mechanisms by which the immune system protects vertebrates from disease. Topics include immune physiology, immunogenetics, and host-microbial interactions. Emphasis is on molecular and cellular processes critical to the development and proper function of immunity as well as applications of immunological techniques in research and clinical settings. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: One of Biology 228, Biology 230, Biology 234, or Biology 248 or instructor permission. (Fall of odd-numbered years)

BIOL 344 Molecular Biology of Gene Expression

An in-depth examination of the current understanding of how prokaryotes and eukaryotes regulate gene expression. Topics include basal transcription mechanisms, regulation of gene expression, RNA splicing and stability, organellar gene expression, translation and its regulation, and epigenetics. Emphasis is on laboratory techniques, experimental design and interpretation of data, and extensive analysis of the primary literature. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: One of Biology 228, Biology 230, Biology 248, or Chemistry 351 or instructor permission; Chemistry 222 recommended. (Spring of odd-numbered years)

BIOL 345 Genomics

Explores current technological advances in genome research and how these advances are impacting science and society. Emphasis is on methods for analyzing large genomic data sets and their application to biological problems, including sequence alignment and search methods, gene prediction, phylogenetic trees, and genome annotation. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: One of Biology 228, Biology 230, Biology 248, or Chemistry 351 or instructor permission. (Each fall)

BIOL 346 Ecosystem Ecology

Examines the flow of energy and the cycling of nutrients and water in ecosystems. Lecture topics include earth's climate and the distribution of ecosystems, geology and soils, photosynthesis and decomposition, and global biogeochemical cycles. Semester-long field measurements and lab analyses of environmental samples (e.g. soil, water) are used to quantify ecological processes. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher biology course and Chemistry 111, or instructor permission. (Each spring)

BIOL 350 Advanced Topics in Biology

A specialized course on a topic in a particular field of biology. Includes one three-hour lab per week. May be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher biology course or instructor permission.

BIOL 352 Systemic Physiology

A study of homeostatic structure and function at the organ and system levels, using human and laboratory

animal models. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Biology 234 and Chemistry 112, or Instructor permission; Physics 106 strongly recommended. (Spring of even-numbered years)

BIOL 354 Human Infectious Diseases

An exploration of bacterial and viral pathogens responsible for human diseases. This course integrates a variety of disciplines such as immunology, cell biology, microbiology, molecular biology, and biochemistry to examine the mechanisms used by pathogens to cause disease. The laboratory introduces students to techniques currently in use in clinical laboratories to isolate and identify pathogenic organisms and in experimental laboratories to study pathogenic mechanisms. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: One of Biology 228, Biology 230, Biology 234, or Biology 248 or instructor permission. (Occasionally fall)

BIOL 358 Ornithology

A study of the biology of birds. Topics include anatomy, physiology, behavior, ecology, migration, evolution, taxonomy, and identification. Coursework includes both laboratory and field investigations and emphasizes local species and habitats. Students will perform independent research projects outside of class. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Completion of a 200 level or higher Biology course; Biology 234 recommended. (Spring of odd-numbered years)

BIOL 450 Advanced Topics in Biology

An advanced course that focuses on a particular field of biology. Includes one three-hour lab per week. instructor permission required. May be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

BIOL 460 Advanced Directed Study

Intended for advanced students to develop and execute a project under close supervision of a faculty member. Project goals and approach must be approved by the department before the end of the 6th week of the term. Students will present the results of their project as part of the Biology Department Seminar series. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00. PREQ: instructor permission. COREQ: Biology 480.

BIOL 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular biology course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

BIOL 472 Research and Design of Experiments

Provides formal training in the approaches used to advance understanding of biological processes. Course activities are built around original research projects designed and completed by students. Lectures, discussions, and readings provide students with the skills necessary for designing original research, performing experiments, analyzing data, and reporting results. PREQ: instructor permission. (Usually each year)

BIOL 480 Research Discussion

This course provides students engaged in collaborative research with faculty an opportunity to read, critically evaluate, and discuss the current scientific literature. Students enroll in this course each semester they are enrolled in research. The course meeting time is arranged by each individual faculty member. COREQ: Biology 240 or Biology 260 or Biology 460 or Biology 490 or Biology 491. Zero course credit units. (Every semester)

BIOL 490 Independent Study

Intended for advanced senior students to develop and execute a research project with the input and guidance of a faculty mentor. Project goals and approach must be approved by the department before the end of the 6th week of the term. Students will complete a full written assessment of their project and will present the results of

their project as part of the Biology Department Seminar series. PREQ: instructor permission. COREQ: Biology 480.

BIOL 491 Honors Thesis in Biology

Intended for advanced senior students to execute a research thesis under the guidance of a faculty mentor, following an invitation by the department. Project goals and approach must be approved by the department before the start of the term. Students will complete a full written assessment of their project and will present the results of their project as part of the Biology Department Seminar series. Prerequisite: instructor permission. COREQ: Biology 480.

BIOL 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

CHEMISTRY

Chair: Bradley Smucker

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Chemistry is the study of matter from the macroscopic to the molecular to the atomic and is important to intellectual debates and technological advances in many areas. The Austin College Chemistry Department serves a wide variety of students from chemistry and biochemistry majors interested in advanced study to students needing the foundation of chemistry courses for other areas of study to non-science majors who are taking courses to obtain a broad liberal arts education. Undergraduate research is vital to the education of chemistry majors and provides students with opportunities to integrate and reinforce chemistry knowledge from their formal course work, develop their scientific and professional skills, and create new scientific knowledge. Finally, the Austin College Chemistry Department is approved by the American Chemical Society, which requires that departments have an energetic and accomplished faculty, a modern and well-maintained infrastructure, and a coherent chemistry curriculum that incorporates modern pedagogical approaches.

The Chemistry Department program has been recognized by the American Chemical Society as meeting national standards for the training of chemists.

Degrees Offered in Chemistry

Major in Chemistry

Major in Biochemistry

Minor in Chemistry

A major in chemistry consists of:

Introduction Courses (2 courses)

_____ CHEM 111 or 211**
_____ CHEM 112

Foundation Courses (5 courses)

_____ CHEM 221
_____ CHEM 222
_____ CHEM 332
_____ CHEM 341
_____ CHEM 342

Advanced Chemistry Courses (1 course)

_____ CHEM 400 Level**

Inorganic Chemistry Course (Requirement can be met in Introductory or Advanced Chemistry courses)**

_____ CHEM 211
_____ CHEM 412

Elective Course (1 Course)

_____ CHEM 200 level or higher

Research Requirement - A chemistry activity beyond the required coursework which includes: directed research on or off-campus, an internship in an industrial setting or methods-development laboratory, or employment in an industrial laboratory.

_____ CHEM 480 (zero-credit hour course but requirement to complete the chemistry degree)

Supporting Requirements for the Major

_____ PHY 106 or 112*
_____ MATH 152 or 252*
_____ BIOL 116

*The recommended courses

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students majoring in chemistry must take all their major courses for a letter grade.
- Prerequisite chemistry and biology courses must be passed with grades of at least a grade of C- or better.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

An ACS certified degree comprises a rigorous series of courses that stresses both breadth and depth of knowledge in chemistry above the normal major. Students seeking this degree should consult with a chemistry faculty member early in their freshman year. The courses required for an ACS certified degree are Chemistry 111 (or equivalent), 112 (or equivalent), 211, 221, 222, 332, 341, 342, 351, 480, two electives from Chemistry 352, 412, 421, or 460, plus a total of one full credit of research (130 hours). To receive a certified degree,

students are required to complete Mathematics 152, Biology 116, and Physics 106 or 112. Mathematics 252 is recommended.

A **major in biochemistry** consists of:

Introduction Courses (2 courses)

_____ CHEM 111 or 211

_____ CHEM 112

Foundation Courses (4 courses)

_____ CHEM 221

_____ CHEM 222

_____ CHEM 351

_____ CHEM 352

Elective Chemistry Courses (2 courses)

_____ CHEM 332

_____ CHEM 341

_____ CHEM 342

_____ CHEM 412

_____ CHEM 421

Elective Biology Courses (2 courses)

_____ BIOL 228

_____ BIOL 230

_____ BIOL 248

_____ BIOL 344

_____ BIOL345

Research Requirement - A chemistry activity beyond the required coursework that includes: directed research on or off-campus, an internship in an industrial setting or methods-development laboratory, or employment in an industrial laboratory.

_____ CHEM 480 (zero-credit hour course but requirement to complete the chemistry degree)

Supporting Requirements for the Major

_____ PHY 106 or 112*

_____ MATH 152

_____ BIOL 116

*The recommended course

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students majoring in chemistry must take all their major courses for a letter grade.
- Prerequisite chemistry and biology courses must be passed with grades of at least a grade of C- or better.

Total Credits Requirement (10 courses)

A **minor in chemistry** consists of:

Introduction Courses (1 course)

_____ CHEM 112

Foundation Courses (select 2 courses)

_____ CHEM 211

_____ CHEM 221

_____ CHEM 222

Advanced Courses (select 2 courses from 2 different columns) One must have a lab (L)

| Analytical | Biochemistry | Inorganic | Organic | Physical |
|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| __CHEM 332(L) | __CHEM 351(L) __CHEM 352(L) | __CHEM 412(L) | __CHEM 421 | __CHEM 341 __CHEM 342(L) |

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Prerequisite chemistry and biology courses must be passed with grades of at least a grade of C- or better.
- Students are strongly encouraged to take all their minor courses for a letter grade.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

Students with a strong high school chemistry background or with AP/IB credit for Chemistry 111 are advised to start in Chemistry 211 in the fall of their freshman year. Students with credit for Chemistry 112 may start in Chemistry 221, but should consult a chemistry faculty member.

COURSES

CHEM 101 Chemistry for Non-Science Majors

Introductory courses intended for the general student, not normally counted as prerequisite for other chemistry courses or satisfy requirements for chemistry majors. These courses introduce students to chemical principles and chemical practice in the laboratory. Title and emphasis announced in term schedule of courses. Past topics have included: chemistry and the environment, chemistry and nutrition, chemistry and art, drugs and our society, energy and fuel, and forensic chemistry. (Each fall or spring)

CHEM 111 General Chemistry I

Basic concepts, principles, and practices of chemistry, typically including: mass and energy relations in chemical reactions, electronic structure and chemical bonding, the periodic table, and solids, liquids and solutions. Includes one three-hour lab per week. (Each fall)

CHEM 112 General Chemistry II

Quantitative aspects of elementary chemical thermodynamics, the rates of chemical reactions, and of systems in equilibrium, typically including acid-base chemistry, oxidation-reduction reactions, and electrochemistry. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 111 or Chemistry 211. (Each spring)

CHEM 211 Inorganic Chemistry

An overview of the fundamentals of inorganic chemistry. The course covers such topics as atomic properties,

molecular bonding, materials, descriptive chemistry of the elements, acid-base chemistry, coordination chemistry, organometallic chemistry, and bioinorganic chemistry. Includes one three-hour lab per week.

CHEM 221 Organic Chemistry I

Fundamental concepts of organic chemistry utilizing laboratory, lecture, and peer group discussions. Covers general types of mechanisms, stereochemistry, infrared spectroscopy, and reaction energetics. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 112. (Each fall)

CHEM 222 Organic Chemistry II

Application of general principles of organic chemistry to problems of organic synthesis and structure determination. Includes topics of aromatic substitution reactions, carbonyl and active methylene chemistry, and nuclear magnetic resonance. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 221. (Each spring)

CHEM 240 Research (Variable course credit)

Introduction to chemical research under the direction of a faculty member. Departmental approval of project must be granted before the end of the pre-registration term. A formal written report will be a part of standard requirements within Chemistry 240. May be repeated when topic varies. (Each fall and spring)

CHEM 250 Intermediate Topics in Chemistry

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

CHEM 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CHEM 332 Analytical Chemistry

Principles and applications of wet and instrumental methods for chemical analysis. Design of chemical analyses. Statistics and regression for treating chemical data. Laboratory experiments to develop excellent lab techniques and skill in using instrumentation. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 221. (Each spring)

CHEM 341 Thermodynamics and Kinetics

Physical properties of chemical systems with emphasis on equilibrium (thermodynamics) and rates (kinetics). PREQ: Chemistry 221, Math 152, and either Physics 106 or Physics 112. (Each fall)

CHEM 342 Quantum and Statistical Mechanics

An introduction to quantum and statistical mechanics and their applications to chemistry including atomic structure, bonding theory, molecular spectroscopy, and the microscopic basis for thermodynamics. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 341, Math 152, and either Physics 106 or Physics 112. (Each spring)

CHEM 351 Introduction to Biochemistry

The structures and general reactions of carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 222 and Biology 116. (Each fall)

CHEM 352 Biochemical Metabolism

The enzymatic anabolism and catabolism of the groups of substances studied in Chemistry 351. PREQ: Chemistry 351. Includes one three-hour lab per week. (Each spring)

CHEM 412 Advanced Inorganic Chemistry

A thorough study of inorganic chemistry. Topics include atomic properties, modern bonding theories, molecular symmetry and spectra, descriptive chemistry of the elements, acid-base chemistry, coordination and organometallic chemistry, environmental and bioinorganic chemistry, and solid state chemistry. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Chemistry 342, Chemistry 211, or instructor permission. (Each spring)

CHEM 421 Advanced Organic Chemistry

Advanced theory and current topics in organic chemistry. Emphasis on theoretical and empirical generalizations (including spectroscopy) most applicable to organic reaction mechanisms and synthesis. PREQ: Chemistry 222. (Each fall)

CHEM 450 Advanced Topics in Chemistry

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

CHEM 460 Advanced Directed Study)

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CHEM 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular chemistry course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See "On Campus Learning Opportunities." (Offered as needed)

CHEM 480 Experience in Chemistry

All chemistry and biochemistry majors must participate in a chemistry activity beyond the required coursework to obtain a degree in chemistry. Activities such as directed research on or off-campus, an internship in an industrial setting or methods-development laboratory, or employment in an industrial laboratory will satisfy this requirement. Chemistry majors should register for Chemistry 480 during the semester that they will give their public presentation. Zero course credit units.

CHEM 490 Independent Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CHEM 491 Honors Thesis in Chemistry

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

CHEM 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

CLASSICAL AND MODERN LANGUAGES

Chair: Julie Hempel

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Adjunct Faculty: Jesús Carrasco, DeDe Hosek, Ida Hudgins

Emeritus: James Johnson, Cynthia Manley

Because of the highly sequential curricula and variety of offerings, potential majors and minors in classics or in a modern language should consult early with the appropriate faculty. In addition to standard course-work, students are encouraged to take advantage of the language houses, language tables in the college dining hall, and study abroad opportunities.

Degree Programs Offered in Classics and Modern Languages

Major in Classics

Minor in Classics

Major in Latin

Major in Classical Civilization

Major in East Asian Language and Culture with a concentration in Chinese

Major in East Asian Language and Culture with a concentration in Japanese

Major in East Asian Language and Culture with a concentration in Comparative East Asian Cultures

Minor in East Asian Language and Culture with a concentration in Chinese

Minor in East Asian Language and Culture with a concentration in Japanese

Major in French

Minor in French

Major in German

Minor in German

Major in Spanish

Minor in Spanish

CLASSICS

The mission of the classics program is to provide students with the essential skills and knowledge needed to explore and appreciate the languages, literatures, and cultures of ancient Greece and Rome, the roles Greek and Roman cultures played in the development of Western civilization, and the perspective they offer to contemporary problems and issues.

Classics is a multidisciplinary course of study embracing all aspects of the ancient Greek and Roman civilizations: languages and linguistics, literature, mythology, history, philosophy, religion, science, art, and archaeology. Through its courses in Greek and Latin languages and literatures and through its offerings in classical civilization, the classics program meets a cultural need for every liberal arts student and specific needs for pre-professional students, particularly in the areas of law, health sciences, and theology.

The major in classics helps prepare the student for graduate study in classics, although its flexible design makes it an excellent liberal arts major for any student with a strong interest in classical studies. The major in Latin is designed to help prepare the student for teaching Latin in the schools. The major in classical civilization is offered for the student with a serious interest in the ancient world, but who does not wish to focus on the languages or do graduate study in the field. The minor in classics is for the student who has a strong interest in classical studies, but who has selected another major field of study.

A **major in classics** consists of:

Required Courses

- _____ GRK 101 Beginning Greek
- _____ GRK 102 Beginning Greek

Major Courses

- _____ 200 level or higher GRK or LATN course
- _____ 200 level or higher GRK or LATN course
- _____ 200 level or higher GRK or LATN course
- _____ 300 level or higher GRK or LATN course*
- _____ 300 level or higher GRK or LATN course*
- _____ 300 level or higher GRK or LATN course or Civilization course*

*Except GRK or LATN 491.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A **minor in classics** consists of:

Foundational Course (1 course)

- _____ GRK, LATN. or Classical Civilization course 200 level or higher

Greek or Latin Courses (2 courses)

- _____ Greek or Latin course
- _____ Greek or Latin course

Classical Civilization Courses (2 courses)

- _____ Classical Civilization course
- _____ Classical Civilization course
- _____ Three courses 300 level or higher from the courses above, except GRK or LATN 491.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Meet with Classic Faculty to select the approved courses.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

A **major in Latin** consists of:

- _____ LATN course – can be LATN 102 or lower
- _____ LATN course – must be LATN 201 or above
- _____ LATN course – must be LATN 201 or above
- _____ LATN course – must be LATN 201 or above

- _____ LATN 236: Advanced Latin Grammar and Composition (1 credit)
- _____ LATN course 300 level or higher* (1 credit)
- _____ LATN course 300 level or higher* (1 credit)
- _____ LATN course 300 level or higher* (1 credit)

* Except for LATN 491

- _____ CLAS 102 or 302 Roman History and Civilization

Total Credits Requirement (8.5 courses)

A **major in classical civilization** consists of:

Required Courses (2 courses)

- _____ GRK 102 or LATN 102
- _____ GRK 201 or LATN 201

Classic Civilization Major Courses – a blend of Greek and Roman topics (6 courses)

- _____ Classical Literature & Civilization course 200 level or higher (Classic Civ, GRK, LAT)
- _____ Classical Literature & Civilization course 200 level or higher (Classic Civ, GRK, LAT)
- _____ Classical Literature & Civilization course 200 level or higher (Classic Civ, GRK, LAT)
- _____ Classical Literature & Civilization course 300 level or higher (Classic Civ, GRK, LAT)
- _____ Classical Literature & Civilization course 300 level or higher (Classic Civ, GRK, LAT)
- _____ Classical Literature & Civilization course 300 level or higher (Classic Civ, GRK, LAT)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Two courses can be from closely related disciplines such as Philosophy and Art.
- Seek program faculty approval for all courses not specified.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

Latin Placement

Those students who have taken Latin in high school will begin their college study at a level appropriate to their proficiency. Student placement will be based on the Latin placement test given in the fall. A student who scores placement into Latin 202 or higher will have satisfied the Austin College language competency requirement.

A student who is placed by Austin College into Latin 202 or higher as the first college-level course in Latin and completes this with a satisfactory grade (S, C, or above) also will receive one additional credit. This additional, elective credit may not count toward the minor or the major. Alternatively, a student may receive credit for one Latin course at the intermediate level and satisfy the language competency requirement by a successful score on the Latin Advanced Placement Examination administered by the College Board. The student, however, may not receive both the Advanced Placement Examination credit and Austin College placement credit.

EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES

The mission of the East Asian languages and cultures program is to provide students with the fundamental skills and knowledge needed to study and appreciate the languages, literatures, and cultures of China and Japan, the symbiotic nature of these cultures’ interactions through history, their mutual influence on the development of

greater East Asian civilization, and the significance of traditional Chinese and Japanese culture in understanding the contemporary achievements and tensions within the region.

A major in EALC with a concentration in Chinese consists of:

Language Requirement (2 courses)

_____ CHIN 202 Intermediate Chinese II (offered every spring)

_____ CHIN 350 Advanced Topics in Chinese

Survey Requirement (1 course; offered in the fall in rotation)

_____ EALC 251 Pre-modern Chinese Culture/Literature

_____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature

Japanese Culture/Literature Requirement (1 course; at least one course available each semester)

_____ EALC 252 Pre-modern Japanese Culture/Literature

_____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

_____ JAPN 250 Topics in Japanese Culture

Chinese Electives – 300-level or higher (2 courses)

_____ CHIN 350 Advanced Topics in Chinese Literature/Culture (offered most spring semesters)

_____ CHIN 340 Advanced Classical Chinese (offered some spring semesters)

_____ CHIN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation (open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors by invitation)

Any level Chinese Elective (1 course; one course from this list or CHIN courses listed above)

_____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese (offered some spring semesters)

_____ CHIN 226 Chinese House (offered every semester)

_____ East Asia-related Jan term credit

Japanese Culture/Literature course OR an approved course on China or East Asia from another department (1 course)*

_____ EALC 252 Pre-modern Japanese Culture/Literature

_____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

_____ JAPN 250 Topics in Japanese Culture

_____ HIST 113 East Asian Civilization

_____ HIST 250 The Silk Road

_____ PSCI 241 Chinese Politics

_____ PSCI 242 Comparative Asian Democracy

_____ REL 110 The Life and Teachings of the Buddha

_____ REL 220 Illness, Medicine, and Healing in Asian Religions

* Not an exhaustive list; other courses may be approved by program faculty

Senior Seminar Requirement (1 course; offered each spring beginning 2016)

_____ EALC 495 Senior Seminar

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students interested in majoring or minoring in EALC who have native-level language abilities in either Mandarin or Japanese, or who test beyond course 202 in either language, may substitute language

requirements with approved electives, but are highly encouraged to instead take the East Asian language in which they are not proficient.

- Students wishing to fulfill major or minor requirements with coursework completed abroad need to consult with program faculty *before* enrolling in courses unless circumstances with the study abroad program make this consultation impossible. Students may be asked to submit course descriptions, syllabi, and/or completed assignments before courses completed abroad are approved for the major or minor. At least one of the 300-level courses required for the major must be taken at Austin College upon the student's return, and under no circumstances may majors substitute EALC 495.
- With the approval of program faculty, students may count a maximum of one credit from the following toward the completion of the major or minor: a) an East Asia-related Jan term credit, b) Chinese or Japanese language house, or c) conversation courses.
- Unspecified courses should be selected in consultation with program faculty.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A major in EALC with a concentration in Japanese consists of:

Language Requirement (2 courses)

- _____ JAPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II (offered every spring)
- _____ JAPN 236 Advanced Japanese (offered every fall)

Survey Requirement (1 course; generally offered in rotation in the spring)

- _____ EALC 252 Pre-modern Japanese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

Chinese Culture/Literature Requirement (1 course; at least one course is generally offered each semester)

- _____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ CHIN 250 Topics in Chinese Culture
- _____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese

Japanese Electives – 300 level or higher (2 courses)

- _____ JAPN 350 Advanced Topics in Japanese Literature/Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ JAPN 453 Understanding Japanese Society through Pop Culture (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 454 Studies in Japanese Prose (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 455 Studies in Japanese Poetry (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation (open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors by invitation)

Any level Japanese Elective (1 course; one course from this list or any JAPN course listed above)

- _____ JAPN 226 Japanese House (offered every semester)
- _____ East Asia-related Jan term credit

Chinese Culture/Literature course OR an approved course on Japan or East Asia from another department (1 course)*

- _____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ CHIN 250 Topics in Chinese Culture
- _____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese

____ HIST 113 East Asian Civilization
____ HIST 250 The Silk Road
____ PSCI 241 Chinese Politics
____ PSCI 242 Comparative Asian Democracy
____ REL 110 The Life and Teachings of the Buddha
____ REL 220 Illness, Medicine, and Healing in Asian Religions

* Not an exhaustive list; other courses may be approved by program faculty

Senior Seminar Requirement (1 course)

____ EALC 495 Senior Seminar (offered each spring beginning 2016)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students interested in majoring or minoring in EALC who have native-level language abilities in either Mandarin or Japanese, or who test beyond course 202 in either language, may substitute language requirements with approved electives, but are highly encouraged to instead take the East Asian language in which they are not proficient.
- Unspecified courses should be selected in consultation with program faculty.
- Students wishing to fulfill major or minor requirements with coursework completed abroad need to consult with program faculty *before* enrolling in courses unless circumstances with the study abroad program make this consultation impossible. Students may be asked to submit course descriptions, syllabi, and/or completed assignments before courses completed abroad are approved for the major or minor.
- At least one of the 300 level courses required for the major must be taken at Austin College upon the student's return, and under no circumstances may majors substitute EALC 495.
- With the approval of program faculty, students may count a maximum of one credit from the following toward the completion of the major or minor: a) an East Asia-related Jan term credit, b) Chinese or Japanese language house, or c) conversation courses.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A major in EALC with a concentration in comparative East Asian cultures consists of:

Language Requirement (4 courses)

____ CHIN or JAPN 202 Intermediate Chinese/Japanese II (offered each spring)
____ CHIN or JAPN 236 Advanced Chinese/Japanese (offered each fall)
____ Other East Asian Language 201 (offered each fall)
____ Other East Asian Language 202 (offered each spring)

Chinese Culture Requirement (1 course; courses general available every semester)

____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
____ CHIN 250 Topics in Chinese Culture
____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese

Japanese Culture Requirement (1 course; courses generally available every semester)

____ EALC 252 Pre-Modern Japanese Culture and Aesthetics
____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature
____ JAPN 250 Topics in Japanese Culture

Advanced Elective Requirement – Chinese (1 course)

- _____ CHIN 350 Advanced Topics in Chinese Literature/Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ CHIN 340 Advanced Classical Chinese (offered some spring semesters)
- _____ CHIN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation (open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors by invitation)

Advanced Elective Requirement – Japanese (1 course)

- _____ JAPN 350 Advanced Topics in Japanese Literature/Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ JAPN 453 Understanding Japanese Society through Pop Culture (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 454 Studies in Japanese Prose (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 455 Studies in Japanese Poetry (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation (open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors by invitation)

Senior Seminar Requirement (1 course; offered each spring beginning 2016)

- _____ EALC 495 Senior Seminar

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students interested in majoring or minoring in EALC who have native-level language abilities in either Mandarin or Japanese, or who test beyond course 202 in either language, may substitute language requirements with approved electives, but are highly encouraged to instead take the East Asian language in which they are not proficient
- Students wishing to fulfill major or minor requirements with coursework completed abroad need to consult with program faculty *before* enrolling in courses unless circumstances with the study abroad program make this consultation impossible. Students may be asked to submit course descriptions, syllabi, and/or completed assignments before courses completed abroad are approved for the major or minor.
- At least one of the 300 level courses required for the major must be taken at Austin College upon the student's return, and under no circumstances may majors substitute EALC 495.
- With the approval of program faculty, students may count a maximum of one credit from the following toward the completion of the major or minor: a) an East Asia-related Jan term credit, b) Chinese or Japanese language house, or c) conversation courses.
- Courses taken in the major should be made in consultation with program faculty.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A minor in EALC with a concentration in Chinese consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course)

- _____ CHIN 202 Intermediate Chinese II (offered every spring)

Survey Requirement (1 course; generally available in the fall)

- _____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature

Japanese Elective (1 course; courses available most semesters)

- _____ EALC 252 Pre-Modern Japanese Culture and Aesthetics
- _____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature
- _____ JAPN 250 Topics in Japanese Culture

Chinese Elective (1 course; courses available most semesters)

- _____ EALC 251 Pre-Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ CHIN 250 Topics in Chinese Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese (offered occasionally in spring)
- _____ CHIN 226 Chinese House (offered every semester)

Advanced Chinese Elective (1 course)

- _____ EALC 350 Advanced Topics in Chinese Literature/Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ CHIN 340 Advanced Classical Chinese (offered occasionally in spring)
- _____ CHIN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation (open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors by invitation)
- _____ EALC 495 Senior Seminar (offered every spring beginning 2016)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Students interested in majoring or minoring in EALC who have native-level language abilities in either Mandarin or Japanese, or who test beyond course 202 in either language, may substitute language requirements with approved electives, but are highly encouraged to instead take the East Asian language in which they are not proficient.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

A minor in EALC with a concentration in Japanese consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course)

- _____ JAPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II (offered every spring)

Survey Requirement (1 course; generally available spring semesters in rotation)

- _____ EALC 252 Pre-modern Japanese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature

Chinese Elective (1 course; courses available most semesters)

- _____ EALC 251 Pre-modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture/Literature
- _____ CHIN 250 Topics in Chinese Culture
- _____ CHIN 240 Classical Chinese

Additional Japanese Elective (1 course)

- _____ EALC 252 Pre-modern Japanese Culture/Literature
- _____ EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture/Literature
- _____ JAPN 250 Topics in Japanese Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ JAPN 236 Advanced Japanese I (offered every fall)
- _____ JAPN 226 Japanese House (offered every semester)

Advanced Japanese Elective (1 course)

- _____ JAPN 350 Advanced Topics in Japanese Literature/Culture (offered most spring semesters)
- _____ JAPN 453 Understanding Japanese Society Through Pop Culture (offered every third spring)
- _____ JAPN 454 Studies in Japanese Prose (offered every third spring)

_____ JAPN 455 Studies in Japanese Poetry (offered every third spring)

_____ JAPN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation (open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors by invitation)

_____ EALC 495 Senior Seminar (offered every spring beginning 2016)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Students interested in majoring or minoring in EALC who have native-level language abilities in either Mandarin or Japanese, or who test beyond course 202 in either language, may substitute language requirements with approved electives, but are highly encouraged to instead take the East Asian language in which they are not proficient.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT

Those students who have taken Mandarin or Japanese in high school or otherwise have background in either language should report for placement testing. The placement tests include all skills of a language: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. A student who scores placement into 202 or higher will have satisfied the Austin College language competency requirement.

Students scoring a 4 or 5 on the Chinese or Japanese AP exams will be placed into course 201 (third semester); those students who believe that their abilities in the language exceed third semester should take the placement test.

Students who have attended school in a Mandarin or Japanese-speaking context should submit documentation directly to the registrar to have their language competency requirement satisfied.

MODERN LANGUAGES

The mission of the modern language program is to engage students in the study of the language, culture, history, and literature of another country and in this way to provide the student with the essential skills of communication in another language, with experience in interpreting a variety of texts, and with an introduction to selected literary works and authors.

Courses in modern languages give the student of liberal arts a cultural background obtainable only through the study of the language and literature of another country. The student is expected to acquire the essential skills of oral and written communication. Courses are designed to provide sustained contact with the language in a variety of settings. All courses are normally conducted in the language being learned. In advanced courses the student comes to appreciate the literature of the language, the culture, and customs of the countries where it is spoken, and the intricacies and nuances of its grammatical and syntactical structure.

Modern Language Placement

A student at Austin College must demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language at the third-semester level in order to meet graduation requirements. A student wishing to continue the language studied in high school must take the Austin College placement test given at the beginning of the fall term. The student will be placed in the appropriate course based on the placement test score. A student who scores at the fourth-semester level or above on the Austin College placement test will have satisfied the language proficiency requirement. A student may

take the placement test only twice during his or her Austin College career, once as a freshman, and once at a later date.

A student who has successfully completed the second semester of a modern language at Austin College or who was placed into the third semester course by the Austin College placement test, or who has received transfer credit from another institution for an equivalent level of study, may satisfy the language competency requirement by successfully completing an approved immersion program during a January term or a summer period.

A student who is placed by Austin College into the 202 level of a modern language or higher as the first college-level course in that language and who completes this with a satisfactory grade (S, C, or above) also will receive one additional credit. This additional, elective credit may not count toward the minor or the major.

A student also may take the Advanced Placement Examination following the appropriate Advanced Placement course in high school. If successful in the Advanced Placement Examination, the student will be given credit for one 202 level course and will therefore have satisfied the language competency requirement. The granting of credit for the Advanced Placement Examination does not depend on completion of further study.

A student may not receive both Advanced Placement Examination credit and Austin College placement credit.

FRENCH

A **major in French** consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course applied to the major)

_____ FR 202 or above

French Electives (4 courses)

_____ FR any level

_____ FR any level

_____ FR any level

_____ FR any level

French Advanced Electives (2 courses)

_____ FR 300 level or higher

_____ FR 300 level or higher

Senior Seminar Requirement (1 course)

_____ FR 495 Senior Seminar

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- One of the 8 credits may be from the following courses:
 - French 226 French House
 - French 227 Intermediate Conversation
 - French 237 Advanced Conversation
 - Jan Term—An approved French immersion Jan term
- Majors must enroll in French 495 in the spring of their senior year. An honors thesis may not substitute for French 495.

- Up to three credits taught in French that treat French history, philosophy, sociology, political science, art history, or economics may count for the major with departmental approval.
- One approved course taught in English may also count toward the eight credits for the major.
- Majors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a French-speaking country. Those who do not are advised to spend some summers or January terms in a French-language environment. A student returning from a study abroad program must take at least one course in advanced French during the student's remaining time at Austin College.

Total Credit Requirements (8 courses)

A **minor in French** consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course applied to the minor)

_____ FR 202 or above

French Electives (3 courses)

_____ FR any level

_____ FR any level

_____ FR any level

French Advanced Electives (1 course)

_____ FR 300 level or higher

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- One of the 5 credits may be from the following courses:
 - French 226 French House
 - French 227 Intermediate Conversation
 - French 237 Advanced Conversation
 - Jan Term An approved French immersion Jan term

Total Credit Requirements (5 courses)

Majors and minors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a French-speaking country. Those who do not are advised to spend some summers or January terms in a French-language environment. A student returning from a study abroad program must take at least one course in advanced French during the student's remaining time at Austin College.

GERMAN

A **major in German** consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course applied to the major)

_____ GERM 202 or higher

German Electives (4 courses)

_____ GERM any level

_____ GERM any level

_____ GERM any level

_____ GERM any level

German Advanced Electives (2 courses)

_____ GERM 300 level or higher

_____ GERM 300 level or higher

Senior Seminar Requirement (1 course)

_____ GERM 495 Senior Seminar

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- A maximum of one of the eight credits may be from one or two of the following courses:
 - German 226 German House
 - German 227 Intermediate Conversation
 - German 237 Advanced Conversation
- One approved course taught in English with a topic relating to German-speaking culture, history, philosophy etc., may count toward the eight credits for the major.
- Majors must enroll in German 495 in the spring of their senior year. An honors thesis may not substitute for German 495.
Majors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a German-speaking country. A student returning from a study abroad program is encouraged to take at least one course in advanced German during the student's remaining time at Austin College.

Total Credit Requirements (8 courses)

A minor in German consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course applied to the major)

_____ GERM 202 or above

German Electives (3 courses)

_____ GERM any level

_____ GERM any level

_____ GERM any level

German Advanced Electives (1 course)

_____ GERM 300 level or higher

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- A maximum of one of the eight credits may be from one or two of the following courses:
 - German 226 German House
 - German 227 Intermediate Conversation
 - German 237 Advanced Conversation
- Majors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a German-speaking country. A student returning from a study abroad program is encouraged to take at least one course in advanced German during the student's remaining time at Austin College.

Total Credit Requirements (5 courses)

Majors and minors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a German-speaking country. Those who do not are advised to spend some summers or January terms in a German language environment.

SPANISH

A major in Spanish consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course applied to the major)

_____ SPAN 202 or above

Spanish Electives (4 courses)

_____ SPAN any level

_____ SPAN any level

_____ SPAN any level

_____ SPAN any level

Spanish Advanced Electives (2 courses)

_____ SPAN 300 level or higher – taken at Austin College

_____ SPAN 300 level or higher – taken at Austin College

Senior Seminar Requirement (1 course)

_____ SPAN 481 Senior Seminar

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students must take at least one course in each of the two regional focus areas (Spain and Latin America).
- One of the eight credits may be from the following courses:
 - Spanish 226 Spanish House
 - Spanish 227 Intermediate Conversation
 - Spanish 237 Advanced Conversation
 - Jan term – An approved Spanish immersion January or May term
- Up to three credits taught in Spanish that treat Peninsular or Latin American history, philosophy, anthropology, sociology, political science, art history, or economics may count for the major with departmental approval.
- One approved course taught in English may also count toward the eight credits for the major.
- Majors must enroll in Spanish 481 in the spring of their senior year. An honors thesis may not substitute for Spanish 481.
- Majors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a Spanish-speaking country. Those who do not are advised to spend some summers or January terms in a Spanish-language environment. A student returning from a study abroad program must take at least one course in advanced Spanish during the student's remaining time at Austin College.

Total Credit Requirements (8 courses)

A minor in Spanish consists of:

Language Requirement (1 course applied to the major)

_____ SPAN 202 or above

Spanish Electives (3 courses)

- _____ SPAN any level
- _____ SPAN any level
- _____ SPAN any level

Spanish Advanced Electives (1 course)

- _____ SPAN 300 level or higher – taken at Austin College

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- One of the eight credits may be from the following courses:
 - Spanish 226 Spanish House
 - Spanish 227 Intermediate Conversation
 - Spanish 237 Advanced Conversation
 - Jan term – An approved Spanish immersion January or May Term
- Minors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a Spanish-speaking country. Those who do not are advised to spend some summers or January terms in a Spanish-language environment.

Total Credit Requirements (5 courses)

Majors and minors are urged to enroll in an approved study abroad program in a Spanish-speaking country. Those who do not are advised to spend some summers or January terms in a Spanish-language environment. A student returning from a study abroad program must take at least one course in advanced Spanish during the student's remaining time at Austin College.

COURSES in CHINESE

CHIN 101, 102 Beginning Chinese

Introduction to the Chinese language. (101, each fall; 102, each spring)

CHIN 201, 202 Intermediate Chinese

Continuation of the study of Chinese, including listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. PREQ: Chinese 102 or equivalent. COREQ: Chinese 227. (201, each fall; 202, each spring)

CHIN 226 Language House

Provides daily exposure to and practice in spoken Chinese. For a designated 14-week term, students live in the language house where Chinese is the language of everyday discourse. The language house director, in coordination with the language resident, provides systematic evaluation of each student's progress throughout the term. 1/2 course credit units. May be repeated with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

CHIN 227 Intermediate Conversation

Practice in oral skills through conversation, dialogues, dramatizations, improvisations, discussions, and problem-solving situations. PREQ: Chinese 102 or equivalent. 1/2 course credit units. May be taken concurrently with Chinese 201 or above. (Each fall and spring)

CHIN 236 Advanced Chinese

Further development of proficiency in grammatical and stylistic structure of Chinese. Special emphasis is

placed on clarity and accuracy of comprehension and of spoken and written Chinese. PREQ: Chinese 202 or instructor permission. COREQ: Chinese 237.

CHIN 237 Advanced Conversation

Advanced practice in the oral use of the language through readings and discussions of contemporary topics. Particularly suited for students returning from study abroad who would like to maintain their oral skills. Enrollment in consultation with the department. May be repeated once with permission of the instructor. PREQ: Chinese 236. 1/2 course credit units. (Each fall and spring)

CHIN 238 Advanced Chinese II

Further development of proficiency in grammatical and stylistic structure of Chinese. Special emphasis is placed on clarity and accuracy of comprehension and of spoken and written Chinese. COREQ: Chinese 237.

CHIN 240: Classical Chinese and CHIN 340: Advanced Classical Chinese

This course provides an introduction to classical Chinese, also known as literary Chinese (wenyan). For more than three thousand years, up until the early twentieth century, Chinese historical, philosophical, and literary texts were written in classical Chinese. Knowledge of classical Chinese is indispensable to students of East Asian languages and cultures: both as the language of texts that critically shaped the development of the region's civilization and for the linguistic influence the language's history exerts on the region's modern vernaculars. The course teaches reading knowledge of classical Chinese by expanding the student's lexicon of recognized characters and teaching the basic grammar structures of the language. Students will learn famous parables behind Chinese idioms and read selections of famous classical texts in their original language, such as The Analects, Laozi, early histories, and classic poems. Chinese 240 is open to all students who have completed a semester of collegiate-level Chinese or Japanese. Chinese 340 requires completion of Chinese 236 and will meet for an additional hour each week.

CHIN 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Chinese

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CHIN 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Chinese

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

CHIN 355 Studies in the Culture and Civilization of China

Introduces historical writings in Chinese. Special emphasis is placed on vocabulary required to discuss the socio-political history of China, as well as the contemporary situation. COREQ: Chinese 237.

CHIN 357 Advanced Conversation and Composition

Extensive discussion of the contemporary issues and preparation of compositions with special attention to various styles of language. COREQ: Chinese 237.

CHIN 460 Advanced Directed Study in Chinese

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CHIN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular Chinese course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

CHIN 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

CHIN 491 Honors Thesis in Chinese

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

CHIN 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES in CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION**CLAS 101 Greek History and Civilization**

A chronological and topical survey of Greek history from the Bronze Age to the beginning of the Hellenistic Era. Special consideration is given to the political and intellectual history of fifth century Athens.

CLAS 102 Roman History and Civilization

A chronological and topical survey of Roman history from the founding of Rome to the reign of Constantine, with emphasis on the social and political developments of the Late Republic and Early Empire.

CLAS 106 Classical Mythology

A survey of Greek and Roman myths as treated and developed in classical sources, and an introduction to the interpretation of major myths. (Each fall)

CLAS 110 Greek Literature in Translation

A survey of classical Greek literature from Homer to Longinus, including selections of epic, lyric poetry, drama, and literary criticism. Introduction to the interpretation of Greek literature in translation.

CLAS 170 The Ancient World in Film

A critical examination of films about the ancient Mediterranean world, particularly Greece and Rome, together with their ancient literary and historical sources. Students will explore a variety of approaches to film criticism and develop literary and historical analytical skills. Special emphasis will be given to understanding the enduring attraction of Greek and Roman life and literature, the accuracy of cinematic representations of Greece and Rome, and how modern ideas and values influence our understanding of the ancient world.

CLAS 250 Intermediate Topics in Classical Civilization

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit

CLAS 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Classical Civilization

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CLAS 301 Advanced Study in Greek History and Civilization

A study of selected features of Greek history, including a critical examination of the nature of source materials for reconstructing Greek social and intellectual history. PREQ: at least one course in classics at the 100 level or higher, or instructor permission.

CLAS 302 Advanced Study in Roman History and Civilization

A study of selected features of Roman history, including a critical examination of the nature of source materials for reconstructing Roman social, political, and intellectual history. PREQ: at least one course in classics at the 100 level or higher, or instructor permission.

CLAS 306 Advanced Study in Classical Mythology

A study of selected Greek and Roman myths as treated and developed in classical sources. Emphasis on the interpretation of major myths and of myth in general, including social, religious, psychological, and literary uses of myth. PREQ: at least one course in classics at the 100 level or higher, or instructor permission. (Each fall)

CLAS 310 Advanced Study in Greek Literature in Translation

Selected works of classical Greek literature, including the genres of epic and lyric poetry, drama, and literary criticism. Emphasis on literary interpretation from a variety of critical perspectives with some attention to the Greek cultural background. PREQ: at least one course in classics at the 100 level or higher, or instructor permission.

CLAS 350 Advanced Topics in Classical Civilization

An investigation of selected topics, including the construction of gender in Greece and Rome, classical rhetoric and its tradition, Greek drama in translation, and other topics in classical literature and culture. PREQ: at least one course in classics at the 100 level or higher, or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

CLAS 370 Advanced Studies in the Ancient World in Film

A critical examination of films about the ancient Mediterranean world, particularly Greece and Rome, together with their ancient literary and historical sources. Students will explore a variety of approaches to film criticism and develop literary and historical analytical skills. Special emphasis will be given to understanding the enduring attraction of Greek and Roman life and literature, the accuracy of cinematic representations of Greece and Rome, and how modern ideas and values influence our understanding of the ancient world. PREQ: at least one course in classics at the 100 level or higher, or instructor permission.

CLAS 450 Advanced Topics in Classical Civilization

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

CLAS 460 Advanced Directed Study in Classical Civilization

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CLAS 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular classical civilization course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

CLAS 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

CLAS 491 Honors Thesis in Classical Civilization

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

CLAS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES in EALC

EALC 250: Topics in East Asian Languages and Cultures

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Taught in English. 1 course credit.

EALC 251 Pre-modern Chinese Culture

This course surveys the literary and cultural products from the beginnings of Chinese civilization through the fall of the Qing dynasty. We will read many of the major authors, works, and literary genres, and study visual and material cultural artifacts, situating these in their historical and cultural context. Assignments will facilitate students' development of the reading and writing skills necessary to critical and creative engagement with the cultural terrain of early China. Course is taught in English; knowledge of Mandarin language or Chinese culture is not required.

EALC 252 Pre-modern Japanese Culture & Aesthetics

In this survey course we examine the literary and cultural products from the beginnings of Japanese civilization to the Edo period. We will read important works of prose, poetry, and drama, and study visual and material cultural products, placing all cultural artifacts within their historical and aesthetic context. Assignments will facilitate students' development of the reading and writing skills necessary to critical and creative engagement with the cultural terrain of early Japan. Course is taught in English; knowledge of Japanese language or Japanese culture is not required.

EALC 253 Modern Chinese Culture

In this course, a follow up to the pre-modern Chinese culture survey, we explore the literary, visual, and material culture from the fall of the Qing dynasty to the contemporary. Lectures will situate the cultural artifacts we study within their socio-historical contexts, focusing on the cultural concerns that have combined to yield the products we examine. The course provides students with opportunities to develop critical reading and writing skills, though it does not assume or require any previous exposure to or coursework in Chinese literature, history, or language.

EALC 254 Modern Japanese Culture

This course continues the survey of Japanese literary and cultural products, focusing on the prose, poetry, drama, and visual and material culture from the late Edo period through the early 21st century. Lectures provide historical and cultural context for the texts and artifacts we study. The course provides students with opportunities to develop critical reading and writing skills, though it does not assume or require any previous exposure to or coursework in Japanese literature, history, or language.

EALC 350: Advanced Topics in East Asian Languages and Cultures

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. Taught in English; 1 course credit.

EALC 495: Senior Seminar

Specialized topics for advanced study, with a new topic offered every year. Course uses either seminar or workshop format. Topics include the warrior in East Asian culture, imperialism in East Asia, East Asian cinema, women and East Asian culture, modernism in East Asia, and the tension between country and city in East Asia. Requires Senior standing or instructor permission. (Offered every spring)

COURSES in FRENCH

FR 101, 102 Beginning French

An introduction to the French language with particular emphasis on listening and speaking skills. (101, each fall; 102, each fall and spring)

FR 201, 202 Intermediate French

A continuation of the study of French including listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. PREQ: French 102 or equivalent. (Each fall and spring)

FR 226 Language House

Provides daily exposure to and practice in spoken French. For a designated 14-week term, students live in the language house where French is the language of everyday discourse. Members of the French faculty provide systematic evaluation of each student's progress throughout the term. May be repeated with instructor permission. 1/2 course credit unit. (Each fall and spring)

FR 227 Intermediate Conversation

Practice in the oral use of the language in conversation, dramatizations, and discussions. May be taken concurrently with French 201, 202, or 235. May not be taken for credit after completion of French 235 or equivalent. Enrollment in consultation with the department. PREQ: French 102 or equivalent. May be repeated once with instructor permission. 1/2 course credit unit. (Each fall and spring)

FR 235 Explorations in French Literature

An introduction to French literature. Emphasis on reading strategies, techniques, and approaches to contemporary French authors. PREQ: French 202 or equivalent. (Each fall)

FR 236 Advanced Composition, Grammar, and Stylistics

The investigation of the more problematical, grammatical, and stylistic structures of French; acquisition of advanced idiomatic forms; oral and written themes based on contemporary issues. PREQ: French 202 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

FR 237 Advanced Conversation

Advanced practice in the oral use of the language through readings and discussions of contemporary topics. Particularly suited for students returning from study abroad who would like to maintain their oral skills. Enrollment in consultation with the department. PREQ: French 236. May be repeated once with instructor permission. 1/2 course credit unit. (Each fall and spring)

FR 238 Practical Phonetics

A self-paced course designed to improve diction, interpretation, enunciation, and intonation of French. PREQ: French 202 or instructor permission. (Offered on demand in consultation with French faculty)

FR 250 Intermediate Topics in French

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

FR 255 World Literatures: French Literature in Translation

French and Francophone literature in translation. Topics may focus on a particular genre, historical period or movement, and may include consideration of other world literatures. Readings and discussions in English. May be repeated once when topic varies.

FR 260 Intermediate Directed Study in French

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

FR 350 Advanced Topics in French

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

FR 353 French Literature to the French Revolution

A survey of principal authors, movements, and genres of the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, the Classical Age, and the Enlightenment. An introduction to methods and techniques of literary analysis. PREQ: French 236 or instructor permission. (As needed)

FR 354 French Literature Since the French Revolution

A survey of principal authors, movements, and genres of the 19th and 20th centuries. An introduction to methods and techniques of literary analysis. PREQ: French 236 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

FR 355 Studies in Culture and Civilization of France

Designed to provide insights into various aspects of French culture, past and present: institutions, geography,

social problems, fine arts, and daily life. PREQ: French 236 or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (As needed)

FR 357 Syntax and Stylistics

Extensive discussion of contemporary issues and preparation of compositions with special attention to various styles of language. The vocabulary used will consist not only of practical and daily-life items, but also of abstract and sophisticated terms. PREQ: French 236 or instructor permission. (As needed)

FR 450 Advanced Topics in French

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

FR 460 Advanced Directed Study in French (Variable course credit)

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

FR 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular French course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. May not be counted for the major.

FR 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

FR 491 Honors Thesis in French

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See "Departmental Honors Program" for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

FR 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

FR 495 Senior Seminar in French Literature

Specialized topics for advanced study. Normally a new topic will be offered every year in seminar format. Topics have included medieval literature, French novel into film, exoticism in French literature, 19th century novel, and modern poetry. PREQ: French 353 or 354 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies. (Each spring)

COURSES in GERMAN

GER 101, 102 Beginning German

An introduction to the language. Course aims at progressive development of fluency through extensive exposure to the language in real situations. A comprehension-based approach. (Each fall and spring)

GER 201, 202 Intermediate German

Continues development of fluency in both comprehension and production of the language. Emphasizes ease and fluency in production and practical strategies for reading. (Each fall and spring)

GER 226 Language House

Provides daily exposure to and practice in spoken German. For a designated 14-week term, students live in the language house where German is the language of everyday discourse. Members of the German faculty provide systematic evaluation of each student's progress throughout the term. 1/2 course credit unit. May be repeated with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

GER 227 Intermediate Conversation

Practice in the oral use of the language in conversation, dramatizations, and discussions. May be taken concurrently with German 201, 202, or 235. May not be taken for credit after completion of German 235 or equivalent. Enrollment in consultation with the department. PREQ: German 102 or equivalent. 1/2 course credit unit. May be repeated once with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

GER 235 Explorations in German Literatures and Cultures

Development of critical reading strategies for cultural, literary and journalistic narratives, including sources from a variety of genres and periods. PREQ: German 202. May be repeated once with instructor permission when readings vary. (Each fall)

GER 236 Advanced German Conversation and Composition

Development of advanced comprehension and production of German and cultural competency with a focus on contemporary issues. Discussion of a variety of topics based on authentic sources including multimedia materials. Special emphasis is placed on clarity and accuracy of spoken and written German. PREQ: German 202 or instructor permission. May be repeated once with permission when readings vary. (Each spring)

GER 237 Advanced Conversation

Advanced practice in the oral use of the language through readings and discussions of contemporary topics. Particularly suited for students returning from study abroad who would like to maintain their oral skills. Enrollment in consultation with the department. PREQ: German 236. 1/2 course credit unit. May be repeated once with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

GER 250 Intermediate Topics in German

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

GER 255 World Literatures: German Literature in Translation

German literature in translation. Topics may focus on a particular genre, historical period, or movement, and may include consideration of other world literatures. Readings and discussions in English. May be repeated once when topic varies.

GER 260 Intermediate Directed Study in German

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GER 350 Topics in German Literature, Culture and Film

In depth discussions and written analyses of a variety of materials related to German language and culture. Usually, a new topic will be offered every year. Topics may be approached from an interdisciplinary perspective and may include literature, the visual arts, cultural studies and critical theory, cultural geography, history, and film. PREQ: German 235 and/or 236 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

GER 354 Studies in Literature and Society Through the 18th Century

Significant moments in the development of culture and society in middle Europe through the Enlightenment and Sturm und Drang. Readings from the times of Charlemagne, Luther and the Reformation, the Thirty Years' War, and the 18th century of Kant, Goethe, and Schiller. Emphasis is announced in term schedule of courses. PREQ: German 236 or instructor permission. May be repeated once when emphasis varies. (Every other fall)

GER 355 Studies in Literature and Society Since the 18th Century

Significant moments in the development of culture and society in middle Europe since the French Revolution. Literature from the Romantic movement into the 20th century. PREQ: German 236 or Instructor permission. May be repeated with permission when readings vary. (Every other fall)

GER 357 Advanced Conversation and Composition

Extensive discussion of contemporary issues, based on readings in contemporary journals. Improvisation and production of sketches on questions of interest. Fluency and accuracy also developed through frequent writing assignments. PREQ: German 236 or instructor permission. (Each spring)

GER 450 Advanced Topics in German

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

GER 460 Advanced Directed Study in German

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GER 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular German course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. May not be counted for the major.

GER 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GER 491 Honors Thesis in German

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

GER 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GER 495 Senior Seminar. Topics in German Literature, Culture, and Film

In depth discussions and written analyses of a variety of materials related to German language and culture. Usually, a new topic will be offered every year. Topics may be approached from an interdisciplinary perspective and may include literature, the visual arts, cultural studies and critical theory, cultural geography, history, and film. PREQ: instructor permission. (Each spring)

COURSES in ANCIENT GREEK

GRK 101, 102 Beginning Greek

Development of skills in using the ancient Greek language, especially the skill of reading Greek. Introduction to Greek civilization. Some attention is also given to Greek's contribution to the English language. (101, each fall; 102, each spring)

GRK 201, 202 Intermediate Greek

Continuation of Greek skills development and study of Greek civilization. Also, an introduction to literary texts of the classical and New Testament periods. PREQ: Greek 102 or equivalent. (201, each fall; 202, each spring)

GRK 250 Intermediate Topics in Greek

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

GRK 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Greek

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GRK 350 Advanced Topics in Greek

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

GRK 450 Advanced Studies in Greek

Major authors, genres, or topics of Greek literature chosen to meet the needs of the class. Topics may include Homer, Greek historians, Greek tragedy, Aristophanes, Greek New Testament, and Greek lyric poetry. PREQ: GRK 202 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

GRK 460 Advanced Directed Study in Greek

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GRK 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular Greek course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

GRK 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GRK 491 Honors Thesis in Greek

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

GRK 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES in JAPANESE

JAPN 101, 102 Beginning Japanese

Introduction to the Japanese language. (101, each fall; 102, each spring)

JAPN 201, 202 Intermediate Japanese

Continuation of the study of Japanese, including listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. PREQ: Japanese 102 or equivalent. COREQ: Japanese 227. (201, each fall; 202, each spring)

JAPN 226 Language House (1/2 course credit unit)

Provides daily exposure to and practice in spoken Japanese. For a designated 14-week term, students live in the language house where Japanese is the language of everyday discourse. The language house director, in coordination with the language resident, provides systematic evaluation of each student's progress throughout the term. May be repeated with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

JAPN 227 Intermediate Conversation

Practice in oral skills through conversation, dialogues, dramatizations, improvisations, discussions, and problem-solving situations. PREQ: Japanese 102 or equivalent. 1/2 course credit unit. May be taken concurrently with Japanese 201 or above. (Each fall and spring)

JAPN 236 Advanced Japanese

Further development of proficiency in grammatical and stylistic structure of Japanese. Special emphasis is placed on clarity and accuracy of comprehension and of spoken and written Japanese. PREQ: Japanese 202 or instructor permission. COREQ: Japanese 237. (Each fall)

JAPN 237 Advanced Conversation

Advanced practice in the oral use of the language through readings and discussions of contemporary topics. Particularly suited for students returning from study abroad who would like to maintain their oral skills. Enrollment in consultation with the department. 1/2 course credit unit. May be repeated once with permission of the instructor. PREQ: Japanese 236. (Each fall and spring)

JAPN 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Japanese

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

JAPN 453 Understanding Japanese Society Through Pop Culture

This course studies modern Japanese society through examination of popular cultural artifacts, including popular literature, comics, magazines, films, and animation (anime). Readings, discussions, and class assignments help increase the student's understanding of current events and social issues in Japan. COREQ: Japanese 237.

JAPN 454 Studies in Japanese Prose

This course will introduce students to a variety of prose styles in Japanese and will explore the ways in which the written language is used to achieve various ends. Readings taken from different sources cover a range of topics including Japanese culture, arts, current events, and social issues. COREQ: Japanese 237. (Spring 2014)

JAPN 455 Studies in Japanese Poetry

This course is an introduction to Japanese poetic forms from the ancient era to the modern period. Readings will include poetry by pre-modern masters as well as modern poets. Class sessions incorporate discussions of the events and social issues impacting poetry throughout Japanese history. COREQ: Japanese 237. (Spring 2015)

JAPN 460 Advanced Directed Study in Japanese

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

JAPN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular Japanese course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

JAPN 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

JAPN 491 Honors Thesis in Japanese

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

JAPN 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES in LATIN

LAT 101, 102 Beginning Latin

Development of skills in using the Latin language, especially the skill of reading Latin. Introduction to Roman civilization. Some attention is also given to Latin's contribution to English and other modern languages. (101, each fall; 102, each spring)

LAT 201, 202 Intermediate Latin

Continuation of Latin skills development and study of Roman civilization. Also, an introduction to Latin literary texts. PREQ: Latin 102 or equivalent. (201, each fall; 202, each spring)

LAT 236 Advanced Latin Grammar and Composition (1/2 course credit unit)

A comprehensive review of Latin grammar with practice in writing Latin. PREQ: Latin 202 or the equivalent. May be taken concurrently with a 300 level course in Latin. (Each fall)

LAT 250 Intermediate Topics in Latin

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

LAT 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Latin

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

LAT 350 Advanced Topics in Latin

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

LAT 404 Latin Lyric and Elegiac Poetry

A survey of the masters of classical Latin lyric poetry (Catullus and Horace) and of the Latin love elegy (Tibullus, Propertius, and Ovid). Includes discussion of the relevant literary tradition and the Roman cultural context. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. (Fall 2011)

LAT 406 Roman History and Biography

A survey of Roman historical and biographical writings, including selections from Livy, Sallust, Caesar, Tacitus, Suetonius, and Cornelius Nepos. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. (Spring 2013)

LAT 408 Latin Prose Authors

A study of selected prose works (including oratory, essays, and fiction) written by major Roman authors, including Cicero and Petronius. Includes study of the Roman cultural context. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. (Fall 2010)

LAT 410 Roman Drama

A study of the major Roman dramatists (Plautus, Terence, Seneca), including the background and origins of Roman drama, dramatic theory, and performance practice. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. (Spring 2010)

LAT 412 Roman Epic

A study of selected works by ancient Rome's epic poets, Vergil and others. Includes the background of the Roman epic tradition. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. (Fall 2009)

LAT 414 Studies in Medieval Latin

A survey of Latin prose, poetry, and drama from late antiquity to the Renaissance. Includes study of Latin paleography, relevant literary traditions, and cultural contexts. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. May be repeated when content varies. (Spring 2012)

LAT 416 Roman Philosophers

A survey of philosophical texts written by Roman authors, including Lucretius and Seneca, with emphasis on the literary qualities and genres, as well as the broad human relevance of these works. Some attention also given to the philosophical traditions (e.g., Stoic, Epicurean) and to the Roman cultural and social realities reflected in these works. PREQ: Latin 202 or instructor permission. (Spring 2011)

LAT 450 Advanced Topics in Latin

Major authors, genres, or topics of Roman literature chosen to meet the needs of the class. May be repeated when topic varies. (Fall 2012)

LAT 460 Advanced Directed Study in Latin

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

LAT 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular Latin course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

LAT 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

LAT 491 Honors Thesis in Latin

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See

Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

LAT 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

LAT 503 Methods and Materials in the Teaching of Classical Languages

(see Modern Languages 503)

COURSES in MODERN LANGUAGES

ML 101, 102 Beginning Modern Language

An introduction to a modern language less frequently taught at Austin College. This course is designed for beginners who wish to acquire the basics of vocabulary, grammar, phonology, and script. The course will also introduce students to certain aspects of the culture. Listening, speaking, and reading skills will be emphasized. Past offerings have included Arabic, Hindi, and Persian.

ML 201, 202 Intermediate Modern Language

A continuation of the study of a modern language less frequently taught at Austin College. This course is designed for intermediate students who wish to acquire a more advanced level of vocabulary, grammar, phonology, and script. The course will also introduce students to certain aspects of the culture. Listening, speaking, and reading skills will be emphasized. Past offerings have included Arabic and Chinese. PREQ: ML 102 or equivalent.

ML 493, 503 Methods and Materials in the Teaching of Modern Languages

A study of methods and materials of language teaching. Variable course credit units.

COURSES in SPANISH

SPAN 101, 102 Beginning Spanish

An introduction to the Spanish language, oriented toward developing proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. (101, summer only; 102, each fall and spring)

SPAN 201, 202 Intermediate Spanish

Continues development of proficiency in the four areas of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. PREQ: Spanish 102 or equivalent. (Each fall and spring)

SPAN 226 Language House

Provides daily exposure to and practice in spoken Spanish. For a designated 14-week term, students live in the language house where Spanish is the language of everyday discourse. Members of the Spanish faculty provide systematic evaluation of each student's progress throughout the term. 1/2 course credit unit. May be repeated with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

SPAN 227 Intermediate Conversation

Practice in oral skills through conversation, dramatizations, improvisations, discussions, and problem-solving situations. PREQ: Spanish 102 or equivalent. May be taken concurrently with Spanish 201, Spanish 202, or

Spanish 236. 1/2 course credit unit. May not be taken for credit after completion of Spanish 236, after study abroad, or by native speakers. Enrollment in consultation with department. May be repeated once with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

SPAN 236 Advanced Spanish

A variety of literary texts serve as the basis for development of comprehension and production of Spanish. Special emphasis is placed on clarity and accuracy of spoken and written Spanish. PREQ: Spanish 202 or instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

SPAN 237 Advanced Conversation

Advanced practice in the oral use of the language through readings and discussions of contemporary topics. Particularly suited for students returning from study abroad who would like to maintain their oral skills. Enrollment in consultation with the department. PREQ: Spanish 236. 1/2 course credit unit. May be repeated once with instructor permission. (Each fall and spring)

SPAN 250 Intermediate Topics in Hispanic Civilization and Culture

Introduction to central trends in Latin American or Spanish thought and culture. Although readings may include literary texts, many non-fiction sources will be used. PREQ: Spanish 236 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies. (Offered each year)

SPAN 255 World Literatures: Hispanic Literature in Translation

Hispanic literature in translation. Topics may focus on a particular genre, historical period or movement, and may include consideration of other world literatures. Readings and discussions in English. May be repeated once when topic varies.

SPAN 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Spanish

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SPAN 350 Advanced Topics in Hispanic Literature

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

SPAN 355 Peninsular Literature

A survey of principal texts, movements, and genres with their historical backgrounds, from the medieval period to the present. PREQ: Spanish 236 or instructor permission. (Offered each year)

SPAN 356 Spanish-American Literature

A survey of principal texts, movements, and genres with their historical backgrounds, from the pre-Columbian period to the present. PREQ: Spanish 236 or instructor permission. (Offered each year)

SPAN 357 Advanced Conversation and Composition

A course designed to give the well-prepared student an opportunity to acquire skill in the communication of ideas through extensive preparation and practice. PREQ: Spanish 236 or instructor permission.

SPAN 450 Advanced Topics in Hispanic Literature

A critical examination of Latin American or Spanish literary texts from selected perspectives. Topics have

included the indigenous voice in Latin American narrative, Spanish women writers, and the Latin American “Boom.” PREQ: Spanish 236 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies. (Offered each year)

SPAN 460 Advanced Directed Study in Spanish

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SPAN 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular Spanish course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. May not be counted for the major.

SPAN 481 Seminar in Hispanic Literature

Specialized topics for advanced study. A new topic will be offered every year. Seminar format. Topics have included the search for origins in Spanish American literature, Spanish American film and literature, Chicana/Mexicana Narrative, Contemporary Spanish Poetry, and Cervantes’ Don Quijote. PREQ: a 300 level course in Spanish or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Each spring)

SPAN 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

SPAN 491 Honors Thesis in Spanish

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor’s thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor’s degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

SPAN 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Director: Hank Gorman

The mission of the cognitive science program is to provide students in the minor with a faithful representation of the significant issues in cognitive science. Cognitive science is an interdisciplinary field of study which unites people from philosophy, psychology, mathematics, computer science, linguistics, and biology around the common theme of mind. Inquiry in the cognitive sciences involves questions of semantics; knowledge representation; ontology; the functional architecture of human mind; planning, search and control; natural language parsing; cognitive development; and natural and artificial intelligence.

A **minor in cognitive science** consists of:

Introduction to Cognitive Science (1 course)

- _____ COG 120 Introduction to Cognitive Science
- _____ PSY 220 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology

Introduction to Formal Representation Systems (1 course)

- _____ MATH 141 Discrete Mathematics
- _____ CS 201 Discrete Mathematics
- _____ PHIL 110 Modern Logic

Philosophical background of Cognitive Science (1 course)

- _____ PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 230 Contemporary Philosophy

Knowledge representation, intelligence, natural language parsing, and thinking from Computer Science, Philosophy, or Psychology emphasis (1 course)

- _____ PHIL 306 Knowledge and Reality
- _____ PHIL 310 Mind and Language
- _____ PSY 355 Learning, Memory, and Cognition
- _____ CS 440 Artificial Intelligence

Elective from Computer Science, Philosophy, or Psychology emphasis (1 course)

- _____ CS 410 Programming Languages
- _____ CS 412 Data Structures and Algorithms
- _____ PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 230 Contemporary Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 310 Mind and Language
- _____ PSY 215 Behavioral Neuroscience

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSE

COGS 120 Cognitive Science

Addresses some of the ways in which such varied disciplines as psychology, computer science, linguistics, philosophy, and mathematics ask questions about the nature of mind. Specific content varies, but may include aspects of philosophy of mind, knowledge representation, language processing, artificial intelligence, and neurophysiology. Often includes lab work in robotics and artificial intelligence programming. (Each fall or spring)

COMMUNICATION, MEDIA STUDIES, AND THEATRE

Chair: Brett Boessen

Faculty: Liz Banks, Kirk Everist, Michael Fairley, Erin Copple Smith

Adjunct Faculty: Debra Flowers

Emeriti: Bonnie Beardsley, Kathleen Campbell, W.D. Narramore, Jr.

Degree Programs Offered in Communication, Media Studies, and Theatre

Major in Communication

Minor in Communication

Major in Media Studies

Minor in Media Studies

Minor in Film Studies

Major in Theatre

Minor in Theatre

COMMUNICATION

Communication offers students the opportunity to study various aspects of communication in everyday social settings. Courses explore the importance and complexities of verbal and nonverbal communication in interpersonal, organizational, and cultural contexts. Students also have the opportunity to learn about the role of public speaking in society and develop their own speaking skills.

Students in communication have opportunities to participate in a variety of internships, other experiential learning activities, and present their own research and interact with scholars at academic conferences.

A major in communication consists of:

Communication Electives (5 courses; offering frequency varies)

___ COMM 112 Public Speaking*

___ COMM 222 Interpersonal Communication*

___ COMM 250 (Topics Courses)

___ COMM 260 Intermediate Directed Study (Variable course credit)

___ MEDA 121 Introduction to Media Studies

___ THEA 111 Theatre Arts Introduction

___ CSOC (Career Study Off-Campus with approval)

*Common entry-level courses.

Advanced Study in Communication (3 courses; offering frequency varies)

___ COMM 355 Nonverbal Communication

___ COMM 352 Organizational Communication

___ COMM 455 Intercultural Communication

___ COMM 350 (Topics Courses)

___ COMM 450 (Topics Courses)

- ___ COMM 460 Advanced Directed Study (Variable course credit)
- ___ COMM 490, 491 Independent Study
- ___ COMM 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A minor in communication consists of:

Communication Electives (3 courses; offering frequency varies)

- ___ COMM 112 Public Speaking*
- ___ COMM 222 Interpersonal Communication*
- ___ COMM 250 (Topics Courses)
- ___ COMM 260 Intermediate Directed Study (Variable course credit)
- ___ MEDA 121 Introduction to Media Studies OR THEA 111 Theatre Arts Introduction
- ___ CSOC (Career Study Off-Campus with approval)

*Common entry-level courses.

Advanced Study in Communication (2 courses; offering frequency varies)

- ___ COMM 355 Nonverbal Communication
- ___ COMM 352 Organizational Communication
- ___ COMM 455 Intercultural Communication
- ___ COMM 350 (Topics Courses)
- ___ COMM 450 (Topics Courses)
- ___ COMM 460 Advanced Directed Study (Variable course credit)
- ___ COMM 490, 491 Independent Study
- ___ COMM 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

MEDIA STUDIES

Media studies investigates the wide range of approaches to understanding and interpreting media forms and practices, especially digital and motion picture media such as television, film, internet, and video games. Students will become familiar with theories and practices of media representation, production, consumption, and regulation. Students will have a variety of opportunities to engage critically with existing media producers and texts, as well as create their own.

A major in media studies consists of:

Introduction to Media Studies (1 course credit; offered every semester)

- ___ MEDA 121 Introduction to Media Studies

Media Studies Electives (3-6 course credits; offerings vary but generally offered each semester)

- ___ MEDA 205 New Media and Cultural Change
- ___ MEDA 210 Games in Contemporary Culture
- ___ MEDA 231 Digital Video Production I
- ___ MEDA 240 Topics in Media Studies: Film
- ___ MEDA 250 Topics in Media Studies

- ___ THEA 111 Theatre Arts Introduction
- ___ COMM 222 Interpersonal Communication

Advanced Media Studies (3-6 course credits; offerings vary but are generally offered every year)

- ___ MEDA 351 Digital Video Production II
- ___ MEDA 355 Screenwriting
- ___ MEDA 440 Advanced Topics in Media Studies: Film
- ___ MEDA 450 Advanced Topics in Media Studies
- ___ MEDA 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

Individualized Media Study (1-2 course credits; coordinate with Media Studies faculty)

- ___ MEDA 260 Intermediate Directed Study (Variable course credit)
- ___ MEDA 460 Advanced Directed Study (Variable course credit)
- ___ MEDA 490, 491 Independent Study
- ___ MEDA 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Total Credits Requirement (8-11 courses)

A minor in media studies consists of:

Introduction to Media Studies (1 course credit; offered every semester)

- ___ MEDA 121 Introduction to Media Studies

Media Studies Breadth (2 course credits; offerings vary but generally offered each semester)

- ___ MEDA 205 New Media and Cultural Change
- ___ MEDA 210 Games in Contemporary Culture
- ___ MEDA 231 Digital Video Production I
- ___ MEDA 240 Topics in Media Studies: Film
- ___ MEDA 250 Topics in Media Studies
- ___ THEA 111 Theatre Arts Introduction
- ___ COMM 222 Interpersonal Communication

Advanced Media Studies (2 course credit; offerings vary)

- ___ MEDA 351 Digital Video Production II
- ___ MEDA 355 Screenwriting
- ___ MEDA 440 Advanced Topics in Media Studies: Film
- ___ MEDA 450 Advanced Topics in Media Studies
- ___ MEDA 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

FILM STUDIES

Film studies investigates the wide range of approaches to understanding and interpreting cinema, both historically and in contemporary society. Students will become familiar with the history of film production, distribution, and consumption, and the major philosophical and critical approaches applied to the study of film. Students may take courses in film history and analysis, national and world cinemas, and cinema in relation to other academic disciplines.

A minor in film studies consists of:

Introduction to Media Studies (1 course; offered every semester)

___ MEDA 121 Introduction to Media Studies

Film Studies Electives (2 courses, 1 course if a 300 level or higher course outside the Communication, Media, and Theatre Department is taken; offering frequency varies)

___ ANTH 250 Screening Difference: Film and Ethnography

___ CLAS 170 The Ancient World in Film

___ ENG 250 Melodrama

___ ENG 250 Monsters

___ ENG 252 Shakespeare and Film

___ FR 250 The French New Wave

___ JAPN 250 Japan and Cinema

Advanced Film Studies (2 courses; offering frequency varies)

___ (Required) MEDA 440 Advanced Topics in Media Studies: Film (may be repeated if topic differs)

___ One other approved course level 300 or higher

___ FR 350 French Cinema: 1895 to Today

___ JAPN 250/350 Japan and Cinema

___ MEDA 351 Digital Video Production II

___ MEDA 355 Screenwriting (to be added to the bulletin Fall 2014)

___ SPAN 481 Cinelandia

___ Other _____

(must be approved by Film Studies director)

Media Studies Emphasis Option: If a 300 level or higher course outside the Media Studies program is taken, a second course below the 300 level may be taken in the Communication, Media, and Theatre Department

___ MEDA 240 Topics in Media Studies: Film

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

THEATRE

The theatre curriculum explores aspects of the crafts of theatre-making as well as the history and development of modern theatre.

A major in theatre consists of:

Required Courses (4 courses)

___ THEA 142 Development of Dramatic Art I (alternate semesters with DDAII)

___ THEA 143 Development of Dramatic Art II (alternate semesters with DDA I)

___ THEA 221 Acting (generally offered every fall)

___ THEA 493 Shapers of the Modern Theatre (offered every fall)

Communication or Media Studies (1 course)

- _____ MEDA or COMM course
- _____ Additional MEDA or COMM course with faculty approval

Theatre Electives (1-2 courses)

- _____ THEA any level
- _____ THEA any level

Theatre Advanced Electives (3 courses)

- _____ THEA 300 level or higher
- _____ THEA 300 level or higher
- _____ THEA 300 level or higher

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students majoring in theatre are expected to participate in departmental productions.
- The department encourages students to study abroad. However, some courses are required to be completed on the Austin College campus for the major. Please consult with the department chair when planning study abroad.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A **minor in theatre** consists of:

Core Requirement (no more than 1 unit of practicum credit)

- _____ THEA 221 Acting (generally offered every fall)
- _____ THEA any level
- _____ THEA any level
- _____ THEA 300 level or higher
- _____ THEA 300 level or higher

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES IN COMMUNICATION

COMM 112 Public Speaking

An introduction to the principles of effective public speaking. Students will learn to structure speeches in effective and ethical ways, to present speeches in various contexts and for various purposes, and to think critically about speeches presented by others in society. (Normally offered each fall and spring)

COMM 222 Interpersonal Communication

An introduction to theories about the various taken-for-granted ways of communicating in the complex and diverse contexts in which people learn, work, and build relationships. Students will study and apply communication principles involving language, nonverbal communication, and culture as they relate to their own lives. (Normally taught each fall and spring)

COMM 250 Topics in Communication

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

COMM 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: one communication class; Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

COMM 352 Organizational Communication

An introduction to a theoretical and practical understanding of the unique forms and functions of communication in organizations. Students will examine various communication issues such as organizational structure, problem solving, technology, diversity, and organizational culture as they relate to different types of organizations in society today. PREQ: Any speech class or instructor permission. (Normally offered every third semester)

COMM 355 Nonverbal Communication

Nonverbal communication involves all the ways people communicate apart from the content of verbal language that each of us participates in on a daily basis, in virtually everything we do. This course is designed to introduce students to theories and concepts that attempt to explain complex communication processes involving nonverbal communication. PREQ: Any communication course or instructor permission. (Normally offered every third semester)

COMM 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Communication

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. PREQ: Any communication class or instructor permission.

COMM 353 Communication in Relationships

This course seeks to develop an understanding of communication-relevant issues in various types of personal relationships including romantic relationships, friendships, work relationships, and others. The course also will develop analytical skills by critically reading current theories/studies and applying these concepts to examples in film/TV, literature, and in general, contemporary relationship phenomena. PREQ: any communication course or instructor permission. (Normally every third or fourth semesters)

COMM 455 Intercultural Communication

An exploration of theoretical understandings of intercultural, inter-gender, and inter-generational communication. Students will closely examine theories of intercultural phenomena, apply concepts to communication encounters, and investigate intercultural communication by conducting their own research. PREQ: Any speech class or instructor permission. (Normally offered every third semester)

COMM 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two 300 level or higher courses in communication. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

COMM 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular COMM course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

COMM 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. Special permission required. 1 course credit. PREQ: two 300 level or higher courses in communication and Junior standing.

COMM 491 Honors Thesis in Communication

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

COMM 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two 300 level or higher courses in communication and Junior standing. Must have 3.0 GPA in major. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES IN MEDIA STUDIES

MEDA 121 Introduction to Media Studies

An introduction to the history, theory, and analysis of mass and digital networked media, including print, film, radio, television, video games, and the Internet, with primary concern for their modes of representation and roles in culture. (Each fall and spring)

MEDA 205 New Media and Cultural Change

Focuses on the proliferation of cultural practices organized around digital networked media. (Offering Varies)

MEDA 231 Digital Video Production I

Study of basic principles and techniques of video production. (Each fall)

MEDA 240 Topics in Media Studies: Film

An investigation of selected topics and issues in film studies. May be repeated when topic varies.

MEDA 250 Topics in Media Studies

An investigation of selected media topics and issues. May be repeated when topic varies.

MEDA 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

MEDA 351 Digital Video Production II

Advanced course in principles and techniques of digital video production. Students produce longer form narrative fiction in order to deepen skills acquired in MEDA 231. Highlights advanced screenwriting, directing, and editing techniques. PREQ: Media 231. (Each spring)

MEDA 440 Advanced Topics in Media Studies: Film

An investigation of selected topics and issues in film studies. Admission by permission of instructor. PREQ: Media 121 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

MEDA 450 Advanced Topics in Media Studies

An investigation of selected media topics and issues. Admission by instructor permission. PREQ: Media 121 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

MEDA 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two courses in media studies. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

MEDA 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular media course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

MEDA 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two courses in media studies. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

MEDA 491 Honors Thesis in Media Studies

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

MEDA 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES IN THEATRE

THEA 111 Theatre Arts Introduction

This course is aimed at all students interested in gaining a broad understanding of the practice of theatre. Students will gain a basic working knowledge of the theatre, including the various practitioners who come together in *collaboration* to create a theatre production. The course is also designed to foster a lifelong appreciation of the theatre, and to help students understand the theatre's place in and importance to society. (Each year)

THEA 132 Rehearsal and Performance

Supervised practice in the presentation of drama through participation during a 14-week term in faculty-directed departmental production assignments. (Graded S/D/U basis) Variable course credit units. May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit. (Available as needed)

THEA 142 Development of Dramatic Art I

A study in forms of drama with attention to their historical and social contexts from classical times through the 18th century. (Each year)

THEA 143 Development of Dramatic Art II

A study of 19th- and 20th-century forms of drama with attention to their historical and social context. PREQ: Theatre 142 or instructor permission. (Each year)

THEA 221 Acting

An introduction to the principles and techniques of acting and the analysis of plays and characters. (Each fall)

THEA 244 Movement for Theatre

A discovery of the psychological and physical sources of movement and the development of skills of using movement for artistic expression. (Every other year)

THEA 250 Topics in Theatre

Investigation of topics and issues concerning theatre and performance. PREQ: instructor permission. May be repeated when the topic varies.

THEA 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

THEA 352 Scene Design and Stage Lighting

An introduction to the principles and techniques of scenic design and stage lighting and practice in applying these ideas and skills in design projects. PREQ: Theatre 142 or 143, or instructor permission. (Every other year)

THEA 353 Costume and Make-Up Design

An introduction to the principles and techniques of costume and make-up design for the stage and practice in applying these ideas and skills in design projects. PREQ: Theatre 142 or 143, or instructor permission. (Every other year)

THEA 450 Advanced Topics in Theatre

An investigation of selected topics and issues limited to juniors and seniors. Admission to course is by instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

THEA 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two courses in theatre. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

THEA 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular theatre course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

THEA 471 Directing

A study of the principles of play direction including technical aspects of production and the acting conventions involved in mounting a play for presentation. Practical production experience is required. Open to non-majors only with instructor permission. PREQ: Theatre 142, 143, 221, and Theatre 352 or 353. (Each fall)

THEA 490: Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two courses in theatre and Junior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

THEA 491: Honors Thesis in Theatre

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

THEA 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

THEA 493 Shapers of the Modern Theatre

An examination of the nature and practice of theatre through intensive study of selected practitioners and theorists whose work has significantly influenced modern Western theatre. Open to non-majors only with instructor permission. PREQ: Theatre 142, 143, 221, and Senior standing. (Each fall)

ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Chair: Steve Ramsey

Faculty: David Griffith, Jerry Johnson, Daniel Nuckols, Kevin Simmons, Dan Zhao

Visiting Faculty: Valentyna Katsalap

Adjunct Faculty: Matthew Hanley, Rhonda Richards

Emeriti: Hugh Garnett, Clyde Hall

The economics and business curriculum is structured to cover the efficient and equitable production and allocation of scarce resources to meet competing ends and the stabilization of the macro economy. Coursework and research opportunities will enable the student to study appropriate and timely business and economic theories, methodologies, policies, and techniques.

Degree Programs Offered in Economics and Business Administration

Major in Business Administration
Major in Business Finance
Major in Economics
Major in International Economics and Finance
Minor in Accounting

A **major in business administration** consists of:

Required non-business Courses (3 courses)

____ MATH 120 or SS 120 Statistics
____ ECO 101 Principles of Microeconomics
____ ECO 102 Principles of Macroeconomics

Required Business Courses (3 courses)

____ ACCT 261 Financial Accounting
____ BA 361 Finance
____ BA 495 Strategic Management

Elective Courses (5 courses):

____ BA, ACCT, or ECO Elective
____ BA, ACCT, or ECO Elective
____ BA, ACCT, or ECO elective
____ BA, ACCT, or ECO elective
____ BA, ACCT, or ECO elective – 300 level or higher required

Other Considerations When Planning for this Major:

- Students may not major in both business administration and business finance.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A **major in business finance** consists of:

Required Non-Business Courses (4 courses)

____ MATH 120 or SS 120 Statistics
____ MATH 151 Calculus I
____ ECO 101 Principles of Microeconomics
____ ECO 102 Principles of Macroeconomics

Required Business Courses (6 courses)

____ ACCT 261 Financial Accounting
____ ACCT 262 Managerial Accounting
____ BA 361 Finance
____ BA 362 Investment Management
____ BA 471 International Finance
____ BA 495 Strategic Management

Elective Courses (2 courses)

____ ECO, ACCT, or BA elective

____ ECO, ACCT, or BA elective

Other Considerations for Planning this Major:

- Students may not major in both business administration and business finance.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A major in economics consists of:

Required Non-Economics Courses (2 courses)

____ MATH 120 or SS 120 Statistics

____ MATH 151 Calculus I

Required Economics Courses (4 courses)

____ ECO 101 Principles of Microeconomics

____ ECO 102 Principles of Macroeconomics

____ ECO 301 Intermediate Microeconomics

____ ECO 302 Intermediate Macroeconomics

Elective Courses (4 courses)

____ ECO elective

____ ECO elective

____ ECO elective – 300 level or higher

____ ECO elective – 300 level or higher

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A major in international economics and finance consists of:

Required non-International Economics and Finance Courses (4 courses)

____ MATH 120 or SS 120 Statistics

____ MATH 151 Calculus I

____ Language 236

____ Semester Abroad

Required International Economics and Finance Courses (6 courses)

____ ECO 101 Principles of Microeconomics

____ ECO 102 Principles of Macroeconomics

____ ECO 301 Intermediate Microeconomics

____ ECO 302 Intermediate Macroeconomics

____ ACCT 261 Financial Accounting

____ BA 361 Finance

____ BA 471 International Finance

Electives (2 courses)

____ ECO 234 Development Economics

____ BA 368 International Business

____ ECO 481 International Trade

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A **minor in accounting** consists of:

Required non-Accounting Courses recommended prior to ACCT 363 (2 courses)

___ MATH 120 or SS 120 Statistics

___ ECO 101 Principles of Microeconomics or ECO 102 Principles of Macroeconomics

Required Accounting Courses (5 courses):

___ ACCT 261 Financial Accounting

___ ACCT 262 Managerial Accounting

___ ACCT 363 Intermediate Accounting I

___ ACCT 364 Intermediate Accounting II

___ ACCT 366 Tax Accounting

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES IN ACCOUNTING

ACCT 250 Topics in Accounting

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

ACCT 261 Financial Accounting

A study of the fundamental concepts of financial accounting, including the measurement, recording, and reporting of financial information. Topics include income measurement, operating cycle, and preparation of financial statements. (Each fall and spring)

ACCT 262 Managerial Accounting

Measures, techniques, and approaches used by organizational decision makers. Accounting and economic concepts of cost are studied in relation to performance measurement and to both long-term and short-term planning and decision making. The analysis of cost data, budgetary controls, and cost-volume-profit relationships are also covered. PREQ: Accounting 261. (Each fall and spring)

ACCT 363 Intermediate Accounting 1

An overview of financial reporting and practice with a focus on how management decisions impact financial statements. The course covers the reporting effects of financing, investing, and operating decisions made by corporate managers, and develops a relatively sophisticated understanding of how these business decisions interact with financial reporting rules and guidelines. This is not a bookkeeping course or a journal entry course. The focus is on the end products of the financial reporting process: income statements, balance sheets, statements of stockholders' equity, and cash flow statements. Students completing this course successfully will have developed many of the competencies needed to pursue an accounting career and/or make in-depth, informed management decisions. PREQ: Accounting 261 (Each fall starting 2015)

ACCT 364 Intermediate Accounting 2

This course is a continuation of Intermediate Accounting I; an in-depth study of accounting transactions, their effect on financial statements, and the impact that management decisions have on financial statements. PREQ: Accounting 363 (Each spring starting 2016)

ACCT 366 Tax Accounting

Introduction to the federal tax laws, the history of the federal income tax, determination of federal income tax base, application of tax rates, and the economic and social implications of taxation. PREQ: Accounting 261. (Each fall)

ACCT 371 Non Profit Accounting

An overview of accounting and financial reporting for a variety of non-profit entities and governmental units. Topics include Financial Reporting Standards; Budgetary Accounting and Controls; Accounting for Capital Assets, Capital Projects, and Debt Service; Accounting for Fiduciary Activities and Trust Funds; Analysis of Financial Performance; and Auditing of the Entity. PREQ: Accounting 261. (Every other year)

ACCT 350 Advanced Topics in Accounting

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

COURSES IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

BA 250 Topics in Business

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

BA 251 Business Law

A study of contracts, negotiable instruments, agency, employment, and property. (Offered on an occasional basis)

BA 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See “On-Campus Learning Opportunities” for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

BA 283 Student Investment Fund Introduction

Students participating in this 1/4 credit class will be observing and assisting the fund management team performing market analyses and making investment decisions for the Student Investment Fund. It is expected that some students taking this course will become part of the fund management team in BA 483 the following year. This course may be repeated for a maximum of 1/2 credit. (Each fall and spring through spring 2015)

BA 350 Advanced Topics in Business

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

BA 352 Organizational Communication

(see Speech 352)

BA 355 Marketing

A broad overview of marketing from a managerial perspective emphasizing marketing strategies, market segmentation, and the marketing mix; includes a critical examination of the meaning of the marketing concept within the current social and cultural environment. PREQ: Accounting 261. (Each year)

BA 360 Industrial/Organizational Psychology

(see Psychology 360)

BA 361 Finance

Managerial finance using basic accounting and algebraic techniques. Topics cover financial decision making including bond and stock valuation, capital budgeting, and capital structure. PREQ: Accounting 261, Economics 101, Social Science 120 or Mathematics 120 or instructor permission. Additionally, Accounting 262 encouraged. (Each fall and spring)

BA 362 Investment Management

A course in understanding and evaluating instruments used in the markets for capital, including stocks, bonds, insurance, and basic options. Includes a lab component responsible for the management of the Todd Williams Student Investment Fund. PREQ: Business Administration 361 or Economics 361 (Each semester starting fall 2015)

BA 368 International Business

Provides students with an analysis of doing business abroad, including various methods of trade ranging from exporting to joint ventures; evaluates how cultural, economic, environmental, legal, political, and sociological differences between countries impact the performance of U.S. multinationals; also integrates management, marketing, accounting, and finance into the practice of international business. PREQ: Accounting 261 and Economics 102 (Each fall)

BA 450 Advanced Topics in Business

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

BA 455 Management

Examination and evaluation of current management theories and practices. Topics include motivation, leadership, organizational structure, decision making, and the evolution of management thought. PREQ: Accounting 261, Economics 101 or Economics 102 (Each year)

BA 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

BA 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular business administration course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

BA 471 International Finance

This course considers international monetary environments, theory of international capital movement and banking, foreign exchange markets, foreign exchange exposure, currency swaps, interest rate risk, international monetary policy cooperation, and international banking structure and regulation. Attention will also be given to monetary policy and the relation of money to inflation, interest rates, and business cycles. PREQ: Economics 301 and Business Administration 361. (Each spring)

BA 472 Law and Economics

Examines the interaction of economics, law, and politics in the creation of the modern state. Uses classical and modern economic and political theory to determine the appropriate economic role for government, with particular attention to industrial organization, anti-trust and regulated policies; emphasizes the influence of economics on legal reasoning and applies economic analysis to tort, contract, property, and criminal law. PREQ: Economics 101 and Economics 102. (Offered on an occasional basis)

BA 483 Student Investment Fund Management

Students participating in this class will be making investment decisions regarding an actual portfolio residing within the college's endowment. The necessary research concerning each investment will be conducted by the students and investment decisions must be presented and defended to the Fund's Advisory Board. Prerequisite: Business Administration/Economics 362 or instructor permission. 1/2 course credit units. May be repeated for a total of 1.0 course credit units. Students who desire to participate beyond 2 semesters may do so as a non-credit course. PREQ: Business Administration 362 or Economics 362 (Offered every semester beginning fall 2015)

BA 486 Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management

A course for upper-level business students interested in starting a business. Business fundamentals, such as planning, financing, marketing, and management are explored from a small business perspective using a variety of case studies. Students conduct their own research and develop a comprehensive business plan. PREQ: Accounting 261 and Economics 101 or Economics 102 (Each year)

BA 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

BA 491 Honors Thesis in Business Administration

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

BA 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

BA 495 Strategic Management

Course uses computer simulation and case studies to explore the interrelationships of organizations with their environments, emphasizes integrating the various business functions into a meaningful whole. This is a capstone course for business administration majors. PREQ: Economics 101 and 102, Business Administration 361. Senior status or instructor permission. (Each spring)

COURSES IN ECONOMICS

ECO 101 Principles of Microeconomics

An introductory course in the fundamentals of microeconomics, covering the influence of competitive and non-competitive market structures on efficient resource use. Topics include consumer theory, producer theory, the

behavior of firms, market equilibrium, monopoly, and the role of the government in the economy. (Each fall and spring)

ECO 102 Principles of Macroeconomics

An introductory course in macroeconomic issues such as growth, inflation, unemployment, interest rates, exchange rates, technological progress, and budget deficits; monetary and fiscal policies; and effects on economic policy initiatives on the macroeconomic performance of the United States and other countries. (Each fall and spring)

ECO 234 Development Economics

Explores the theories, process, and impact of economic growth and development in both developed and developing countries. Examines questions such as: Why is economic development important? How is economic development defined? What policies and programs can be used to foster economic development? What are the consequences of economic development for society and the environment? Case studies of economic development plans and outcomes for several countries including the United States of America and countries in Asia, Latin America, and Africa are considered. PREQ: Economics 102. (Each spring)

ECO 242 Natural Resource and Environmental Economics

Applies the methodology and tools of economic analysis to the study of natural resources and the environment. The “economic way of thinking” is used to analyze important issues related to economic development and environmental stewardship. Topics covered include: economically efficient approaches for controlling air and water pollution, methods of valuing environmental attributes, applications of benefit-cost analysis, and issues related to environmental policy-making both domestically and internationally. PREQ: Economics 101 or 102. (Each fall)

ECO 250 Topics in Economics and Business

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

ECO 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ECO 270 Economic History

A comparative and multidisciplinary approach to the study of historical economic changes in Western industrial society, encompassing and integrating perspectives originating from economics, political science, philosophy, sociology and literature. Focus is on the historical development, structure, practices, and performance of economic institutions. Topics include pre-industrial economy, industrialization and development, technological change, evolving theories of the state, trade and demographic transitions, and continued interplay between government, industry, labor and the military. This course also provides students with an introduction to the methodology of economic history and economic reasoning within larger historical debates. PREQ: Economics 101 or 102 or instructor permission. (Every other fall)

ECO 280 Health Economics

This course applies economic analysis to markets for health and medical care. Specific topics covered include the demand for the production of health, delivery of health care, financing, regulation, costs, health insurance, competition, the role of government in the provision of health care, and differences between health care systems in practice in the U.S. and around the world. PREQ: Economics 101 or instructor permission (Each fall)

ECO 283 Student Investment Fund Introduction

(See BA 283)

ECO 301 Intermediate Microeconomics

The theory of consumer behavior and market demand, and producer behavior and market supply; price and output under competitive and imperfectly competitive markets in the short and long run; consequences of market structures for allocative efficiency and distributive equity. PREQ: Economics 101 and Economics 102 and Mathematics 151. (Each fall and spring)

ECO 302 Intermediate Macroeconomics

A study of the determinants of national income, employment, and prices that contrasts the Keynesian model with the quantity theory of money and neo-classical approaches, compares the effectiveness of monetary and fiscal policies at high and low income, and the differential consequences of these policies for economic stability and growth. Attention is given to current policy issues and to the history and development of economic thought. PREQ: Economics 101 and 102 and Mathematics 151. (Each fall)

ECO 341 Urban and Regional Economics

A course that explores the socioeconomic aspects of why and how cities exist, with emphasis on the forces that shape the formation, location, size and function of an urban area. Topics include urban economic history, theories of urban growth patterns, population characteristics, the economic decline of central cities, and policy issues addressed by local governments, including land use and zoning, housing and segregation, labor markets and poverty, homelessness, education, crime and transportation. PREQ: Economics 101 and 102. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ECO 350 Advanced Topics in Economics and Business

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

ECO 361 Finance

(see Business Administration 361)

ECO 362

(see Business Administration 362)

ECO 368 International Business

(See Business Administration 368)

ECO 371 Econometrics

This course introduces students to the techniques necessary to perform empirical economic research. Topics to be covered include multivariate regression, model diagnostics, and the interpretation of regression results. Students will learn how to use SAS to perform data analysis. PREQ: Mathematics 120 or Social Science 120, and Mathematics 151. (Each fall)

ECO 401 Advanced Microeconomics

The purpose of this class is to provide students planning to attend graduate school a deeper examination of microeconomic theory. Topics covered include theory of consumer choice and production theory in a competitive environment. Presentation of the material relies heavily on mathematics. PREQ: Economics 301. (Every other spring)

ECO 450 Advanced Topics in Economics and Business

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

ECO 458 Monetary Institutions and Policy

This course is an examination of the monetary and central banking system and its relation to the operation of the economy. The nature and functions of money, the functions and instruments of the Federal Reserve System, strategies and effectiveness of central banking, and the determinants of interest rates and the money supply are all examined. Special attention is given to both theoretical models of money demand and supply. PREQ: Economics 302. (Offered on an occasional basis.)

ECO 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ECO 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

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ECO 471 International Finance

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ECO 473 Public Finance

Explores how the taxation and expenditure policies of the government affect the welfare of citizens, with an emphasis on the United States federal government. Examines the motivations behind government participation in the economy (public goods, externalities, efficiency, and equity), explores how the government makes decisions on where it will allocate its available resources, and considers both theoretical and empirical issues related to the design and impact of government taxation policies. The economic impact of the current United States income tax system is examined, and possible alternatives are considered. PREQ: Economics 101 and Economics 102. (Offered on an occasional basis.)

ECO 474 Labor Economics

The study of human resources in the American economy, including an examination of such issues as worker training, education, productivity, discrimination, unemployment, market structures, wages, and public policy. PREQ: Economics 301. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ECO 481 International Trade and Policy

The study of the gains from free trade resulting from differences in comparative costs under barter, flexible exchange rates, and a gold standard payments system; the differential consequences of import and export quotas, tariffs, and subsidies on economic welfare and income distribution; the effects of various monetary and fiscal policy combinations on the structure of the balance of payments and intergenerational equity; and an evaluation of current United States' policies and institutions. PREQ: Economics 301. (Each spring)

ECO 483 Student Investment Fund Management

(see Business Administration 483)

ECO 485 The History of Economic Thought

A systematic survey of the evolution of economic theory and methodology from ancient times through the 20th century. Attention given to the intellectual and historical background of both mainstream (orthodox) economics and the historical reaction against the mainstream (heterodox) economics. Emphasis also placed on how the field of economics is related to other areas in the sciences, social sciences, and the humanities. PREQ: Economics 101 and Economics 102. (Every other spring)

ECO 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ECO 491 Honors Thesis in Economics

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ECO 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ECO 493 Seminar in Economics and Business

The study of significant contemporary problems in economics and business. May be repeated when topic varies.

ENGLISH

Chair: Greg Kinzer

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The discipline of English literature analyzes and constructs texts. From at least the Middle Ages to the present, in every part of the world, literature has been a moral and political act that no culture could do without. The stories, fictional and non-fictional, that we tell about ourselves in forms as diverse as poems, plays, and novels not only satisfy this hunger for significant aesthetic experience, the need to find beauty and sublimity in the

world around us; they also enable us to find purpose and meaning in our own lives and adapt to ever-changing environments. To analyze and construct texts from a perspective that takes stock of historical and geopolitical change is nothing less than to become global citizens by constructing selves and communities in an increasingly diverse world.

The English curriculum thus introduces students to a wide range of literatures from different times and places, through which they experience the pleasures of reading as well as the eloquence and power of language and story. The curriculum also introduces students to the historical and cultural traditions that inform the discipline and to basic critical principles of reading and interpretation, fostering students' ability to argue critically and to research and write effectively.

Degree Plans Offered in English

Major in English

Minor in English

Major in English with an Emphasis in Creative Writing Studies

Minor in Creative Writing Studies

A **major in English** consists of:

Introduction to Literature Requirement (1 course; courses offered each semester)

_____ ENG 121 Interpreting Literature

250 to 255 Course Requirement (1 course; courses offered each semester)

_____ ENG 250 Topics in Literature

_____ ENG 251 Ethnic Literatures

_____ ENG 252 Literature and Other Disciplines

_____ ENG 253 Literature and Gender

_____ ENG 255 World Literatures

250 to 258 Course Requirement (1 course; courses offered each semester)

_____ ENG 250 Topics in Literature

_____ ENG 251 Ethnic Literatures

_____ ENG 252 Literature and Other Disciplines

_____ ENG 253 Literature and Gender

_____ ENG 255 World Literatures

_____ ENG 256 Creative Writing: Fiction Writing

_____ ENG 257 Creative Writing: Poetry

_____ ENG 258 Literary Journalism

Literary Theory and Criticism Requirement (1 course; generally offered each spring)

_____ ENG 285 Literary Theory and Criticism

_____ ENG 286 Form and Theory of Writing

Historical Periods Requirement (1 course from each of the four following groups) *

Group 1) 8th- through 16th-Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 331 Studies in Medieval British Literature

_____ ENG 332 Studies in 16th-Century British Literature

Group 2) 17th- through 18th-Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 341 Studies in 17th-Century British Literature

_____ ENG 342 Studies in 18th-Century British Literature

Group 3) 19th- Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 351 Studies in British Romantic Literature

_____ ENG 352 Studies in British Victorian Literature

_____ ENG 353 Studies in American Literature to 1900

_____ ENG 354 Studies in Colonial Literatures

Group 4) 20th- through 21st-Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 361 Studies in British Literature of the 20th Century

_____ ENG 363 Studies in American Literature from 1900 to the Present

_____ ENG 364 Studies in Postcolonial Literatures

* One 250-255-level course may be substituted for a period course when the intermediate course is so designated; “so designated” means that the published course description explicitly mentions such a substitution.

Geographical Distribution Requirement (1 course from each of the following; the same course can also count toward the historical period requirements)

American Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 353 Studies in American Literature to 1900

_____ ENG 363 Studies in American Literature from 1900 to the Present

British Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 331 Studies in Medieval British Literature

_____ ENG 332 Studies in 16th-Century British Literature

_____ ENG 341 Studies in 17th-Century British Literature

_____ ENG 342 Studies in 18th-Century British Literature

_____ ENG 351 Studies in British Romantic Literature

_____ ENG 352 Studies in British Victorian Literature

_____ ENG 361 Studies in British Literature of the 20th Century

Postcolonial and/or World Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 354 Studies in Colonial Literatures

_____ ENG 364 Studies in Postcolonial Literatures

Capstone Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ ENG 430 Literary Theory

_____ ENG 431 Major Authors

_____ ENG 432 Research and Writing

_____ ENG 450 Topics in Literature

_____ ENG 460 Advanced Directed Study

_____ ENG 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

_____ ENG 490 Independent Study

_____ ENG 491 English Honors Thesis

_____ ENG 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Total Credits Requirement (9-11 courses)

A **minor in English** consists of:

Introduction to Literature Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ ENG 121 Interpreting Literature

English Elective One (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ Any ENG courses numbered 136 and higher

English Elective Two (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ Any ENG courses numbered 136 and higher

English Elective Three (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ Any ENG courses numbered 136 and higher

English Elective Four (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ Any ENG courses numbered 136 and higher

Total Credit Requirement (5 courses)

A **major in English with an emphasis in creative writing studies** consists of:

Introduction to Creative Writing Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ ENG 136 Introduction to Creative Writing

Introduction to Literature Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ ENG 121 Interpreting Literature

Creative Writing Requirement (2 courses in different genres; offered each semester)

_____ ENG 256 Creative Writing: Fiction Writing

_____ ENG 257 Creative Writing: Poetry

_____ ENG 258 Literary Journalism

_____ MEDA 450 Screen Writing (occasional basis only)

_____ MEDA 450 Script Writing (occasional basis only)

_____ Approved course with a substantial creative writing component from another department

Form and Theory of Writing Requirement (1 course; offered every other year)

_____ ENG 286 Form and Theory of Writing

Historical Periods Requirement (1 course from three of the four following groups)*

Group 1) 8th- through 16th-Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 331 Studies in Medieval British Literature

_____ ENG 332 Studies in 16th-Century British Literature

Group 2) 17th- through 18th-Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

_____ ENG 341 Studies in 17th-Century British Literature

_____ ENG 342 Studies in 18th-Century British Literature

Group 3) 19th-Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

- _____ ENG 351 Studies in British Romantic Literature
- _____ ENG 352 Studies in British Victorian Literature
- _____ ENG 353 Studies in American Literature to 1900
- _____ ENG 354 Studies in Colonial Literatures

Group 4) 20th- through 21st- Century Literature Requirement (1 course; once a year)

- _____ ENG 361 Studies in British Literature of the 20th Century
- _____ ENG 363 Studies in American Literature from 1900 to the Present
- _____ ENG 364 Studies in Postcolonial Literatures

* One 250-255-level course may be substituted for a period course when the intermediate course is so designated; “so designated” means that the published course description explicitly mentions such a substitution.

Capstone Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

- _____ ENG 430 Literary Theory
- _____ ENG 431 Major Authors
- _____ ENG 432 Research and Writing
- _____ ENG 450 Topics in Literature
- _____ ENG 460 Advanced Directed Study
- _____ ENG 464 Teaching/Learning Participation
- _____ ENG 490 Independent Study
- _____ ENG 491 English Honors Thesis
- _____ ENG 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A **minor in creative writing studies** consists of:

Introduction to Creative Writing Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

- _____ ENG 136 Introduction to Creative Writing

Creative Writing Requirement (2 courses in different genres; offered each semester)

- _____ ENG 256 Creative Writing: Fiction Writing
- _____ ENG 257 Creative Writing: Poetry
- _____ ENG 258 Literary Journalism
- _____ MEDA 450 Screen Writing (occasional basis only)
- _____ MEDA 450 Script Writing (occasional basis only)
- _____ Approved course with a substantial creative writing component from another department

Literature Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

- _____ ENG 250 Topics in Literature
- _____ ENG 251 Ethnic Literatures
- _____ ENG 252 Literature and Other Disciplines
- _____ ENG 253 Literature and Gender
- _____ ENG 255 World Literatures
- _____ Any ENG course numbered in the 300s
- _____ ENG 430 Literary Theory
- _____ ENG 431 Major Authors
- _____ ENG 450 Topics in Literature

Elective in Literature or Creative Writing Studies Requirement (1 course; offered each semester)

_____ Any ENG course, including ENG 121 (a pre-requisite for 300 level ENG courses), not already counted toward the minor

_____ Approved course with a substantial literary or creative writing component from another department not already counted toward the minor

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

The English Department awards elective credit for a score of 4 or higher on both English Advanced Placement tests (“Composition and Rhetoric” and “Composition and Literature”), but Advanced Placement credit does not satisfy prerequisites for English courses, nor does it count toward requirements of the major or minor.

COURSES

ENG 114 Expository Writing

An Introduction to academic writing at the college level, with attention to critical thinking, thesis construction, purpose, audience, rhetorical occasion, editing, and revision. A series of readings both introduces students to the ways texts are put together and provides material for essay writing. (Usually each fall and spring)

ENG 121 Interpreting Literature

An introduction to the discipline of literary study, focusing on how to find meanings in texts and how to argue for those meanings both orally and in writing. Possible emphases include the identification of themes, images, metaphors, myths, various types of motifs, irony, rhetorical patterns, larger structures of organization, and why these matter. Though topics, texts, and genre emphasis might vary from section to section, all sections will include work with prose narrative and poetry and will emphasize close reading, detailed analysis, and effective critical writing. (Each fall and spring)

ENG 136 Introduction to Creative Writing

An introductory workshop focusing on the elements and techniques of creative writing, emphasizing both poetry and prose. (Each fall and spring)

ENG 214 Advanced Expository Writing

An advanced course in expository writing. Students will gain a better understanding of the choices and techniques involved in each stage of the writing process, including pre-writing, drafting, and editing. PREQ: English 114 or a score of 4 or 5 on the Language Advanced Placement exam. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 250 Topics in Literature

A study of various selected topics. Title and emphasis announced in term schedule of courses. Probable topics include courses focused on various genres (for example, melodrama, detective fiction), courses focused on particular themes (for example, World War I literature, Gnostics), and courses focused on particular authors (for example, Shakespeare). May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 251 Ethnic Literatures

A variety of courses focused on interconnections between ethnicity, literature, and cultural history. Possible topics include Native American literatures; Chicano/a literatures; Asian American literatures; African American literatures; Jewish literatures; multi-ethnic literatures; and non-American ethnic literatures. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 252 Literature and Other Disciplines

A variety of courses exploring cross-disciplinary approaches to literature. Possible topics include literature and medicine; literature and psychology; literature and environmental studies; literature and cultural studies; literature and religion; literature and painting; literature and music; literature and film; literature and economics; and literature and science. Portions of this course may be team taught or supplemented by guest lecturers. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 253 Literature and Gender

A variety of courses focused on issues of sex and gender in literature. Topics include women's literature, gender/genre, bodies of enlightenment, gay and lesbian writers, and postcolonial women writers. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 255 World Literatures

A variety of courses focused on national literatures outside of America and Britain, literatures in translation, or transnational literatures of a given moment. Topics include Hispanic literatures, Russian literatures, African literatures, Indian literatures, Asian literatures, Francophone literatures, and 20th-century comparative world literatures. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 256 Creative Writing: Fiction Writing

A workshop course involving the writing of fictional narratives. In order to enhance students' awareness of language and of various narrative (storytelling) strategies, the course also involves reading and discussing published fiction narratives. Each student will prepare a portfolio of his or her work for the term. PREQ: English 136 or instructor permission. (At least once each year, usually fall)

ENG 257 Creative Writing: Poetry

A workshop course in poetry writing. The course also involves reading and discussing published poetry and essays on poetics. Each student will prepare a portfolio of his or her work for the term. PREQ: English 136 or instructor permission. (At least once each year, usually spring)

ENG 258 Literary Journalism

"Literary journalism" is journalism of the highest order. Intensely interesting, popular writing—non-fictional, issue-centric, topical, analytic, sociopolitical—it is aimed at an intelligent and informed audience. Students will write literary journalistic articles and study examples of literary journalism. Each student will prepare a portfolio of his or her work for the term. PREQ: English 136 and instructor permission. (Alternate years, usually fall)

ENG 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ENG 285 Literary Theory and Criticism

An introduction to theories and methods of literary criticism, emphasizing different kinds of approaches to literary interpretation, as well as controversies and new currents within the study of literature, with attention to secondary critical texts and the value and methods of literary studies. PREQ: English 121.

ENG 286 Form and Theory of Writing

A study of the form and theory of poetry, fiction, and other genres from the standpoint of their creation, examining topics such as poetic theory, narrative theory, aesthetic theory, and theory of literary production.

While not a writing workshop, the course is designed for students interested in creative writing. PREQ: English 121 or English 136.

ENG 331 Studies in Medieval British Literature

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above, frequently with an emphasis on Chaucer. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies.

ENG 332 Studies in 16th-Century British Literature

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include Renaissance Lyric Poetry; The Back-talk of Renaissance Popular Drama; and Shakespeare and His Contemporaries. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies.

ENG 341 Studies in 17th-Century British Literature

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include Milton; Restoration Drama; Gender, Emotion, and Revolution; and Writing the English Revolution. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Most falls)

ENG 342 Studies in 18th-Century British Literature

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include Sense and Sensibility; 18th-Century Drama; and the Gothic. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Most springs)

ENG 350 Topics in Literature

A study of various selected topics. Title and emphasis announced in term schedule of courses. Probable topics include courses focused on various genres, courses focused on particular themes, and courses focused on particular authors. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 351 Studies in British Romantic Literature

A variety of courses focusing on selections from British literature from about 1789 to about 1837, sometimes including continental or colonial works. Courses may be structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural contexts, historical development, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include The Romantic Lyric; Romanticism and Revolution; The Younger Romantics; and Lunatics, Lovers, and Poets. May be repeated once when topic varies. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Alternate years)

ENG 352 Studies in British Victorian Literature

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include Yesterday and Today; Patterns and Paradoxes; and Victorian Vocations. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Alternate years)

ENG 353 Studies in American Literature to 1900

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include Romanticism; Realism; and Complicating Gender and

Genre. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Each fall)

ENG 354 Studies in Colonial Literatures

A variety of courses focused on colonial and neo-colonial writing, especially as it intersects with imperialism, oppression, politics, nationalism, Westernization, and globalization. Possible courses include Oppression and Africa; Historical Conversations from Inside and Outside; Race and Colonialism in World Literatures Before 1900; and The Rise of Empire and its Respondents. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 361 Studies in British Literature of the 20th Century

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include Modern British Poetry or Modernism and the British Empire. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 363 Studies in American Literature from 1900 to the Present

A variety of courses structured around authors, genres, themes, cultural and historical developments, or some combination of the above. Possible courses include First Wave Modernism; Lyric Politics; and Investigative Poetry. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Each year, normally spring)

ENG 364 Studies in Postcolonial Literatures

A variety of courses focused on colonial, neo-colonial, and post-colonial writing, especially as it intersects with imperialism, oppression, politics, nationalism, Westernization, and globalization. Possible courses include Infanticide, Child Abuse, Postcolonialism; Postcolonialism and the Environment; and Food and Postcolonialism. PREQ: English 121 and one course from the English 250-255 range, or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Each year, normally fall)

ENG 430 Literary Theory

A variety of courses designed to introduce issues of contemporary movements in critical theory. These courses have the goal of helping students to become conversant with a range of theoretical ideas and of providing them with some conceptual tools for their thinking, research, and writing about literary and cultural texts. Possible courses include Introduction to Literary Theory; Gender and Theory; Postcolonialism and Theory; and Cultural Studies. PREQ: two 300 level English courses or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 431 Major Authors

An intensive study of works by one or more writers. Possible courses include William Shakespeare, Charles Dickens, and Thomas Hardy. PREQ: two 300 level English courses or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 432 Research and Writing

An advanced research and writing seminar. PREQ: two 300 level English courses or instructor permission. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 450 Topics in Literature

An advanced seminar dealing with a topic in literature or language. Recent or projected topics: Material Body/Material Text; Early Modern Women Playwrights; Romanticism & Revolution. PREQ: two 300 level

English courses or instructor permission. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ENG 460 Advanced Directed Study (Variable course credit)

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two 300 level English courses. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ENG 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular English course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

ENG 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: two 300 level English courses. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ENG 491 Honors Thesis in English

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ENG 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Chair of Environmental Studies Academic Program: Keith Kisselle

Director of the Center for Environmental Studies: Peter Schulze

Director of Thinking Green Campus Awareness: Brad Smucker

Faculty: Mari Elise Ewing

Members of the Steering Committee: Peter Schulze (chair), David Baker, George Diggs, Karánn Durland, Mari Elise Ewing, Steve Goldsmith, Max Grober, Keith Kisselle, Wayne Meyer, Daniel Nuckols, Don Rodgers, Julia Shahid, Brad Smucker, Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan

The Center for Environmental Studies promotes multidisciplinary inquiry of environmental issues and problems through education, research, and outreach programs. These programs are designed to increase scientific knowledge, expand community awareness, and foster greater appreciation for the interdependence of humans

and other species. The center also serves as a catalyst for innovation in support of its educational, business, and community constituencies.

Students who are interested in the environmental studies major or minor are strongly encouraged to consult with Keith Kisselle or Pete Schulze at their earliest convenience. Students also are encouraged to study the Web page of the [environmental studies program](#).

Degree Plans Offered in Environmental Studies

Major in Environmental Studies

Minor in Environmental Studies

A **major in environmental studies** consists of:

Environmental Studies Requirements (2 courses)

_____ ENVS 235 Fundamentals of Environmental Studies* (offered fall and spring)

_____ ENVS 479 Environmental Policy (offered spring)

*usual entry course and meets science lab course requirement

Economics Requirement (2 courses)

_____ ECO 101 Microeconomics or ECO 102 Macroeconomics (Both classes offered in fall and spring; Only one of ECO 101 and ECO 102 may be counted toward the ENVS major)

_____ ECO 242 Natural Resources and Environmental Economics (offered fall)

Philosophy Requirement (1 course)

_____ PHIL 207 Ethics and the Environment (offered Spring of even-numbered years)

_____ PHIL 307 Environmental Philosophy (offered Spring of odd-numbered years; PREQs:

Any PHIL class and ENVS 235)

Natural Science Requirement (1 course)**

_____ ENVS 350 Conservation and Restoration Ecology or BIO 250 Conservation and Restoration Ecology (Fall; PREQs: BIOL 115)

_____ BIO 346 Ecosystem Ecology (Spring; PREQs: BIOL 115, BIOL 116, CHEM 111)

_____ PHY 240 Atmospheric and Environmental Physics (spring, odd-numbered years; PREQs: PHY 111, PHY 112, MATH 151 and MATH 152)

**Courses require prerequisites to enroll.

Electives* (4 courses)**

_____ ANTH 263 Whose Amazon? (offered occasionally)

_____ ENVS 250 Science, Politics and Culture of Food (offered fall)

_____ ENVS 350 Resilient Systems (offered fall; pre-req. ENVS 235)

_____ ENVS 350 The Decision Process (offered spring; pre-req. ENVS 235 and junior or senior)

_____ HIST 250 European Environmental History (offered occasionally)

_____ PHY 101 The Day after Tomorrow: Global Climate and Extreme Weather (offered occasionally)

_____ PSCI 230 OR PSCI 330 Globalization (offered spring; pre-req. of PSCI or ENVS class for 330)

***The academic chair must approve any other courses not in this list of electives.

_____ Three courses at the 300 level or higher throughout the degree plan.

_____ Six courses at the 200 level or higher throughout the degree plan.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- If Environmental Studies 235 will not fit a student's schedule, good alternatives are Environmental Studies 250 Science, Culture and Politics of Food, Political Science 230 Globalization, Philosophy 207 Environmental Ethics, or the following prerequisites for higher level courses: Evolution Biology 115 Evolution, Behavior, and Ecology, Economics 101 Microeconomics, or Economics 102 Macroeconomics.
- Students interested in environmental field studies abroad should consult with the academic chair regarding course substitutions.
- Students considering environmental careers should choose a minor (or second major) that best complements their interests in environmental studies, consider classes not required for the major but recommended for many environmental studies careers, such as Chemistry 111, Chemistry 112, Mathematics 120, Mathematics 151, and writing-intensive courses.
- Students who plan to pursue further environmental study or an environmental career after graduation are strongly encouraged to consult with the Chair of the Environmental Studies Academic Program (kkisselle@austincollege.edu) or the Director of the Center for Environmental Studies (pschulze@austincollege.edu) as soon as possible.

Total Credits Requirement (10 courses)

A **minor in environmental studies** consists of:

Environmental Studies Requirements (2 courses)

_____ ENVS 235 Fundamentals of Environmental Studies (offered fall and spring)

_____ ENVS 479 Environmental Policy (offered spring)

Electives (3 courses selected from at least two different department/program designations, e.g. PHIL, ENVS, and two different college divisions, e.g., social sciences, natural sciences, humanities)

Social Sciences

_____ ANTH 240 Whose Amazon? (offered occasionally)

_____ ENVS 250 Science, Politics and Culture of Food (offered fall)

_____ ENVS 350 Resilient Systems (offered fall; PREQs: ENVS 235)

_____ ENVS 350 The Decision Process (offered spring; PREQs: ENVS 235 and junior or senior)

_____ ECO 242 Natural Resources and Environmental Economics (offered fall; PREQs: ECO 101 OR ECON 102)

_____ PSCI 230 or PSCI 330 Globalization (offered spring)

_____ PSY 222 Environmental Psychology (usually offered spring)

Natural Sciences

_____ BIOL 346 Ecosystem Ecology (Offered spring; PREQs: BIO 115, CHEM 111, BIO 116)

_____ ENVS 350 Conservation and Restoration Ecology or BIO 250 Conservation and

Restoration Ecology (Fall; PREQs: BIOL 115)

PHY 240 Atmospheric and Environmental Physics (Offered every other spring; PREQs: MATH 151, MATH 152, PHY 106, PHY 107)

Humanities

PHIL 207 Ethics and the Environment (offered spring of even-numbered years)

PHIL 307 Environmental Philosophy (offered spring of odd-numbered years;

PREQs: Any PHIL class and ENVS 235)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Pre-approval from the academic chair is required to substitute any course not listed.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

ENVS 235 Fundamentals of Environmental Studies

An introduction to major environmental issues that includes fundamental concepts of environmental studies, the roots of environmental problems, options for responding to environmental problems, and challenges of achieving sustainability. Students write proposals for ways to reduce the college's environmental impact. (Usually each fall and spring)

ENVS 250 Topics in Environmental Studies

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

ENVS 230, 330 Globalization

This course provides an overview of the force we call globalization. Readings, lectures, and class discussions address different definitions and evaluation of globalization as well as the economic, political, social, cultural, and environmental impacts of global integration. Other topics covered include the structure, goals, and accountability of international organizations such as the United Nations, the World Trade Organization, the International Monetary Fund, and the World Bank, as well as the role of non-governmental actors in promoting or opposing globalization and in working to ensure the protection of social and environmental goals. Students who take the course at the 330 level are required to complete an extra research paper. PREQ: None for Environmental Studies 230, 1 environmental studies course for 330. (Each spring)

ENVS 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ENVS 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Environmental Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

ENVS 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more

information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ENVS 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular environmental studies course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

ENVS 479 Environmental Policy

This course builds upon Environmental Studies 235 and incorporates key ideas from ecology, economics, ethics, and other disciplines in a study of options for responding to environmental issues. The course examines both theoretical and actual approaches to solving or preventing environmental problems. Readings cover the history of environmental issues, leading ideas for more effective environmental policy, the system of laws and regulations in the United States and their development, and the challenge of international environmental agreements. PREQ: Junior or Senior status and completion of Environmental Studies 235 with a grade of at least C, or instructor permission. (Usually each spring)

ENVS 490 Independent Study

An experiential learning activity to be approved by the Environmental Studies Steering Committee. Possible project areas include basic research, off-campus internships, and service projects. PREQ: Junior or Senior status with preference for students who have completed their Junior year.

ENVS 491 Honors Thesis in Environmental Studies

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ENVS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

EXERCISE AND SPORT SCIENCE

Chair: David Norman

Adjunct Faculty: Kristina Corona, Loren Dawson, Michelle Filander, Teresa Hall, Mark Hudson, Amanda Parsley, Mike Silva, Andrea Vangoss, Rodney Wecker, Jacob Willrich, Timothy Yourison

The exercise and sport science program provides students in a liberal arts environment the opportunity to combine ESS courses with other academic disciplines to develop interdisciplinary degrees. The ESS minor prepares students for a career in teaching and coaching at the high school and elementary levels. The program promotes a life-long appreciation for wellness and physical activity.

Through the interdisciplinary major option students may prepare for a career that combines a course of study in exercise and sport science with another field such as business administration or biology. The department chair should be consulted in the design of an interdisciplinary program.

Degree Plans Offered in Exercise and Sport Science

Minor in Exercise and Sport Science

Austin College Teaching Program Certification Track

A minor in exercise and sport science consists of:

Required Courses (2 courses)

_____ ESS 121 Introduction to Exercise and Sport Science

_____ ESS 495 Senior Conference

Electives (3 courses)

_____ ESS any level

_____ ESS any level

_____ ESS 300 level or higher

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

Austin Teacher Program Requirements for EC-12 Teaching Certification

_____ ESS 115 Basic First Aid

_____ ESS 121 Introduction to Exercise and Sports Science

_____ ESS 353 Teaching Movement Education in the Elementary School

_____ ESS 354 Teaching Methods in the Secondary School

_____ ESS 363 Energy, Nutrition, and Human Performance

_____ ESS 462 Biomechanics

_____ ESS 495 Senior Conference

Total Credits Requirement (7 courses)

COURSES

ESS 115 Basic First Aid Techniques (1/2 course credit unit)

Designed to prepare students to make appropriate decisions regarding first aid care and to action those decisions in an emergency situation before medical help arrives. The course provides opportunities for Community First Aid and Safety Certification and the CPR Professional Rescuer Certification. Seven-week course. (Each spring)

ESS 121 Introduction to Exercise and Sport Science

An introduction and presentation of the basic facts and beliefs concerning the field of exercise and sport science (historically known as physical education). Attention is focused on professional opportunities in the field of exercise and sport science. (Fall and spring)

ESS 241 Coaching Team Sports

A course that covers the coaching philosophy and techniques involved in specific team sports. Football, basketball, volleyball, soccer, and baseball. Seven-week course. 1/2 course credit units. May be repeated when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ESS 242 Current Issues in Exercise and Sport Science

An opportunity to identify and explore current issues in exercise and sport science, which may include

physiological, psychological, and sociological implications. Supporting data for opposing views are an integral part of the decision-making process. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ESS 245 Principles of Coaching Sports

An overview intended to explore the foundations of coaching for the professional. This course will review the philosophy and methods involved in coaching sports at all levels. Topics include coaching roles and responsibilities, risk management, principles of training, skill assessment, the role of sportsmanship, and development of leadership in sport. Students will also develop a personal coaching philosophy as part of this course. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ESS 244 Personal Health

This course is designed to provide relevant information that will allow students to make wise decisions regarding their health throughout their lifetime. Topics include psychological health and stress management; nutrition, fitness, and weight management; personal relationships and human sexuality; protecting against diseases; aging, death and dying; and consumerism and environmental health. (Usually each fall)

ESS 250 Intermediate Topics in Exercise and Sport Science

Specialized topics offered on an occasional basis. Possible topics include personal growth through physical challenge, women in sports, modern Olympics, ethics in coaching, and personal health. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. May be repeated when topic varies.

ESS 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See “On-Campus Learning Opportunities” for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ESS 353 Teaching Movement Education in the Elementary School

Construction of movement tasks in rhythm and game skill movement for children in grades K-6. PREQ: Exercise and Sport Science 121 or Education 225. (Each spring)

ESS 354 Teaching Methods in the Secondary School

A study of the skills and techniques required to design and implement effective instructional programs in physical education at the secondary school level. PREQ: Exercise and Sport Science 121 or Education 225 (Each fall)

ESS 363 Energy, Nutrition, and Human Performance

A multi-dimensional study of energy, nutrition, and human performance, dealing with the relationship between food nutrients, physiological, and metabolic systems. Study will include physiological systems of energy, delivery, and utilization and the role of exercise in cardiovascular health and aging. PREQ: instructor permission (Each fall)

ESS 450 Advanced Topics in Exercise and Sport Science

A critical examination of physical perspectives. This course can serve to provide an in-depth study of selected topics such as biomechanics, analysis of sport skills, advanced athletic training, and other subjects involving sport science and human performance. May be repeated when topic varies.

ESS 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more

information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ESS 462 Biomechanics

A study of the fundamental movements of the human body to determine the actions and motion of the body in physical activity and the development of body control. Special emphasis is placed on the correction or identification of common physical deviations and analysis of movement patterns. PREQ: Exercise and Sport Science 363. (Each spring)

ESS 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular Exercise and Sport Science course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

ESS 471 Administration of Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation

Organizing and administering programs in physical education, athletics, and recreation. Special attention is given to personnel and program administration in both the highly competitive and the recreational context. PREQ: Exercise and Sport Science major or minors only. (Offered on an occasional basis)

ESS 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ESS 491 Honors Thesis in Exercise and Sport Science

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ESS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ESS 495 Senior Conference

PREQ: Senior exercise and sport science major or minors only. (Each spring)

ESS 562 Current Trends in Elementary and Secondary Exercise and Sport Science

Students will investigate a variety of concerns in physical education which will include trends in methodology, curriculum design, student evaluations, teacher evaluation, extra-curricular opportunities, and identification of concerns that could affect physical education and athletics in the future. (For Master's of Arts in Teaching Program only).

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Austin College believes that physical fitness and an understanding of a healthy lifestyle should be an integral part of the overall educational experience. This requirement for graduation may be met by participation in a

lifetime sports class, approved college transfer or for non-academic credit by successful participation in an intercollegiate varsity sport.

LS 010 Intercollegiate Varsity Athletics

Successful participation in a varsity athletic team sport will fulfill the physical fitness requirement. Participants will not receive academic credit. Austin College offers varsity sports in men and women's soccer, men and women's swimming and diving, men and women's tennis, men and women's basketball, women's volleyball, football, baseball, and softball. Zero course credit.

LS 115 Lifetime Sports

Basic physical skills development in a variety of selected sports activities. Sample activities: aerobic conditioning, aerobic dance, golf, racquet sports, swimming, and strength training. (Graded on S/D/U basis). May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit when content varies. 1/4 course credit unit. (Each fall and spring)

GENDER STUDIES

Director: Todd Penner

Faculty: Karla McCain, Roger Platizky, Jeremy Posadas, Erin Copple Smith, Randi Tanglen, Carolyn Vickrey

The gender studies program provides students with the tools to examine and interrogate gender both as a social construct and as a lived reality. Using comparative, competing, and cross-disciplinary perspectives, students are invited to analyze gender performance, sexuality, and sex-identification as these are situated in a variety of personal, social, cultural, and historical contexts. Intersections with race, class, age, ethnicity, and national identity are often explored in the process.

Degree Plans Offered in Gender Studies

Minor in Gender Studies

A student may **major in gender studies** by submitting a proposal for a personally designed interdisciplinary major (see the director for more information). Disciplinary courses approved for gender studies are listed collectively in the course schedule each term.

A **minor in gender studies** consists of:

Required Course (1 course)

___ GNDR 120

Multidisciplinary Courses (5 courses)

___ Course Prefix and Number _____ Any level
___ Course Prefix and Number _____ Any level
___ Course Prefix and Number _____ 200 level or higher
___ Course Prefix and Number _____ 200 level or higher
___ Course Prefix and Number _____ 300 level or higher

___ Three different disciplines are represented in the courses above.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Up to two courses above can be from January term
- Utilize “GS” search criteria in WebHopper to find relevant courses or consult with program faculty.

Total Credits Requirement (6 courses)**COURSES****GNDR 120 Introduction to Gender Studies**

An exploration of the multi-faceted nature of gender, sex, and sexuality as these intersect with societal, cultural, historical, scientific, and intellectual facets of human life and experience. Drawing on methods from the humanities, sciences, and social sciences, we seek to gain an appreciation for the ways in which humans have constructed the body over time, how different kinds of gender and sex performances are viewed from both dominant cultural perspectives and from those on the periphery, and how these perceptions are deeply integrated into the larger societal fabrics that make up our daily lives. (Each fall)

GNDR 201 Women and Science

How have women contributed to science? Do women (or feminists) do science differently, and if so how? Why are women underrepresented in science? How can women, both personally and institutionally, be more successful in science? This course will explore various answers to these questions from multidisciplinary perspectives including psychology, sociology, history, philosophy, and literature. While this course will examine the past and present status of women in mathematics, physics, chemistry, and biology, technical knowledge of these fields is not necessary for the course.

GNDR 250 Topics in Gender Studies

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

GNDR 253 Literature and Gender

A variety of courses focused on issues of sex and gender in literature. Topics include women’s literature, gender/genre, bodies of enlightenment, gay and lesbian writers, and postcolonial women writers. May be repeated once when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis.)

GNDR 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman JanTerm or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GNDR 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Gender Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

GNDR 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GNDR 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GNDR 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GENERAL STUDIES

This program involves interdisciplinary study that includes material that crosses departmental and divisional lines. Occasionally, the program involves fields not regularly offered at the college. A degree plan is not associated with the program.

GS 201 Interdisciplinary Topics

Study abroad experience that is not offered in the language of the country.

GS 230 Post-Internship Reflection

This course follows upon the pre-internship retreat and the successful completion of the internship. It is intended to provide structured time and resources for vocational reflection upon the internship experience. Through readings, lectures, outside speakers, discussions, and written reflections, different voices are brought to bear on the various ways in which work and a meaningful life intersect. The course will draw upon cultural, historical, philosophical, psychological, and religious perspectives in the process of making significant life choices (As needed).

GS 250 Intermediate Topics in General Studies

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

GS 260 Intermediate Directed Study in General Studies

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman JanTerm or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GS 350 Advanced Topics in General Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

GS 460 Advanced Directed Study in General Studies

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GS 490 Independent Study in General Studies

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GLOBAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND SOCIETY

Co-Directors: Daniel Nuckols and Donald Salisbury

There is a complex relationship between science and society, and this relationship is global in scope. The Global Science, Technology, and Society Program explores this relationship both in contemporary societies and from an historical perspective. The goals of the minor are to:

1. Understand the practice and philosophy of science
2. Explore how societal and historical forces shape, and are shaped, by science, its boundaries, its implementation, and its use
3. Examine ethical questions about the use of science and technology
4. Explore multicultural and international approaches to science in a global context, including how differences of culture, class, gender, and ethnicity affect how science is practiced

The minor in global science, technology, and society is designed to foster awareness of the interrelationship of global culture and the changing nature of scientific knowledge and technology. The quest for scientific knowledge is universal, yet both the advances in knowledge and the implementation of technologies can be properly understood only in their multicultural context. Historical and contemporary studies of the relationship between science and society help to moderate our parochial conceits. Such studies create conditions that allow international problems like global warming, pandemic disease, secure telecommunications, militarization of space, economic inequality, and environmental degradation to be addressed in true cooperative and informed spirit.

A minor in global science, technology, and society consists of:

Required Course (1 course)

_____ GSTS 250 Intermediate Topics in Global Science, Technology, and Society

Global Perspective (1 course)

_____ Course Prefix and Number: _____

Electives (3 courses)

- _____ ANTH 263 Whose Amazon?
- _____ BIOL 101 Influenza – From 1918 until 2009
- _____ BIOL 101 Microbes and Society
- _____ CHEM 101 Women and Science
- _____ BIOL 246 Eukaryotic Pathogens
- _____ ECO 234 Economic Development
- _____ ECO 270 Economic History
- _____ ECO 485 History of Economic Thought
- _____ ENG 252 Literature and Science
- _____ ENVS 235 Introduction to Environmental Studies

_____ **ENVS 230/330** Globalization
_____ **ENVS 479** Environmental Policy
_____ **PHIL 205** Ethics
_____ **PHIL 207** Environment Philosophy
_____ **PHIL 209** Ethics and Medicine
_____ **PHIL 306** Knowledge and Reality
_____ **PHIL 307** Environmental Philosophy
_____ **PHIL 310** Mind and Language
_____ **PHY 101** The Day After Tomorrow (Global Climate and Extreme Weather)
_____ **PSCI 240** Introduction to Asian Politics
_____ **PSCI 430** International Relations Theory
_____ **PSY 214** Psychopharmacology
_____ **PSY 340** Cultural Psychology
_____ **REL 220** Illness, Medicine, and Healing in Asian Religions
_____ **SCI 201** All sections
_____ **SCI 202** Axioms and Atoms

_____ **GSTS-related International Experience and Reflections Presentation**

Other Considerations When Planning for this Minor:

- Other courses may be appropriate and relevant to students' specific interests and may be included with director's approval.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

GSTS 250 Intermediate Topics in Global Science, Technology, and Society

Interdisciplinary subjects dealing with the interrelationship of global culture and the changing nature of science and technology. May be repeated when topics vary. No prerequisites. (Each spring)

GSTS 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GSTS 350,450 Advanced Topics in Global Science, Technology, and Society

Interdisciplinary subjects dealing with the interrelationship of global culture and the changing nature of science and technology. May be repeated when topics vary. PREQ: Global Science, Technology, and Society 250 or equivalent. (Each fall)

GSTS 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

GSTS 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

GSTS 491 Honors Thesis in Global Science, Technology, and Society

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

GSTS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

HISTORY

Chair: Hunt Tooley

Faculty: Light Cummins, Victoria Cummins, Max Grober, Jacqueline Moore

Emeriti: A.J. Carlson, Oscar Page

The mission of the History Department is to provide students with an analytical basis, encompassing multiple areas and time frames, for judgment and perspective on the past.

Degree Plans Offered

Major in History

Minor in History

A major in history consists of:

History Foundation (5 courses)

___ HIST elective (any history course)

___ HIST elective (any history course)

___ HIST elective (any history course)

___ HIST elective (any history course)

___ HIST 200 level or higher

Advanced History (3 courses)

___ HIST 300 level or higher

___ HIST 300 level or higher

___ HIST 300 level or higher

Geographic Requirements – Courses above must represent at least one course from each geographic region below.

____ United States history (HIST 162, 163, 261, 282, 284, 329, 361, 363, 364, 365, 366,
as well as 250, 350 or 450 depending on topic)

____ European history (HIST 133, 143, 230, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 341, 343, as well as 250, 350 or 450
depending on topic)

____ History of Latin America, Africa, Asia, or the Middle East (HIST 103, 113, 123, 221, 225,
320, 322, 327 as well as 250, 350 or 450 depending on topic)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- 100 level courses are broad introductions, have no prerequisites and are recommended for freshmen. 200 level courses are more specialized topics, usually without prerequisites but recommended for sophomores, juniors or seniors.
- Most 300 level courses have specific prerequisites at the 100 level and are not recommended for Freshman students. 400 level courses often have more prerequisites, cover more specialized topics, and are usually recommended for juniors and seniors only.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A minor in history consists of:

History Foundation (3 courses)

____ HIST elective (any history course)

____ HIST elective (any history course)

____ HIST 200 level or higher

Advanced History (2 courses)

____ HIST 300 level or higher

____ HIST 300 level or higher

Geographic Requirements – Courses above must represent at least two different geographic regions below.

____ United States history (HIST 162, 163, 261, 282, 284, 329, 361, 363, 364, 365, 366,
as well as 250, 350 or 450 depending on topic)

____ European history (HIST 133, 143, 230, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 341, 343, as well as 250,
350 or 450 depending on topic)

____ History of Latin America, Africa, Asia, or the Middle East (HIST 103, 113, 123, 221, 225,
320, 322, 327 as well as 250, 350 or 450 depending on topic)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- 100 level courses are broad introductions, have no prerequisites and are recommended for freshmen. 200 level courses are more specialized topics, usually without prerequisites but recommended for sophomores, juniors or seniors.
- Most 300 level courses have specific prerequisites at the 100 level and are not recommended for Freshman students. 400 level courses often have more prerequisites, cover more specialized topics, and are usually recommended for juniors and seniors only.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

HIST 103 The Middle East Since Muhammad

A survey of Middle Eastern history since the rise of Islam. Examines patterns of Middle Eastern life, Islam and its contributions to Middle Eastern political and social systems, the various political forms that have held sway in the Middle East, expansion of the Ottoman Empire, European incursions into the Middle East more recently, and finally the history of the Middle East since the world wars, a time of independence and change. (Every other year)

HIST 113 East Asian Civilization

A survey of the histories of China, and Japan, beginning with a description of the nature of traditional societies in those countries, followed by an examination of the social, political, and economic issues in East Asian history since 1800. (Every other year)

HIST 123 Survey of Latin American History

A chronological and topical examination of colonial, national period, and 20th-century Latin American history with emphasis on concepts and events common to the political, social, and economic development of the region. (Most terms)

HIST 133 Europe and the World to 1500

An introduction to the history of Europe from earliest times to the fifteenth century. Emphasis on the civilizations of ancient Greece and Rome, Islam, and Medieval and Renaissance Europe. (Each fall)

HIST 143 Europe and the Modern World

A chronological and topical examination of Europe's rise to dominance in the modern world beginning with the political, social, and economic changes of the 15th century and ending with recent decades. (Each fall and spring)

HIST 162 History of the United States to 1876

A chronological survey of significant political, social, and economic issues in the history of the United States from the age of European discovery to reconstruction of the nation after the Civil War. (Each fall and spring)

HIST 163 History of the United States from 1876 to the Present

A chronological survey of the significant political, social, and economic issues in the history of the United States from the era of reconstruction to the present. (Each fall and spring)

HIST 221 Red, White, and Black: Race and Culture in Colonial Latin America

A topical approach to social and cultural history, emphasizing the impact of race and culture on colonial life and institutions. (Every other year)

HIST 225 Latin America in the 21st Century

The developing and underdeveloped countries of Latin America face many common problems and challenges as they enter the 21st century. This course will utilize lecture, film, and discussion to explore a series of these issues. Topics addressed will include debt and development, race and identity, women and feminism, liberation theology and religion, and security and sovereignty issues. (Every other year)

HIST 230 Women in Europe

A topical introduction to the history of women in Europe from the later Middle Ages to the beginnings of the

Industrial Revolution. Emphasis on the individual and social experience of women and their representation in artistic, literary, political, and scientific discourse. (Every other year)

HIST 250 Intermediate Topics in History

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

HIST 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

HIST 261 Women in America

A chronological and topical introduction to the experiences of women in the United States, from the founding of British colonies in North America to recent decades. Stress is on economic and social change as it affects the roles of women in America. (Every other year)

HIST 280 Research Practicum in State and Local History

Contracted individual research project on a topic dealing with Texas and/or Grayson County history. Involves research in primary documents under the supervision of the instructor. The student will write a paper for presentation to a state or local historical society. PREQ: instructor permission. 1/2 course credit unit.

HIST 282 The Quest for Civil Rights, 1945 to Present

A detailed study of the history of the Civil Rights Movement for African-Americans and other ethnic minorities in America with focus on school desegregation, student and community protest, white backlash, court decisions, government action and inaction, divisions between moderates and radicals, and the causes of disintegration of the various movements, with some attention to busing and affirmative action. (Every other year)

HIST 284 The History of Texas

A critical examination of the history of Texas from the era of European discovery to the present. Includes analysis of the state's ethnohistory, economic growth, political development, and society, with emphasis on relating Texas to the history of the United States. Also examines the impact of Texas on the international arena. (Every other year)

HIST 320 Mexico and Central America

A critical appraisal of Mesoamerican history, beginning with pre-conquest civilization and emphasizing political and social developments in the 19th and 20th centuries. PREQ: History 123 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 322 Andean Nations

A critical appraisal of Andean history, beginning with pre-conquest civilization and emphasizing political and social developments in the 19th and 20th centuries. PREQ: History 123 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 327 Latin American Social Revolutions

A critical analysis of the major social upheavals of modern Latin America, investigating causes and results with special attention to the relative importance of socio-economic conditions, ideologies, and personalities on revolutionary uprisings. PREQ: History 123 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 329 The Spanish Borderlands

A critical analysis of the Spanish experience in those geographical areas of colonial New Spain that are now part of the United States. Examines the Hispanic colonial history of Florida, the Gulf Coast, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, and northern Mexico from the beginnings of European colonization to the 19th century. Special emphasis on the Hispanic heritage of these areas of the United States. PREQ: History 123 or History 162 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 331 Medieval Europe

A critical appraisal of the revival of medieval western society, from ca. 1000 A.D., in the context of a tripartite world of Latin Christendom, Islam, and Byzantium, to the mid-15th century. The tensions of involving church and state, evidences of early humanism, and technological development will be emphasized. PREQ: One history course or Sophomore standing or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 332 Renaissance and Reformation

A critical analysis of Europe from the late 13th century through the mid-17th century, with special emphasis on the creation of a middle class laity, the rise of capitalism, the emergent modern state, the visual renaissance in art forms, and the reformation in religious spirit. PREQ: One history course or Sophomore standing or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 333 Enlightenment and Revolutions

A critical examination of the political, social, and economic life in Europe from the 17th century to the middle of the 19th century. The French Revolution stands at the center of this examination. Other topics will include absolutism, the Enlightenment, Liberalism, the Industrial Revolution, and the spread of participatory politics in Europe. PREQ: One history course or Sophomore standing or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 334 Europe: Industry, Identity, Empire

A critical examination of Europe from 1860 to 1939. Covers European political, cultural, and social history from the mid-19th century to the outbreak of World War II, Nationalism, imperialism, industrialization, and the two world wars will be central topics. PREQ: History 143 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 335 Europe Since 1939

An in-depth study of political, social, cultural, and military developments in the contemporary phase of European history. The course deals with World War II, the Cold War, Decolonization, European Union, and post-Communist developments, including the reemergence of nationalism. PREQ: History 143 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 341 Germany Since Bismarck

A critical examination of German history, which has been an important part of modern European history culturally, economically, and politically. Examines Germany from the period of its founding in the mid-19th century to the present. Topics include the internal patterns of German life as well as the role of Germany in Europe and the world. PREQ: History 143 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 343 Russia and the Soviet Union

A survey and critical analysis of the history of Russia and the Russian Empire from its founding, through the Soviet era to the present post-Communist state. Almost half the course will deal with the period after 1917. PREQ: History 143 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 350 Advanced Topics in History

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

HIST 361 American Colonial History and Revolutionary War Era

A critical examination of the colonial and revolutionary eras of the history of the United States, with special emphasis on the European discovery of America, the colonial foundations of England, the development of the British North American Colonies, and the American Revolution. PREQ: History 162 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 363 United States: Civil War and Reconstruction

An in-depth analysis of the causes and consequences of the Civil War and Reconstruction. A detailed examination of the military, political, social, cultural, and constitutional aspects of the struggle, including a full survey of the reconstruction of the South. PREQ: History 162 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 364 United States: Gilded Age and Progressive Era

A critical analysis of the Gilded Age and the Progressive Era and examination of the rise of industrial America and the expansion of the federal government's role in daily life. Consideration of such topics as immigration and urbanization, the Populist and Progressive reform movements, the experiences of women and minorities, and the impact of World War I. PREQ: History 163 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 365 United States: New Era, New Deal

A critical examination of the 1920s and 1930s focusing on such topics as the origins of the Great Depression and the rise of the welfare state, the transformation of the political party system, and the impact of cultural movements including the Harlem Renaissance and the arrival of the Lost Generation. Includes an examination of the origins of World War II. PREQ: History 163 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 366 United States: 1945 to Present

A critical examination of the modern era in America, beginning with an overview of the impact of World War II. Includes the rise and decline of the liberal consensus, the impact of the Cold War, the rise of protest movements in the 1960s and 1970s, the Vietnam War, the resurgence of political conservatism in the 1980s, and the end of the Cold War. PREQ: History 163 or instructor permission. (Every other year)

HIST 450 Advanced Topics in History

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

HIST 451 Seminar in History

Advanced seminar dealing with a special topic in the history of the United States, Europe, Asia, or Latin America. Prerequisite: instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

HIST 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

HIST 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular history course under

the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

HIST 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

HIST 491 Honors Thesis in History

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

HIST 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

HIST 495 Historiography and Historical Methods

A study of the discipline of history and a survey of research methodology as employed by historians. Examines the philosophy of history, provides a survey of research techniques, and affords an introduction to the standard works of historical literature. Geographical and chronological focus may vary according to the interests of the instructor. Normally limited to junior or senior level history majors. PREQ: instructor permission. (Each fall)

HUMANITIES

This program involves fields of study not regularly offered at the college in the Humanities Division. These courses focus on the study of some aspect of human culture, such as art, music, film, theatre, communication, history, philosophy, religion, literature, or language.

HUM 250: Intermediate Topics in Humanities

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

HUM 260: Intermediate Directed Study in Humanities

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

HUM 350: Advanced Topics in Humanities

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

HUM 460: Advanced Directed Study in Humanities

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more

information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

HUM 490: Independent Study in Humanities

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

LATIN AMERICAN AND IBERIAN STUDIES

Director: Terry Hoops

The mission of the Latin American and Iberian studies (LAIS) program is to provide students a liberally informed, comprehensive, and interdisciplinary approach to examining the cultural region made up of the societies of Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Iberian Peninsula.

Degree Plans Offered in LAIS

Major in Latin American and Iberian studies

Minor in Latin America and Iberian studies

A **major in Latin American and Iberian studies** consists of:

Course Requirements* (8 courses)

_____ Course Prefix and number: _____

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_____ Course Prefix and number: _____

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_____ Course Prefix and number: _____

_____ Course Prefix and number: _____

_____ Course Prefix and number: _____ - 300 level or higher

_____ Course Prefix and number: _____ - 300 level or higher

*See suggested course list in Other Considerations...

_____ Three (but not more than five) courses above must be from the same discipline (i.e., same prefix)

_____ Must utilize at least three different disciplines in above courses (i.e., three different prefixes used)

Advanced, Summative Project (1 course)

_____ LAIS 460: Directed Study

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- A student who majors in LAIS must demonstrate a proficiency at the 236 level in Spanish or Portuguese.
- Students majoring in LAIS are strongly urged to plan to spend an intensive January term, summer term, semester, or year abroad in Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain, or Portugal.
- LAIS courses are regularly or occasionally offered in the following disciplines: Spanish, history, anthropology, political science, philosophy, and economics. Courses offered regularly or occasionally include the following:

- ___ SPAN 250 Intermediate Topics in Hispanic Civilization and Culture
- ___ SPAN 255 World Literatures: Hispanic Literature in Translation
- ___ SPAN 255 Peninsular Literature
- ___ SPAN 350 Advanced Topics in Hispanic Literature
- ___ SPAN 356 Spanish-American Literature
- ___ SPAN 481 Seminar in Hispanic Literature
- ___ SPAN 450 Advanced Topics in Hispanic Literature
- ___ HIST 123 Survey of Latin American History
- ___ HIST 221 Red, White, and Black: Race and Culture in Colonial Latin America
- ___ HIST 225 Latin America in the 21st Century
- ___ HIST 320 Mexico and Central America
- ___ HIST 322 Andean Nations
- ___ HIST 327 Latin American Social Revolutions
- ___ HIST 329 The Spanish Borderlands
- ___ ANTH 263 Environment, Society, and Development in the Amazon River Basin
- ___ ANTH 265 Latin American Societies and Culture
- ___ ANTH 362 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience
- ___ LAIS 250 Topics in Latin American and Iberian Studies (occasional basis)
- ___ LAIS 260 Intermediate Directed Study (occasional basis)
- ___ LAIS 450 Advanced Topics in Latin American and Iberian Studies (occasional basis)
- ___ 250, 350 and 450 Topics courses in various disciplines offered on an occasional basis may fulfill LAIS requirements (see program faculty for approval)

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A minor in Latin American and Iberian studies consists of:

Course Requirements* (5 courses)

- ___ Course Prefix and number: _____
- ___ Course Prefix and number: _____
- ___ Course Prefix and number: _____
- ___ Course Prefix and number: _____ - 300 level or higher
- ___ Course Prefix and number: _____ - 300 level or higher

*See suggested course list in Other Considerations When Planning for the Major.

___ Must utilize at least two different disciplines in above courses (i.e., two different prefixes used)

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- A student who majors in LAIS must demonstrate a proficiency at the 202 level in Spanish or Portuguese.
- Students majoring in LAIS are strongly urged to plan to spend an intensive January term, summer term, semester, or year abroad in Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain, or Portugal.
- LAIS courses are regularly or occasionally offered in the following disciplines: Spanish, history, anthropology, political science, philosophy, and economics. Courses offered regularly or occasionally are listed in the major section of Other Considerations When Planning for the Major.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

Latin American and Iberian Studies courses are offered in History (123, 221, 225, 320, 322, 327 and 329), Anthropology (123, 263, and 265), and Spanish (255, 355, 356, and 481). Approved topics courses in these disciplines (250, 350 and 450) focusing on a Latin American or Iberian topic or issue may also count as part of the major. Additional courses that may count as part of the major, provided the student pursues a specific research focus related to Latin America or the Iberian Peninsula, include Economics 234, and Political Science 140, 432, and 440.

Students majoring in Latin American and Iberian studies are strongly urged to plan to spend an intensive January term, summer term, semester, or year abroad in Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain, or Portugal. Students have many options for studying abroad in the region, including participating in regularly offered programs in one of the countries of the region (listed on the LAIS or Study Abroad Web pages), or they may choose to do an Independent Study Off-Campus (NSOC) with a focus on Latin America, Spain, or Portugal.

Disciplinary courses approved for Latin American and Iberian Studies are listed collectively in the course schedule in WebHopper tagged with the “LAIS” search filter each term.

COURSES

LAIS 250 Topics in Latin American and Iberian Studies

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

LAIS 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

LAIS 450 Advanced Topics in Latin American and Iberian Studies

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

LAIS 460 Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

LAIS 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

LAIS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

LEADERSHIP STUDIES

Interim Director: John White

The leadership studies program focuses on the study of contemporary and classical models of leadership effectiveness. These seminars are designed to introduce and enhance students' knowledge and personal awareness of the subject and field of leadership and develop the student's ability to act in a principled manner as a person of influence. These courses are open to all students. In addition, interested students are encouraged to enhance their knowledge and understanding of leadership through other Austin College courses that complement the leadership studies curriculum.

A **minor in leadership studies** consists of

- _____ LEAD 120 (1 credit)
- _____ LEAD 240 (1 credit)
- _____ LEAD 495 (0.5 credit)
- _____ LEAD Elective (1 credit)
- _____ Ethics Elective (1 credit)
- _____ Communication Elective (1 credit)

Total Credits Requirements (5.5 credits from 6 courses)

COURSES

THE CORE LEADERSHIP CURRICULUM

LEAD 120 Introduction to Leadership (1 course credit)

This course is designed to provide an overview and understanding of the concepts of leadership as well as multiple opportunities for the assessment of leadership styles, leadership effectiveness, strengths and areas needing development. Specific subjects include interpersonal awareness, feedback and communication, decision-making, performance development, conflict management and problem-solving and the values and ethics of leadership. (Each fall and spring).

LEAD 240 Studies in Leadership (1 course credit)

This course will focus more particularly on leadership effectiveness and assessment of models and theories of leadership as seen in national or international affairs. In this dialogue-based seminar, students examine different theories, archetypes and paradigms of leadership from the perspective of multiple cultures and organizations. Students will articulate their own 'theory of leadership' through oral and written presentations. PREQ: Leadership 120 (Each fall and spring)

495 Senior Conference: Advanced Studies in Leadership

This course explores a range of more advanced leadership issues and concerns. Advanced students participate in a synthesis and personal investigation of their leadership effectiveness and present a formal critical reflection of their studies and experiences to other students and faculty. Students will articulate a plan of action and describe their propensity for engagement as a leader in future endeavors. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240. 1/2 course credit units. Pass-Fail grading. (Each fall and spring)

JANUARY TERM COURSE

LEAD 100: Leadership in Action

This experiential learning course builds upon Leadership 120. Students will develop specific skills in personal effectiveness, oral communication and situational awareness. Through participation in experiential learning, students acquire the skill to conduct and facilitate group action learning activities. This course is required for Posey Leadership Institute participants during their first January term at Austin College or first available Jan Term if entering as an upper division student. PREQ: Leadership 120.

ADDITIONAL LEADERSHIP COURSE SELECTIONS

LEAD 250 Special Topics in Leadership

The course will examine topics of special interest to students interested in the theoretical and empirical implications of political, military, business or educational leadership. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240 (Each fall and spring)

LEAD 260 Directed Study

A number of contemporary topics will be addressed in the program of study that will directly engage the student interested in specific leadership studies as a development of personal insight and perspectives of leadership. The program of study will enhance the understanding and practice in through individual investigation and interaction with the instructor. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240 (Each fall and spring)

LEAD 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Leadership

The topics to be addressed in this program of study will be the role of leadership in the practice of management in modern international organizations and the role of the professional in guiding and supporting principled and ethical practice as leaders. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240 (Each fall and spring)

LEAD 464 Teaching and Learning Leadership

The topics to be addressed in this program of study will directly engage the student interested in teaching leadership studies as a middle/high school teacher or a member of student affairs staff. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240 (Each fall and spring)

LEAD 480 Internship

In this course select students may engage in special leadership internships, constituting 20 hours a week or more, which enables the student to observe, analyze, and practice leadership in action under the guidance of a mentor and supervisor. To earn credit for this experience, the student must present a formal written and oral report at the end of their internship experience. May be repeated for up to 2 course credit units. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240 (Each fall and spring)

LEAD 490 Independent Study

The topics to be addressed in this program of study will directly engage the student interested in specific leadership studies as a development of personal insight and perspectives of leadership on an advanced level. The program of study will enhance the understanding and practice in leadership through individual investigation and periodic interaction with the instructor. PREQ: Leadership 120, 240, 260 (Each fall and spring)

MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Chair: Michael Higgs

Faculty: Aaron Block, Kerry Brock, J'Lee Bumpus, Jack Mealy, Andrea Overbay

Emeritus and Adjunct Faculty: Don Williams

Emeriti: Thomas F. Kimes and Wilbur Powell

Degree Plans Offered in Mathematics and Computer Science

Major in Mathematics

Minor in Mathematics

Major in Computer Science

Minor in Computer Science

MATHEMATICS

The mission of the mathematics program is to provide diverse opportunities for the expansion of mathematical knowledge for majors and minors, for students in the physical and social sciences, for general students, and also for recent graduates as they pursue advanced study and jobs in industry.

A major in mathematics consists of:

Core Requirements (2 courses)

_____ MATH 251 Linear Algebra

_____ MATH 252 Calculus III

Upper Level Requirements (5 courses)

_____ MATH 301 Ordinary Differential Equations

_____ MATH 319 Euclidean Geometry, ancient through modern

_____ MATH 321 Numerical Analysis

_____ MATH 381 Applied Analysis

_____ MATH 385 Probability Theory

_____ MATH 409 Survey of Geometry

_____ MATH 419 Differential Geometry

_____ MATH 450 Advanced Topics in Mathematics

_____ MATH 472 Modern Algebra

_____ MATH 473 Topology

_____ MATH 474 Number Theory

_____ MATH 475 Mathematics of Finance

_____ MATH 482 Real Analysis

_____ MATH 483 Complex Analysis

Electives (1 course)

_____ MATH course – any level

Support Requirements for the Major

_____ CS course excluding CS 201

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Those who choose to major in mathematics must take all courses required for the major under the “standard letter grade” option.
- Students planning to major in mathematics are expected to enter directly into the calculus sequence beginning with Mathematics 151 or 152.
- Students planning graduate study should be aware that some programs require proficiency in German or French.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A minor in mathematics consists of:

Core Requirements (2 courses)

_____ MATH 251 Linear Algebra

_____ MATH 252 Calculus III

Upper Level Requirements (2 courses)

_____ MATH 301 Ordinary Differential Equations

_____ MATH 319 Euclidean Geometry, ancient through modern

_____ MATH 321 Numerical Analysis

_____ MATH 381 Applied Analysis

_____ MATH 385 Probability Theory

_____ MATH 409 Survey of Geometry

_____ MATH 419 Differential Geometry

_____ MATH 450 Advanced Topics in Mathematics

_____ MATH 472 Modern Algebra

_____ MATH 473 Topology

_____ MATH 474 Number Theory

_____ MATH 475 Mathematics of Finance

_____ MATH 482 Real Analysis

_____ MATH 483 Complex Analysis

Electives (1 course)

_____ MATH course – any level

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Those who choose to minor in mathematics must take all courses required for the major under the “standard letter grade” option.
- Students planning to major in mathematics are expected to enter directly into the calculus sequence beginning with Mathematics 151 or 152.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COMPUTER SCIENCE

The computer science curriculum introduces students to theoretical and practical aspects of computing. The mission of the computer science program is to provide an environment in which students can prepare themselves for careers and further study in computer science, and to introduce students to concepts and skills in computer science relevant to a liberal arts education. Since computer science and computer technology are undergoing rapid change, the program must prepare students for immediate success and for continued success in the future. The curriculum addresses applications in a variety of programming languages on current platforms.

A **major in computer science** consists of:

Computer Science Major Core Requirements* (3 courses)

- _____ CS 201 Discrete Mathematics
- _____ CS 211 Core Fundamentals I
- _____ CS 221 Core Fundamentals II

* Majors must earn C (2.0) or better in each of these courses.

Computer Science Major Upper Level Requirements (2 courses)

- _____ CS 321 Computer Networks
- _____ CS 330 Database Systems
- _____ CS 380 Software Engineering
- _____ CS 410 Programming Languages
- _____ CS 412 Data Structures and Algorithms
- _____ CS 420 Operating Systems
- _____ CS 440 Artificial Intelligence
- _____ CS 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Computer Science
- _____ CS 451 Computer Graphics
- _____ CS 460 Advanced Directed Study
- _____ CS 470 Theoretical Foundations of Computer Science

Computer Science Major Advanced Requirements (1 course)

- _____ CS 410 Programming Languages
- _____ CS 412 Data Structures and Algorithms
- _____ CS 420 Operating Systems
- _____ CS 440 Artificial Intelligence
- _____ CS 450 Advanced Topics in Computer Science
- _____ CS 451 Computer Graphics
- _____ CS 460 Advanced Directed Study
- _____ CS 470 Theoretical Foundations of Computer Science

Computer Science Major Electives (2 courses)

- _____ CS course - any level
- _____ CS course - any level

Computer Science Major Support Requirements: All majors must also complete all of the following courses.

- _____ MATH 120 Elementary Statistics
- _____ MATH 151 Calculus I

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Courses used to meet the computer science major requirements must be completed using the standard letter grade system.

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A minor in computer science consists of:

Computer Science Major Core Requirements* (3 courses)

_____ CS 201 Discrete Mathematics

_____ CS 211 Core Fundamentals I

_____ CS 221 Core Fundamentals II

* Majors must earn C (2.0) or better in each of these courses.

Computer Science Major Upper Level Requirements (1 course)

_____ CS 321 Computer Networks

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_____ CS 451 Computer Graphics

_____ CS 460 Advanced Directed Study

_____ CS 470 Theoretical Foundations of Computer Science

Computer Science Major Electives (1 course)

_____ CS course - any level

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Courses used to meet the computer science major requirements must be completed using the standard letter grade system.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

CS 110 Introduction to Computer Science

A study of algorithm design, implementation, analysis, and application. Introduction to object-oriented programming including design, testing, and documentation. Introduction to computer architecture, data representation, and software engineering. Introduction to the Java programming language. (Each fall)

CS 111 Computer Science for Scientists

A study of how computers can be programmed to solve scientific and medical problems. An introduction to scientific computation, data visualization, data mining, algorithm design, and object-oriented programming applied to computation and data manipulation common to a variety of scientific domains. Introduction to the

Python programming language. Recommended for any student wanting to learn how to manipulate and visualize data in their area of depth. (Each spring)

CS 120 Intermediate Computer Programming

A continuation of principles of program design and testing presented in CS 110; study of simple data structures (stacks, queues, lists, and trees) and their object-oriented implementations; object-oriented design patterns; graphical user interfaces; software engineering principles; unit testing and mock objects. PREQ: Computer Science 110 or Computer Science 111 with a grade of C (2.0) or better or instructor permission. (Each spring)

CS 121 Intermediate Scientific Computing

A continued study of how computers can be programmed to solve scientific and medical problems. A study of scientific programming using the object-oriented languages Python and Java. A review of basic language constructs including file processing, collections, graphical user interfaces, recursion, and scientific and numerical recipes. Also includes testing technologies, techniques and disciplines. After this course, the successful student should feel very comfortable creating complete and industrial strength applications in both Python and Java. PREQ: Computer Science 110 or Computer Science 111 with a grade of C (2.0) or better or instructor permission. (Each fall)

CS 201 Discrete Mathematics

An introduction to sets, relations, functions, graph theory, Boolean algebras, combinatorics, probability, conditional probability, random variables, logic and logic circuits. This course is designed for the general student. It is required for advanced study in computer science. (Each fall).

CS 211 Core Fundamentals I

A survey of the fundamental topics relating to the design and development of contemporary software systems. Topics include essential algorithms, computational modeling and complexity, knowledge representation and data structures, search strategies, automated reasoning, and theoretical computational models. This course is required for advanced study in computer science. PREQ: Computer Science 120 or Computer Science 121 with a grade of C (2.0) or better or instructor permission. (Each spring)

CS 220 Architecture and Assembly Language

A study of Von Neumann computer organization and assembly language programming; memory segmentation, paging; I/O and interrupt principles; alternative architectures; introduction to logic circuits, CPU, and memory design. PREQ: Computer Science 120 or Computer Science 121 with a grade of C (2.0) or better or instructor permission.

CS 221 Core Fundamentals II

A survey of fundamental topics regarding the design and organization of computer systems, how they are managed or controlled, and how they communicate in networks. Topics include introductions to computer organization, assembly language, operating systems, and computer networking. This course is required for advanced study in computer science. PREQ: Computer Science 120 or Computer Science 121 with a grade of C (2.0) or better or instructor permission. (Each fall)

CS 250 Topics in Computer Science

A study of selected topics for beginning students offered on an occasional basis. May be repeated when topic varies. Recent offering include: Mobile Computing in Objective-C for iPhone, Agile Software Development for Android Devices

CS 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

CS 290 Practicum (Variable course credit)

A series of projects intended to provide students practice with a programming language such as C++, C, Objective-C, Smalltalk, Lisp, Python and others. May be repeated when language/topic varies. PREQ: Computer Science 120 or Computer Science 121 with a grade of C (2.0) or better or instructor permission.

CS 321 Computer Networks

An in depth study of computer networking including the following topics: architecture principles (protocols, topologies, layered organizations, interfaces), networking technologies (Ethernet, WiFi, FDDI, ATM), internetworking issues (addressing, routing, and sub-netting), end-to-end issues (data representation, compression, encryption), inter-process communication, network performance analysis and high-speed networking alternatives. Emphasis will be given to internetworking with TCP/IP. PREQ: Computer Science 221 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – fall 2014)

CS 330 Database Systems

A system level study of bulk storage devices and data storage schemes; database management systems survey; EER/OO modeling; SQL, logical and physical database analysis, design, and implementation; relational and object-oriented database models; client/server architectures; small projects. PREQ: Computer Science 211 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – spring 2015)

CS 380 Software Engineering

A study of the software development life cycle including the analysis, specification, design, implementation and testing of software systems; management of software development projects. Includes classical and agile approaches. PREQ: Computer Science 120 or Computer Science 121 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – spring 2016)

CS 410 Programming Languages

An in-depth study of the design and implementation of high-level programming languages. Languages from a variety of programming paradigms are presented including imperative, functional, and object-oriented languages. Formal approaches to defining syntax and semantics are used to describe the underlying concepts. Essential features of modern programming languages are discussed including control structures, scope rules, data types and validation, abstraction, exception handling, event handling, interpretation, and compilation. Hands-on experience with several programming languages will serve to solidify the concepts presented in lecture. PREQ: Computer Science 211 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – fall 2014)

CS 412 Data Structures and Algorithms

A study of intermediate to advanced data structures (linear structures, nonlinear structures, balanced trees and variants, graphs, heaps, and others) and their associated algorithms, analysis, and selection criteria; introduction to algorithm techniques (divide-and-conquer, dynamic programming, greedy algorithms, and others). PREQ: Computer Science 211 and Computer Science 201 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – fall 2015)

CS 420 Operating Systems

Modular and layered design of operating systems including control of concurrent processes, synchronization and communication mechanisms, interrupt handling, resource management, scheduling, protection and

reliability; memory systems, organization and management (including virtual memory); I/O systems, secondary storage, and file systems; the study of operating system utilities such as assemblers, linkers, loaders, language and command processors. PREQ: Computer Science 221 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – spring 2015)

CS 440 Artificial Intelligence

Topics may include knowledge representation schemes, propositional and first-order predicate logic, search strategies, planning, neural nets and topics in machine learning, natural language processing, and other applications. PREQ: Computer Science 211 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – spring 2015)

CS 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Computer Science

Specialized topics for advanced study. Recent topics have included MVC Web Application Design, Object-Oriented Design Patterns, Object-oriented analysis, and design with UML. PREQ: instructor permission required. May be repeated when topic varies.

CS 451 Computer Graphics

A study of 2D and 3D graphics and geometric modeling; transformations; clipping and windowing; scan-conversion techniques; representations of curves, surfaces and solids; wire frames, octrees, meshes; introduction to animation, color, shading, and ray tracing methods. PREQ: Computer Science 211 with a grade of C (2.0) or better and one semester of C++ programming (CS 290). MATH 251 is recommended. (Every other year – spring 2016)

CS 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 0.25-1.00.

CS 464 Teacher/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular computer science course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

CS 470 Theoretical Foundations of Computer Science

Topics include finite state automata, push-down automata, Turing machines, formal grammars, the Chomsky hierarchy, complexity, computability, programming language translation. PREQ: Computer Science 211 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Every other year – fall 2015)

CS 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

CS 491 Honors Thesis in Computer Science

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

CS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES IN MATHEMATICS

MATH 120 Elementary Statistics

An introduction to the principles of probability, descriptive statistics, and inferential statistics: Topics in probability include axioms and theorems of probability, events, the distribution, mean, and variance of a random variable, and Binomial random variables. Topics in descriptive statistics include sampling, variables, frequency distributions and histograms, stem and leaf displays, means, medians, and modes. Topics in inferential statistics include hypothesis tests and confidence intervals for population means and proportions, Chi Square methods, ANOVA, and regression analysis. (Each fall and spring)

MATH 151 Calculus I

The first course in the Calculus sequence. Included is an introduction to the differential and integral calculus of the elementary (algebraic, trigonometric, exponential and logarithmic) functions of a single real variable, the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, and various applications. The central role of the limit concept is stressed throughout. PREQ: a high school or college course in precalculus. A grade of C (2.0) or better is required to continue into higher numbered mathematics courses, in particular Mathematics 152 and Mathematics 251. (Each fall and spring)

MATH 152 Calculus II

The second course in the Calculus sequence. Expounding on the first semester, the course includes the study of curves defined parametrically and defined via alternate coordinate systems, additional integration techniques, and further applications. The notion of infinite series is studied in detail and culminates in the theory of functions defined by power series. PREQ: Mathematics 151 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Each fall and spring)

MATH 250 Topics in Mathematics

A course exploring advanced or specialized topics in mathematics. May be repeated with permission of instructor when topic varies. PREQ: Mathematics 151. (Offered on an occasional basis)

MATH 251 Introduction to Linear Algebra

A course with twin goals. The first is to introduce the student to linear systems of equations and their solutions, vector spaces and subspaces, linear transformations, matrices, and eigenvalue/eigenvector theory. The second is to indoctrinate the student in basic proof techniques, as well as to expose the student to abstract thinking, thus providing a transition to upper-level work. PREQ: Mathematics 151 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Each spring)

MATH 252 Calculus III (Multivariate)

The third course in the Calculus sequence. This extension of the Newton/Leibniz theory to higher dimensions involves the study of functions of more than one real variable. Both differentiation and integration are defined in this context, and the course culminates with a study of the classical theorems of Vector Calculus, generalizing the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. PREQ: Mathematics 152 with a grade of C (2.0) or better. (Each fall)

MATH 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

MATH 290 Putnam Workshop

A seminar course meeting once per week. In addition to providing preparation for the annual Putnam Exam, the course also aims to provide mathematical learning opportunities in a more horizontally integrated manner. Active participation and presentation are required. 1/4 credit course. PREQ: instructor permission required.

MATH 295 Research Practicum

An individualized or small group research project conducted in communication with a member of the department. May be repeated when topic varies. Variable course credit. (Offered on an occasional basis)

MATH 301 Ordinary Differential Equations

A study of equations involving functions of one real variable and their derivatives. Topics typically include general first order theory, linear equations of higher order, series solutions, the Laplace transform, and numerical methods. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Each spring)

MATH 319 Euclidean Geometry, ancient through modern

A course primarily intended for prospective teachers of mathematics. Its goal is to provide a broad study of Euclidean geometry from the early beginnings (before Euclid), continuing through many historically important eras, and continuing into modern times. Throughout, proofs and proof techniques will play a prominent role. Also, considerable attention will be given to constructions with the classical tools, constructions with other tools sets, and more generally to the important history of the famous construction problems of antiquity. Various drawing schemes (3-d visualization) will be included, along with the associated impact on the discovery of non-euclidean systems. Attention to Hilbert's axioms for Euclidean Geometry and subsequent work on the subject is a likely component, as is attention to higher dimensional Euclidean spaces. Recommended for prospective teachers of secondary school mathematics. PREQ: Mathematics 252 and instructor permission. (Every other year: fall 2015)

MATH 321 Numerical Analysis

A study typically including a review of appropriate topics in calculus, the Mean Value Theorem, Taylor series, order of convergence of sequences, solution of nonlinear equations, interpolation and polynomial approximation, numerical differentiation and integration, numerical solution of ordinary differential equations, and error analyses. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: fall 2014)

MATH 381 Applied Analysis

A study typically building on Math 301: Review of first and second order ordinary differential equations; series solutions to ordinary differential equations (including the Frobenius solutions); solution of systems of linear differential equations using eigenvalues and eigenvectors; qualitative methods for systems of non-linear differential equations including predator-prey problems; special functions (Legendre polynomials, Bessel functions); Fourier Series, Sturm-Liouville boundary value problems and expansions in orthogonal functions; the wave equation, the heat equation, and the Laplace equation with constant coefficients. PREQ: Mathematics 252; Mathematics 301 recommended. (Every other year: fall 2015)

MATH 385 Probability Theory

A study of applied probability theory and its use in the formulation of statistical models. Course includes

probability measures, random variables, expectation, and fundamental limit theorems. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: spring 2015)

MATH 409 Survey of Geometry

A course intended to provide a broad survey of many different geometries as well as of the varied methods of investigation of these systems. In particular, the more general notions of non-euclidean geometry are stressed. Topics typically include Finite geometries, advanced topics in Euclidean geometry, Spherical geometry, Hyperbolic geometry, Projective geometry; some attention to higher dimensional versions of these systems will also be included. Further, consideration will be given to various non-homogeneous systems. Also, an introduction to the topology of compact surfaces may be included. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: spring 2016)

MATH 419 Differential Geometry

A course intended primarily as an introduction to the local and global geometric theory of curves and surfaces. In addition to the development of appropriate mathematical machinery needed for the study of these objects, further likely topics include: curvature and torsion of space curves, the Frenet frame for curves; fundamental existence and congruence theorem for curves; curvature of curves on surfaces; curvature issues for surfaces; first and second fundamental forms; Gaussian curvature; geodesics; the Gauss map; Gauss-Bonnet theorem; Isoperimetric Inequality. Finally, some attention will be given to higher dimensional manifolds. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: fall 2014)

MATH 450 Advanced Topics in Mathematics

A course exploring special topics in mathematics. May be repeated with permission of instructor when topic varies. Recent courses have included Algebraic Topology, Game Theory, Graph Theory, Number Theory, and Mathematics of Finance. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Offered on an occasional basis)

MATH 460 Advanced Directed Study

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MATH 472 Modern Algebra

A study of the basic abstract algebraic objects (groups, rings, and fields, et cetera) and the structure-preserving maps between them. PREQ: Mathematics 252, or instructor permission. (Every other year: fall 2015)

MATH 473 Topology

An introductory study typically covering the topological properties of Euclidean spaces, general topological spaces, generalized continuity, homeomorphisms, connectedness, compactness, separation properties, and metrization. An introduction to the topology of compact surfaces also may be included. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: spring 2015)

MATH 474 Number Theory

A study typically including mathematical induction, divisibility and primes, modular arithmetic, Diophantine

Equations, arithmetical functions, and quadratic reciprocity. An introduction to cryptography and various other number theoretic applications may also be included. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: fall 2014)

MATH 475 Mathematics of Finance

A study of expectation dynamics, portfolio management, interest rate analysis, arbitrage pricing theory, hedging, forwards and futures contracts, and options pricing theory. PREQ: Mathematics 252 (Every other year: spring 2015)

MATH 482 Real Analysis

A rigorous study of the calculus of functions of one and several real variables. Emphasis is placed on the topology of euclidean spaces, the concepts of limit and convergence, and a detailed analysis of the corresponding fundamental theorems. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: spring 2016)

MATH 483 Complex Analysis

An introduction to the study of the calculus of functions of a complex variable. Topics typically include basic Cauchy theory, analysis of basic holomorphic functions, zeroes and singularities, Taylor and Laurent series, and residue theory. PREQ: Mathematics 252. (Every other year: fall 2014)

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MATH 495 Senior Conference

See program faculty for more information.

MUSIC

Chair: Daniel Dominick

Faculty: Wayne Crannell, Rick Duhaime, John McGinn

Adjunct Faculty: Robert Archer, Cecilia Hamilton, Ekaterina Oh, Paul Onspaugh, Cathy Richardson, Sylvia Rivers, Brandon Stewart, Mike Walker

Emeritus: Cecil Isaac

The music program provides experiences with serious music for the general student as well as for students majoring or minoring in music. The major in music is intended to prepare students for graduate study or, with specific coursework and in conjunction with the Master of Arts in Teaching (see *Music Education Track* below), for a career in the public schools. The major in music also serves as preparation for various immediate occupations and interests in music and can be successfully combined with other majors and study abroad experiences.

Degree Plans Offered in Music

Major in Music

Minor in Music

A **major in music** consists of:

Required Core Courses (6 courses)

- _____ MUS 120 Theory and MUS 120L Ear Training I
- _____ MUS 220 Theory and MUS 220L Ear Training II
- _____ MUS 222 Theory and MUS 222L Ear Training III
- _____ MUS 240 Music History I
- _____ MUS 241 Music History II
- _____ MUS 342 Aspects of Twentieth Century Music

Applied Music (1.25 credits of appropriate instrument)*

- _____ MUS 371 Composition
- _____ MUS 373 Percussion
- _____ MUS 374 Brass
- _____ MUS 375 Organ
- _____ MUS 376 Piano
- _____ MUS 377 Strings
- _____ MUS 378 Voice
- _____ MUS 379 Woodwinds
- _____ MUS 471 Composition
- _____ MUS 473 Percussion
- _____ MUS 474 Brass
- _____ MUS 475 Organ
- _____ MUS 476 Piano
- _____ MUS 477 Strings

_____ MUS 478 Voice

_____ MUS 479 Woodwinds

*300-level only available after passing MUS 091 Junior Exam and official major declaration; 400-level is for the semester of the senior recital

Other Requirements (3 courses; zero credit courses)

_____ MUS 090 Piano Proficiency: normally attempted by the end of the third year

_____ MUS 091 Junior Level Exam: normally attempted at the end of the second year

_____ MUS 495 Senior Recital

Upper Level Classroom Courses (3 courses): Students choose **one of three tracks** described below and should consult with the music faculty for specific recommendations regarding coursework and degree plan.

- 1. General Track** — All requirements listed above and at least three MUS 300 level or higher courses chosen in consultation with the music faculty and according to the student's interests, plans for graduate study, and vocational direction. Students in this track often will emphasize areas such as performance, musicology, music business, arts management, or conducting.

_____ MUS 300 level or higher course

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- 2. Music Education Track** — For students intending to pursue the Master of Arts in Teaching degree through the Austin Teacher Program with an undergraduate major in music. All requirements listed above and:

Required:

_____ MUS 310 Instrumental Methods (take all four .25 credit courses)

_____ MUS 361 Music in the Elementary Schools

Take at least one course:

_____ MUS 355 Studies in Vocal Music

_____ MUS 357 Studies in Music Theory

_____ MUS 358 Studies in Music Education

_____ MUS 365 Conducting

- 3. Theory/Composition Track** — MUS 091 Junior Level Exam must be successfully completed on a major instrument and theory/composition faculty must recommend student. At that point student will register for applied music in composition in preparation for a composition senior recital. MUS 090 Piano Proficiency must be attempted by the end of the second year and passed by the end of the third year. All requirements listed above and:

_____ MUS 357 Studies in Music Theory

Post-Tonal Theory

Counterpoint

Form and Analysis

Music Technology

Orchestration and Arranging

_____ MUS 357 Studies in Music Theory (see options above)

_____ MUS 300 level or higher classroom course

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Only applied music at the 300 level or higher can be counted toward the major.

Total Credits Requirement (10.25 course credits)

Acceptance into the Music Major — Formal application for entry into the music major is contingent upon 1) the successful completion of Music 220 Music Theory and Ear Training II as well as either Music 240 Music History I or Music 241 Music History II, 2) full completion of Music 091 Junior Level Exam, normally attempted by the end of the second year, and 3) the recommendation of the music faculty.

Transfer students are admitted to the major only after departmental evaluation of student transcripts and audition for the music faculty and full completion of Music 091 Junior Level Exam. Evaluation and audition normally take place in the first semester of study at Austin College.

A **minor in music** consists of:

Required Core Courses (4 courses)

- _____ MUS 120 Theory and MUS 120L Ear Training I
- _____ MUS 220 Theory and MUS 220L Ear Training II
- _____ MUS 240 Music History I
- _____ MUS 241 Music History II

Applied Music (1 course credit for appropriate instrument):

- _____ MUS 273 Percussion
- _____ MUS 274 Brass
- _____ MUS 275 Organ
- _____ MUS 276 Piano
- _____ MUS 277 Strings
- _____ MUS 278 Voice
- _____ MUS 279 Woodwinds

Advanced Classroom Course (1 course)

- _____ MUS 300 level or higher course

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- A minor declaration is required to register for a 200 level applied course.
- It is not possible to minor in composition.
- Additional applied study and classroom coursework is recommended.

Total Credits Requirement (6 course credits)**APPLIED MUSIC**

Individual instruction in piano, organ, voice, strings, winds, brass, and composition is provided for all music majors and minors and may be available to other qualified students when faculty are available. Instruction for beginners is not available. The various musical organizations provide additional opportunities for participation in music.

One-fourth course credit unit in applied music is earned for each 14-week period of weekly 45-minute lessons or one-half course credit unit for two weekly lessons (300 and 400 level only). The student is required to practice a *minimum* of seven hours per week; additional requirements determined by the instructor.

Applied music students are required to attend a *minimum* of seven approved concerts each semester of study.

A fee is charged for applied music. (See section on *College Costs* for details.)

Performances and Juries — All students taking applied music must present regular solo performances:

Declared Majors: Two public, solo performances including at least one on campus and a jury examination each semester.

Declared Minors: One public, on-campus solo performance and a jury examination each semester.

Non-Majors: One public solo performance or a jury examination each semester. (Waived in the first semester of study.)

The instructor may require more frequent performances and determine additional requirements for applied study.

Ensemble Requirement – Students taking applied music are required to participate in an assigned ensemble. The normal audition requirements for ensembles apply. With guidance by the applied piano instructor, pianists fulfill this requirement by enrollment in Music 010 Accompanying for Pianists or participation in a vocal or instrumental ensemble for which they are qualified. Music majors and minors must participate in ensemble music each semester.

Registration for Applied Music — To register for applied music, the student must first demonstrate an ability to perform at the collegiate level through an audition for the music faculty. Registration for applied music is as follows:

MUS 17x: Non-majors and undeclared majors and minors

MUS 27x: Declared minors

MUS 37x: Declared majors

MUS 47x: Declared majors in the semester of their senior recital

Applied music at the 300 or 400 level may be taken for variable credit, and courses in applied music may be repeated for additional credit.

ENSEMBLES

Auditions for the various ensembles are generally held during the first week of the fall term in Craig Hall and are open to all qualified students, regardless of major. Any student who meets the qualifications of the specific organization may audition. All registration is for S/U only, zero credit, and is submitted by the ensemble director upon successful completion of each semester.

The Sherman Symphony Orchestra, sponsored jointly by the college and Sherman Symphony Orchestra Association, Inc., is a volunteer and professional organization of approximately 65 members, which performs works from the standard orchestral repertoire in five subscription concerts annually and performs an annual Children's Educational Concert. It also joins with local and college choral groups for performances of larger

choral works and invites guest soloists for concertos.

The Austin College A Cappella Choir, a select, auditioned group of approximately 50 singers, makes frequent concert appearances and tours annually. All types of music are included in its repertoire, but special emphasis is placed on sacred music, unaccompanied singing, and the ability to embrace the widest variety of styles.

Austin College Wind Symphony is a large ensemble for all woodwind, brass, and percussion players. This organization prepares the standard concert repertoire and performs on campus and off campus. Open by audition to all players with previous band experience.

Austin College Jazz Ensembles consist of a full 20-piece Big Band as well as small combos that perform both standard and contemporary literature. Regularly scheduled appearances throughout the year include those on campus and at various area colleges and high schools, providing valuable solo and ensemble performance experience to anyone interested in this medium.

The Austin College Chorale is an ensemble of women's voices, which performs several times each semester and takes occasional tours. Founded to provide a substantive choral experience for all students, regardless of past vocal experience, the chorale also provides preparatory ensemble experience while maintaining the highest standards of literature and performance.

The Austin College Consort is a highly select vocal ensemble of 12-14 voices that prepares and performs advanced a cappella vocal jazz literature. Membership is by invitation and competitive blending audition. Concurrent participation in the A Cappella Choir is required.

The Quartette is a small men's ensemble that performs SATB and TTBB arrangements of classical, college a cappella, doo-wop, and jazz. Membership is by invitation only when openings occur, and members also must be established members of the Austin College A Cappella Choir.

Woodwind Ensembles, Brass Ensembles, and Chamber Orchestra consist of performing groups varying in size that specialize in chamber music from the Renaissance through contemporary periods. The standard as well as lesser-known works for each medium are covered, stressing ensemble techniques and performance practices appropriate for the period under consideration. Several on-campus and off-campus recitals are given each year, including guest appearances at other colleges and universities.

Accompanying for Pianists provides instruction and opportunities for music majors and minors who are studying piano to accompany vocal and instrumental students in performance.

Enrollment is for zero credit and will appear on the transcript after successful participation in the ensemble.

MUS 001a — Austin College A Cappella Choir

MUS 001b — Austin College Chorale

MUS 002 — Sherman Symphony Orchestra

MUS 003 — Austin College Wind Symphony

MUS 004a — AC Consort

MUS 004b — Quartette

MUS 005 — Austin College Jazz Ensembles

MUS 006 — Opera Workshop

MUS 007 — Woodwind Ensemble

MUS 008 — Brass Ensemble
MUS 009 — Chamber Orchestra
MUS 010 — Accompanying for Pianists

COURSES

MUS 090 Piano Proficiency Examination

Graduation requirement for music majors. Majors must register for Music 090 at the beginning of the term in which they will attempt the proficiency exam. The exam must be attempted by the end of the third year (second year for Theory/Composition students). Zero course credit.

MUS 091 Junior-Level Examination

Required for entry into the music major, the Junior-Level Examination is an extended jury and oral examination on the major instrument attempted at the end of the second year. MUS 091 will be added to the transcript upon successful completion. Zero course credit.

MUS 114 Rock 'n' Roll: History, Culture and Aesthetics

A course designed for non-majors that explores the development of Rock 'n' Roll and similar popular genres from their origins in the 1940s to about 1975. The course examines the cultural phenomenon of Rock n Roll as well as the discussion of its aesthetics.

MUS 115 The Art of Listening

A course designed for the non-music major and assuming no previous background in music. The course will not deal with topics of music theory, history, or performance techniques, but will concentrate on developing the aural perception and appreciation of music.

MUS 116 Masterpieces of Music

An historic overview of great music for the non-major.

MUS 118 American Music Since 1900

A course for non-majors exploring the extensive repertoire of music written by selected American composers since 1900 and examining significant musical traditions, both classical and popular, within the United States in this period.

MUS 119 Music Fundamentals

A course designed for, but not limited to, potential majors and minors with limited background in music theory and related subjects as well as for students interested in pursuing studies in music beyond the appreciation level. Students who take this course will be prepared to continue in Music Theory I.1/2 course credit. (Each fall)

MUS 120 Music Theory and Ear Training I

This course is a study of Western music with particular focus on harmony and voice leading. Exercises include written assignments in two-part species counterpoint, four-part writing, short compositions, as well as keyboard harmony. Instructor permission required. Experience playing classical music and relative fluency with bass and treble clef assumed. Concurrent enrollment in Music 120L Ear Training Lab for an 80 minute per week lab designed to develop greater aural fluency in tonal music and some non-tonal idioms through rhythmic training, keyboard skills, sight singing, dictation, listening exercises, and aural skills software. (Each spring)

MUS 169 Composition Seminar

An introduction to compositional techniques in a classroom/laboratory setting. PREQ: instructor permission. 1/4 course credit unit.

MUS 220 Music Theory and Ear Training II

A continuation of Music Theory I, broadening the diatonic harmonic language and introducing the concepts of tonicization and modulation. Topics include the cadential six-four chord, predominant sevenths, and secondary dominants and seventh chords, with a greater emphasis on the analysis of short compositions. Concurrent enrollment in Music 220L Ear Training Lab II for an 80 minute per week lab designed to develop greater aural fluency in tonal music and some non-tonal idioms through rhythmic training, keyboard skills, sight singing, dictation, listening exercises, and aural skills software. (Each fall)

MUS 222 Music Theory and Ear Training III

The final course in the music theory sequence emphasizes the chromatic harmony and voice-leading techniques used from the late 18th century through the beginning of the 20th century. Topics include mixture, Neapolitan, and augmented sixth chords, and more complex modulatory techniques, with an emphasis on the analysis of longer compositions. Concurrent enrollment in Music 222L Ear Training Lab for an 80 minute per week lab designed to develop greater aural fluency in tonal music and some non-tonal idioms through rhythmic training, keyboard skills, sight singing, dictation, listening exercises, and aural skills software. PREQ: Music 220. (Each spring)

MUS 240 Music History through 1700

Normally, the first course in the music history sequence, it is a chronological examination of the major musical developments in Europe from classical antiquity through 1700. Major emphasis will be placed upon stylistic characteristics, with other matters being treated as they relate to musical style. A major portion of the student's effort will involve listening and score study. PREQ: instructor permission. (Each fall)

MUS 241 Music History from 1700 through 1900

Normally the second course in the music history sequence, this course is a chronological examination of major musical developments beginning with Bach and Handel and continuing through Mahler and Richard Strauss. This course examines music from the era that provides most of the serious music heard in concert today. Emphasis will be placed upon developing and changing musical styles as reflected in the work of representative composers. PREQ: instructor permission. (Each spring)

MUS 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

MUS 310 Instrumental Methods

Designed primarily for students interested in music education, this series of courses provides pedagogical and practical information related to the teaching and performance of each instrument. 1/4 course credit each. The courses are open to all students, with instructor permission, and may be repeated with a change of instrument up to 1 credit.

- Single Reed Methods
- Double Reed Methods
- String Methods
- Brass Methods

MUS 342 Aspects of 20th-Century Music

The completion of the music theory and music history sequences, this course is an examination of the major historical and theoretical topics of the 20th century and is ideal preparation for students planning graduate study. PREQ: Music 222 and 241. (Every other year)

MUS 355 Studies in Vocal Music / 455 Advanced Studies in Vocal Music

A variety of courses, including those listed, in vocal music with special emphasis on the needs of the voice student. PREQ: instructor permission. May be repeated with instructor permission when topic varies.

Vocal Pedagogy

This course explores and evaluates pedagogical techniques for teachers of voice with the goal of helping students begin to develop their own teaching methodology.

Diction for Singers

This course explores the study of speech sounds and the symbols that represent them with the goal of helping singers become more proficient singers of foreign languages.

Operatic Literature

A systematic study of operatic styles and an overview of operatic literature from 1600 to the 20th century. Includes score study and viewing of opera in live performance and on video.

MUS 356 Studies in Music Literature / 456 Advanced Studies in Music Literature

A variety of courses, including those listed, focused on specific genres of music literature. PREQ: instructor permission. May be repeated with instructor permission when topic varies.

Symphonic Literature

A chronological study of the development of the symphony and the standard repertoire of the orchestra. Includes score study and listening to live performances and recordings.

Vocal Literature

An historical study of the development of the solo song from about 1580 to the present. Although not a primary focus of the course, some attention will be directed to choosing literature for specific voice types and the pedagogical issues encountered in the standard art song literature.

MUS 357 Studies in Music Theory / 457 Advanced Studies in Music Theory

A variety of courses, including those listed, focusing on advanced topics in music theory offered to complement and build upon Music Theory I, II, and III. PREQ: instructor permission. May be repeated with instructor permission when topic varies.

Form and Analysis

An exploration of the broader organizational structures employed by composers from the 17th through the 20th century, focusing on preeminent formal plans of classical music.

Counterpoint

Provides analytic and creative instruction in traditional Western modal (Palestrina/Fux) and tonal (Bach) counterpoint. Some post-tonal styles may also be studied.

Orchestration and Instrumentation

A detailed theoretical and practical approach to the techniques of preparing written orchestrations and arrangements for a wide variety of ensembles. Stylistic considerations of historical periods will be addressed, including extensive score examination.

(Additional topics such as **Music Technology and Post-Tonal Theory** will be offered as needed.)

MUS 358 Studies in Music Education / 458 Advanced Studies in Music Education

A variety of courses, including those listed, focusing on advanced topics most immediately relevant for the future music educator but also highly appropriate for students intending graduate study or ensemble directing. PREQ: instructor permission. May be repeated with permission of instructor when topic varies.

Choral Literature and Techniques

An introduction to the range of standard literature for high school, college, church, and community choirs. Includes methods for choosing appropriate music for a choir and techniques for rehearsing, directing, and administering choral ensembles. PREQ: Music 365 or instructor permission.

Instrumental Conducting

An advanced course in conducting techniques as applicable to instrumental ensembles. Topics explored will be baton technique, score analysis and communication, literature, and rehearsal techniques, and organizational and logistical issues in administering instrumental ensembles ranging from middle school to professional. PREQ: Music 365.

MUS 361 Music in the Elementary Schools

This is an undergraduate course in music intended for music majors preparing for a Master of Arts in Teaching and is recommended for students intending to teach at the elementary school level. It also is relevant as an elective for education students with majors other than music. The course will include attention to techniques for the specialized music classroom at the elementary school level as well as applications for the general classroom teacher. Emphasis will be placed on a survey of basic print and multimedia resources with the goal of assembling a usable portfolio of resource materials for future classroom use. PREQ: instructor permission.

MUS 365 Conducting

This course will deal with topics related to student's first experiences in conducting, including physical gestures, baton techniques, rehearsal strategies, score study, and ensemble constituencies and arrangements. PREQ: Music 222 or instructor permission.

MUS 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

MUS 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular music course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

MUS 490 Independent Study in Music

Students may use this course to pursue advanced academic interests that are of particular importance to their

own musical development. Suggested topics would include those needed for preparation for graduate study or preliminary research for an honors thesis.

MUS 491 Honors Thesis in Music

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

MUS 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

MUS 495 Senior Recital

Performance in the final year of study designed to be a capstone experience that incorporates the knowledge gained from the student's music theory, music history, and applied study. Theory/Composition students prepare a Senior Recital consisting largely of their own compositions and must perform on the recital as well. Graduation requirement for music majors. PREQ: applied music at the 300 level and applied instructor permission. Zero course credit.

NEUROSCIENCE

Co-Directors: Renee Countryman and Kelly Reed

The neuroscience minor includes courses from biology, psychology, and philosophy to build a foundation for understanding the study of the brain and nervous system from molecules to behavior and thought.

A **minor in neuroscience** consists of:

Required Core Courses (3 courses):

- _____ PSY 101 General Psychology
- _____ PSY 215 Behavioral Neuroscience
- _____ BIOL 116 Cell Biology

Philosophy Course (1 course):

- _____ PHIL 205 Ethics
- _____ PHIL 209 Ethics and Medicine
- _____ PHIL 306 Knowledge and Reality
- _____ PHIL 310 Mind and Language

Electives (2 courses):

- _____ 300 level or higher Course
- _____ Laboratory-Based Course

Other Supporting Courses:

- _____ PSY 120, SS 120, or MATH 120 (statistics)
- _____ BIOL 115
- _____ CHEM 111

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Two approved electives from the list below are required, one of which must be 300 level or higher, and one of which must include a lab (indicated with a * in the list of electives):
 - *BIOL 228 Genetics
 - *BIOL 234 Anatomy and Physiology
 - *BIOL 248 Cellular Physiology
 - *BIOL 326 Animal Behavior
 - *BIOL 344 Molecular Biology of Gene Expression
 - *BIOL 352 Systemic Physiology
 - PSY 214 Psychopharmacology
 - *PSY 315 Advanced Behavioral Neuroscience
 - PSY 451 Clinical Neuroscience
 - PSY 450 Approved Neuroscience Topics Course
 - Approved Electives
- **Special Requirements for Biology and/or Psychology Majors.** Anyone can minor in neuroscience; however, to ensure breadth of the learning experience, students who choose to major in biology or psychology and minor in neuroscience may not take neuroscience electives toward the neuroscience minor within their major field. In addition, since Biology 116 and Psychology 101 cannot double count toward a major and minor; biology and psychology majors will need to take an additional neuroscience elective from either biology or psychology, respectively to fulfill the six-course minor requirement.

Total Credits Requirement (6 courses)

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Director: Don Rodgers

The program in nonprofit organizations and public service is designed to help students build knowledge about the important role of nonprofit organizations, philanthropy, and volunteerism in generating policy responses to significant social problems, and to combine classroom and experiential learning to better prepare students to make effective contributions to their communities.

A **minor in nonprofit organizations and public service** consists of:

Issues* (3 courses from at least 2 different disciplines, e.g., ANTH, ECO)

- _____ ANTH 250 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience
- _____ ANTH 263 Whose Amazon
- _____ ANTH 365 Race and Ethnic Relations
- _____ ECO 214 Development Economics
- _____ ECO 242 Natural Resource and Environmental Economics
- _____ ECO 280 Health Economics
- _____ EDUC 225 Schools and Society
- _____ ENVS 235 Fundamentals of Environmental Studies
- _____ HIST 261 Women in America
- _____ HIST 282 The Quest for Civil Rights, 1945 to Present
- _____ HIST 327 Latin American Social Revolutions
- _____ PHIL 205 Ethics

_____ PSCI 230/330 Globalization
_____ PSCI 317 Public Policy
_____ PSCI 332 International Human Rights
_____ PSY 222 Environmental Psychology
_____ PSY 255 Health Psychology
_____ PSY 330 Educational Psychology
_____ PSY 340 Cultural Psychology
_____ PSY 410 Stigma and Prejudice
_____ SOC 385 Social Movements

* Other courses may be appropriate and relevant to students' specific interest and may be included with director's approval.

Skills (3 courses from at least 2 disciplines, e.g., BA, LEAD)

_____ BA 250 Social Enterprise
_____ BA 250 Corporate Social Responsibility
_____ BA 261 Financial Accounting
_____ BA 355 Marketing
_____ BA 371 Non-Profit Accounting
_____ ECO 371 Econometrics
_____ LEAD 120 Introduction to Leadership
_____ LEAD 240 Studies in Leadership
_____ LEAD 250/350 Special Topics in Leadership
_____ MATH 120 Elementary Statistics
_____ PHIL 110 Modern Logic
_____ PSCI 270 Research Methods
_____ PSCI 271 Quantitative Methods
_____ PSY 360 Industrial/Organizational Psychology
_____ SOC 270 Research Methods
_____ SPCH 112 Public Speaking
_____ SPCH 222 Interpersonal Communication
_____ SPCH 352 Organizational Communication
_____ SSCI 120 Social Science Statistics

* Other courses may be appropriate and relevant to students' specific interest and may be included with director's approval.

_____ **Internship Requirement – seek pre-approval from director**

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- The minor degree plan is designed with careful attention to the individual student's particular academic and career interests.
- Disciplinary courses approved for the Nonprofit Organizations and Public Service minor are listed collectively in the course schedule each term in WebHopper using the search category NPOP.

Total Credits Requirement (6 courses)

COURSES

NPOPS 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Nonprofit Organizations and Public Service

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

NPOPS 460 Advanced Directed Study in Nonprofit Organizations and Public Service

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

NPOPS 490 Independent Study in Nonprofit Organizations and Public Service

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PHILOSOPHY

Chair: Mark Hébert

Faculty: Karánn Durland, Roderick Stewart

Lawrence Hass

Emeritus: James H. Ware

The mission of the program is to help students develop interpretive, analytical and reflective skills in philosophy. The curriculum provides students with a wide range of topics in ethics, metaphysics, logic, and epistemology.

Degree Plans Offered

Major in Philosophy

Combined Major in Religious Studies and Philosophy

Minor in Philosophy

Minor in Ethics

A **major in philosophy** consists of:

Required Core Courses (5 courses)

_____ PHIL 110 Modern Logic

_____ PHIL 220 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy

_____ PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy

_____ PHIL 230 Contemporary Philosophy

_____ PHIL 495 Senior Seminar

Electives* (4 courses; at least 2 at the 300 level or higher)

- _____ PHIL 105 Introduction to Philosophy*
- _____ PHIL 203 Philosophy and Art
- _____ PHIL 205 Ethics
- _____ PHIL 207 Ethics and the Environment
- _____ PHIL 209 Ethics and Medicine
- _____ PHIL 211 Feminist Thought and Its Critics
- _____ PHIL 213 Law and Morality
- _____ PHIL 250 Topics in Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 302 Ethical Theory
- _____ PHIL 306 Knowledge and Reality
- _____ PHIL 307 Environmental Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 308 Metaphysics
- _____ PHIL 310 Mind and Language
- _____ PHIL 312 Philosophy of Religion
- _____ PHIL 314 Social and Political Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 350 Topics in Philosophy

*Philosophy 105 (Introduction to Philosophy) may count as one of these additional 4 courses, provided that it is the first philosophy course taken at Austin College.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students wishing to pursue graduate work in philosophy should consider completing 11 credits in philosophy in consultation with philosophy faculty.
- Approved topics courses also may count, but students should consult the instructor to determine whether a course is appropriate before enrolling in it.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A **combined major in religious studies and philosophy** is available for students whose personal or professional interests include both disciplines.

Religious Studies Content (5 courses)

- _____ REL course
- _____ REL course
- _____ REL course
- _____ REL course at the 300 level or higher
- _____ REL course at the 300 level or higher

Philosophical Studies Content (5 courses)

- _____ PHIL course
- _____ PHIL course
- _____ PHIL course
- _____ PHIL course at the 300 level or higher
- _____ PHIL course at the 300 level or higher

Total Credits Requirement (10 courses)

The **minor in philosophy** consists of:

Course Options (5 courses; at least 3 at the 200 level or higher)

- _____ PHIL 105 Introduction to Philosophy*
- _____ PHIL 110 Modern Logic
- _____ PHIL 203 Philosophy and Art
- _____ PHIL 205 Ethics
- _____ PHIL 207 Ethics and the Environment
- _____ PHIL 209 Ethics and Medicine
- _____ PHIL 211 Feminist Thought and Its Critics
- _____ PHIL 213 Law and Morality
- _____ PHIL 220 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 230 Contemporary Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 250 Topics in Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 302 Ethical Theory
- _____ PHIL 306 Knowledge and Reality
- _____ PHIL 307 Environmental Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 308 Metaphysics
- _____ PHIL 310 Mind and Language
- _____ PHIL 312 Philosophy of Religion
- _____ PHIL 314 Social and Political Philosophy
- _____ PHIL 350 Topics in Philosophy

*Philosophy 105 (Introduction to Philosophy) may count toward the minor, provided that it is the first philosophy course taken at Austin College.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- While the history of philosophy sequence (PHIL 220, 225, and 230) is not required for the minor, it is strongly recommended.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

The **minor in ethics** consists of:

Course Options (5 courses)

- _____ PHIL 205 Ethics
- _____ PHIL 207 Ethics and the Environment
- _____ PHIL 209 Ethics and Medicine
- _____ PHIL 211 Feminist Thought and Its Critics
- _____ PHIL 213 Law and Morality
- _____ PHIL 302 Ethical Theory
- _____ PHIL 314 Social and Political Philosophy

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

PHIL 105 Introduction to Philosophy

An introduction to such basic problems in philosophy as the relationship between mind and body, freedom of the will, skepticism and the nature of knowledge, personal identity, God and the problem of evil, and the demands of morality. Includes an introduction to techniques of critical thinking and arguing. (Each fall and spring)

PHIL 110 Modern Logic

A study of the formal structure of argumentation from Aristotle to the present with primary emphasis on modern symbolic logic. (Each year)

PHIL 203 Philosophy and Art

An examination of various accounts of art from Plato and Aristotle to the present. Topics covered include: art and truth; the peculiar kind of being of works of art; objectivity in meaning and interpretation of art; feminist, postmodern and multicultural criticisms of traditional aesthetic theory. (Every other year)

PHIL 205 Ethics

A critical analysis of ethical theory, including (but not limited to) consequentialism, egoism, relativism, religious ethics, feminist ethics, virtue ethics, and deontological ethics. (Usually every fall)

PHIL 207 Ethics and the Environment

An examination of ethical issues involving the environment that emphasizes using traditional moral theories, animal welfare and/or rights approaches, and biocentric proposals to address them. (Every other year)

PHIL 209 Ethics and Medicine

An exploration of ethical issues that arise in the practice of medicine and the health sciences, including such issues as confidentiality, truth-telling, euthanasia, abortion, and reproductive technologies. (Every other year)

PHIL 211 Feminist Thought and Its Critics

A survey of different types of feminist theory (conservative and liberal feminists, Marxist feminists, radical feminists, psychoanalytic feminists, postmodern feminists, multicultural feminists, ecofeminists, etc.) and an exploration of both internal and external critiques of these theories. (Every other year)

PHIL 213 Law and Morality

An examination of the complex relationship between law and morality. Questions addressed may include what makes something a law? Is the threat of punishment the only reason to follow a law? Is an immoral law still a law? Can a lawyer lie? Can a lawyer make it appear the witness is lying, even if he knows this is not the case? How can a lawyer defend a client she knows is guilty? (Every other year)

PHIL 220 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy

An examination of Ancient Greek, Hellenistic, and Medieval philosophy, with special emphasis on Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, and Aquinas. (Each fall)

PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy

An examination of philosophical issues in the early modern period, with an emphasis on the works of Descartes, Leibniz, Locke, Spinoza, Berkeley, Hume, and/or Kant. (Each spring)

PHIL 230 Contemporary Philosophy

An examination of 19th and 20th-century philosophy to the present, with special attention to analytic, existentialist, pragmatist, and post-modernist positions. (Each fall)

PHIL 250 Topics in Philosophy

A study of a topic in philosophy that is of broad interest to undergraduates. May be repeated when topic varies.

PHIL 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PHIL 302 Ethical Theory

An extended, in-depth look at one or more specific topics/texts in ethical theory, e.g. the relationship between what is good and what is right; the role of reason and emotion in ethical judgment; the possibility of moral knowledge; the nature of moral judgment, etc. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PHIL 306 Knowledge and Reality

A study of issues involving knowledge, including scientific knowledge, of reality. Topics may include skepticism and the justification of belief; observation and explanation; the basis, development, and validation of theories; the demarcation problem; the nature of scientific laws; and scientific realism. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PHIL 307 Environmental Philosophy

An investigation of the assumptions and demands of Aldo Leopold's maxim that we should "think like a mountain." Topics include competing interpretations of Leopold's principle and of the embedded concepts of nature, wilderness, species, and ecosystems. PREQ: Junior standing with at least one previous philosophy course and Environmental Studies 235. (Every other year)

PHIL 308 Metaphysics

An examination of traditional issues concerning reality's ultimate nature. Topics may include persons and personal identity, freedom and determinism, causation, time, existence, sensible qualities and space-occupying properties, and realism. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PHIL 310 Mind and Language

An examination of the relation between linguistic notions such as meaning, reference and communication and such psychological notions as intentionality, consciousness, personhood and the explanation of behavior. Topics may include: mind-body dualism, functionalism and artificial intelligence; semantic indeterminacy and knowing Other minds; speech acts and conversational implicature; biological evolution of thought and language; dysfunctional minds and language-users; religious language. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PHIL 312 Philosophy of Religion

An examination of classical problems in philosophy of religion. Topics may include the problem of evil, the existence and nature of God, the status of religious language, the relationship between faith and reason, etc. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses instructor permission. (Every other year)

PHIL 314 Social and Political Philosophy

An examination of various theories of justice, equality, liberty, and rights from Plato and Aristotle to modern liberalism and their feminist, postmodern and multicultural critics. Special topics may include debates over church-state separation, affirmative action, reparations, disability rights, homosexual rights, language and other rights of ethnic minorities. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PHIL 350 Topics in Philosophy

A study of a topic in philosophy that is of interest to students with a background in philosophy. May be repeated when topic varies. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission.

PHIL 360 Directed Study

A study of a topic in philosophy that is of interest to students with a background in philosophy. May be repeated when topic varies. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission.

PHIL 450 Advanced Topics in Philosophy

A critical examination of a major philosopher, philosophical movement, or philosophical issue. May be repeated when topic varies. PREQ: Junior standing with at least two philosophy courses or instructor permission.

PHIL 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PHIL 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular philosophy course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

PHIL 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PHIL 491 Honors Thesis in Philosophy

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

PHIL 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PHIL 495 Senior Seminar

A capstone course for all majors. This seminar provides an opportunity to employ the skills and knowledge gained from previous philosophy courses to engage a particular problem, philosopher, or text in a sustained way. Topics vary. PREQ: Senior major or instructor permission. (Usually each spring)

PHYSICS

Chair: David Baker

Faculty: Donald Salisbury, Andra Troncalli, David Whelan

Emeritus: Larry Robinson

The mission of the Physics Department at Austin College is to provide a positive, active learning environment for undergraduate students to explore physics. The department teaches a diverse group of students, including non-science majors, physics majors, physics minors, other science majors, and pre-professional students. Through course offerings, laboratory activities, and undergraduate research, the physics curriculum presents multiple opportunities for students to develop as scientists.

Degrees Offered in Physics

Major in Physics

Minor in Physics

A **major in physics** consists of:

Required Core Courses (7 courses)

- _____ Physics 111 Physics I (Calculus-Based)
- _____ Physics 112 Physics II (Calculus-Based)
- _____ Physics 211 Vibration, Waves, and Optics
- _____ Physics 212 Introduction to Modern Physics
- _____ Physics 261 Research Experience (1/2 credit course)
- _____ Physics 311 Classical Mechanics
- _____ Physics 312 Electromagnetism
- _____ Physics 361 Advanced Research Experience (1/2 credit course)

Elective courses 200 level or above (2 course credits)

- _____ Physics 230 Electronics
- _____ Physics 240 Atmospheric and Environmental Physics
- _____ Physics 250 Intermediate Topics in Physics
- _____ Physics 260 Intermediate Directed Study
- _____ Physics 350 Advanced Topics in Physics
- _____ Physics 351 Advanced Laboratory
- _____ Physics 431 Quantum Mechanics
- _____ Physics 460 Advanced Directed Study
- _____ Physics 464 Teaching/Learning Participation
- _____ Physics 490 Independent Study in Physics
- _____ Physics 492 Independent Study Off Campus

Elective courses 300 level or higher (1 course credit)

- _____ Physics 350 Advanced Topics in Physics
- _____ Physics 351 Advanced Laboratory
- _____ Physics 431 Quantum Mechanics
- _____ Physics 460 Advanced Directed Study

- _____ Physics 464 Teaching/Learning Participation
- _____ Physics 490 Independent Study in Physics
- _____ Physics 492 Independent Study Off Campus

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Courses used as prerequisites for physics courses must be passed with grades of at least C.
- Students planning to pursue the pre-engineering program should enroll in Physics 111 and Mathematics 151 in the fall term of their first year.
- Credit may not be received for both Physics 105 and 111, or both Physics 106 and 112.

Total Credits Requirement (10 courses)

A minor in physics consists of:

Required Core Courses (5.5 course credits)

- _____ Physics 111 Physics I (Calculus Based)
- _____ Physics 112 Physics II (Calculus Based)
- _____ Physics 211 Vibration, Waves, and Optics
- _____ Physics 212 Introduction to Modern Physics
- _____ Physics 261 Research Experience (1/2 course credit)
- _____ Physics 311 Classical Mechanics

Total Credits Requirement (5.5 course credits)

COURSES

PHY 101 Explorations in Physics

Introductory courses intended for the general audience; these courses do not count as prerequisite for other courses in physics or satisfy requirements for the major in physics. These courses introduce students to the process and product of scientific inquiry, and to ways that knowledge of physics affects our lives. Title and emphasis announced in term schedule of courses. Past topics have included astronomy, weather, cosmology, and physics for teachers. These courses include a laboratory component. May be repeated when topic varies. (Usually each fall and spring)

PHY 105 Physics for Health Sciences I (Algebra-Based)

First semester of an algebra-based two-semester introductory sequence in physics. Topics treated include mechanics, vibratory motion, and sound with emphasis on both conceptual foundations and problem-solving techniques. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: high school algebra or equivalent. (Each fall)

PHY 106 Physics for Health Sciences II (Algebra-Based)

Continues the study of physics begun in Physics 105. This algebra-based course explores conceptual foundations in electricity and magnetism, optics, and modern physics. Students will learn problem-solving techniques in these areas. Physics 106 is the appropriate second course for students who plan no further study in physics. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Physics 105. (Each spring)

PHY 111 Physics I (Calculus-Based)

First semester of a calculus-based two-semester introductory sequence in physics using the Workshop Physics method. This approach combines inquiry-based cooperative learning with comprehensive use of computer tools.

Topics include kinematics, Newton's Laws of motion, energy, and rotational motion. The laboratory component is integrated into the normal class period. COREQ: Mathematics 151. (Each fall)

PHY 112 Physics II (Calculus-Based)

Continues the study of physics begun in Physics 111 using the Workshop Physics method. This approach combines inquiry-based cooperative learning with comprehensive use of computer tools. Topics include electricity, electronics, magnetism, and thermodynamics. The laboratory component is integrated into the normal class period. Physics 112 is required for further study in physics. PREQ: Physics 111. COREQ: Mathematics 152. (Each spring)

PHY 211 Vibrations, Waves, and Optics

The course begins with a study of simple harmonic motion, and proceeds through damped, driven oscillations and resonance. The course introduces mechanical waves and wave phenomena such as standing waves, interference, and diffraction of waves. Electromagnetic waves and their properties, including reflection, refraction, and polarization, are studied, as are interference and diffraction of light waves. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Physics 112 and Mathematics 152. COREQ: Mathematics 252. (Each fall)

PHY 212 Introduction to Modern Physics

An introduction to modern physics topics, including special relativity, introductory quantum mechanics, atomic physics, solid state physics, nuclear physics, and elementary particles. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Physics 211 and Mathematics 252. COREQ: Mathematics 301. (Each spring)

PHY 230 Electronics

This course examines the physics of electronic devices, introduces circuit analysis techniques, and provides practice in the design and use of basic circuits. This course emphasizes analog electronics, but elementary digital techniques also are explored. Includes one three-hour lab per week. PREQ: Physics 112 and Mathematics 152. (Spring 2016)

PHY 240 Atmospheric and Environmental Physics

This course offers a project-oriented approach to the study of atmospheric structure, atmospheric dynamics, thermodynamics, radiation, atmospheric instrumentation and observations, energy, climate, and severe weather. It serves as an approved science course for the environmental studies major. PREQ: Physics 112 and Mathematics 152. (Spring 2015)

PHY 250 Intermediate Topics in Physics

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

PHY 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PHY 261 Research Experience

This course offers students the opportunity to work in small research groups on independent research projects. Students work closely with a faculty member in the Physics Department on topic selection, theoretical and experimental design, data analysis, and presentation of results. Topics vary on student background and faculty expertise. PREQ: Physics 112 and Mathematics 152. 1/2 course credit unit. (Usually each fall and spring)

PHY 311 Classical Mechanics

This course examines an advanced study of Newtonian mechanics, oscillations, gravitation, nonlinear dynamics and chaos, and Lagrangian and Hamiltonian mechanics. PREQ: Physics 212 and Mathematics 301. (Each fall)

PHY 312 Electromagnetism

This course examines static electric and magnetic fields, electric and magnetic properties of matter, boundary value problems in electrostatics. Maxwell's equations, electromagnetic waves. PREQ: Physics 212 and Mathematics 301. (Each spring)

PHY 341 Computational Physics

This course introduces mathematical and computational techniques commonly used in physics. Modern computational techniques are employed to investigate physics ideas that cannot be solved analytically. Fortran programming in a Unix environment and visualization of scientific data are important components of this course. PREQ: Physics 212 and Mathematics 301.

PHY 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Physics

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

PHY 351 Advanced Laboratory

This course focuses on advanced methods and techniques used in several areas of physics. Experiments may include optics, lasers, superconductivity, solid-state physics, and computer acquisition and analysis of experimental data. Includes one three-hour lab per week. (Fall 2015)

PHY 361 Advanced Research Experience

This advanced course offers students the opportunity to work in small research groups on independent research projects. Students work closely with a faculty member in the Physics Department on topic selection, theoretical and experimental design, data analysis, and presentation of results. Topics vary on student background and faculty expertise. PREQ: Physics 261, Physics 212, and Mathematics 301. 1/2 course credit unit. (Usually each fall and spring)

PHY 431 Quantum Mechanics

A comprehensive course that includes Schrodinger's equation in three dimensions (free particle, harmonic oscillator, central force), correspondence limit, wave packets, spin, interaction of electromagnetic waves with atoms. PREQ: Physics 311 and Mathematics 301. (Each fall)

PHY 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PHY 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular physics course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

PHY 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PHY 491 Honors Thesis in Physics

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

PHY 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Chair: Nathan Bigelow

Faculty: Philip Barker, Don Rodgers, Frank Rohmer

Emeriti: Kenneth W. Street, Shelton Williams

A major in political science or international relations provides students with an understanding of the great issues of politics in a rapidly changing international environment. Employing historical, comparative, philosophical, legal, and experiential approaches to the study of politics, the department places heavy emphasis on student mastery of theoretical and methodological foundations, critical thinking skills, and effective writing and speaking skills.

Degrees Offered in Political Science

Major in Political Science

Major in International Relations

Minor in Political Science

A **major in political science** consists of:

PSCI Base (3 courses)

_____ PSCI 110 American Government and Politics

_____ PSCI 120 American Political Thought

_____ PSCI 130 Introduction to International Relations *or* PSCI 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics

PSCI Methods (1 course)

_____ PSCI 270: Research Methods *or* PSCI 271 Quantitative Methods

PSCI Depth (5 courses)

- _____ any level PSCI course
- _____ 300 level or higher PSCI course
- _____ 300 level or higher PSCI course
- _____ 400 level or higher PSCI course
- _____ 400 level or higher PSCI course

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A **major in international relations** consists of:

IR Base (3 courses)

- _____ PSCI 130 Introduction to International Relations
- _____ PSCI 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics
- _____ PSCI 110 American Government and Politics *or* PSCI 120 American Political Thought

PSCI Methods (1 course)

- _____ PSCI 270 Research Methods *or* PSCI 271 Quantitative Methods

IR Depth (5 courses)

- _____ any level PSCI course in the sub-field of international relations or comparative politics
- _____ 300 level or higher PSCI course in the sub-field of international relations or comparative politics
- _____ 300 level or higher PSCI course in the sub-field of international relations or comparative politics
- _____ 400 level or higher PSCI course in the sub-field of international relations or comparative politics
- _____ PSCI 430 International Relations Theory *or* PSCI 440 Advanced Comparative Politics

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Students must also complete a modern language through the 236 level.

Total Credits Requirement (9 courses)

A **minor in political science** consists of:

Core Courses (2 courses)

- _____ PSCI 110 American Government and Politics
- _____ PSCI 120 American Political Thought
- _____ PSCI 130 Introduction to International Relations
- _____ PSCI 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics.

Electives (3 courses)

- _____ Any level PSCI course
- _____ 200 level or higher PSCI course
- _____ 300 level or higher PSCI course

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

PSCI 110 American Government and Politics

An introduction to the theoretical foundations, governing institutions, and political processes of American government; including an overview of the cultural and ideological background of the American system of government, an analysis of constitutional foundations, and an examination of the many actors involved in governing. (Every Semester)

PSCI 120 American Political Thought

An introduction to the political theory of the American republic and the Texas Constitution through a study of primary texts, including the Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, the Constitution, the Federalist Papers, and Anti-Federalist writings, as well as the writings and speeches of Jefferson, Marshall, Calhoun, Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Special attention is given to the connection between politics and government, the origin and purpose of civil government, the forms of government, the spirit of democratic regimes, federalism, the geographical, governmental, and sociological configuration of the American democratic republic, and the American dilemma of racial inequality. (Every fall)

PSCI 130 Introduction to International Relations

An introduction to the post-Cold War international political system with emphasis on the institutions, issues, and geopolitical forces that affect the interactions of the state and non-state actors in the contemporary global community. (Every fall)

PSCI 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics

An introduction to the theories, methods, and approaches of the field of comparative politics providing a foundation for understanding and analyzing contemporary political systems. Why do we compare, what do we compare, and how do we compare when analyzing political systems? Why do some societies have democratic political systems and others authoritarian ones? What contributes to political stability and instability? (Every spring)

PSCI 212 Political Psychology

An introduction to the interdisciplinary field of political psychology, which spans the fields of political science, psychology, sociology, and history. Topics include the application of contemporary psychological theories and methods to the study of political behavior, the introduction to the theory and extensive discussion of real world applications and current events, both classical debates and current trends of research, and a discussion of individual and group decision making, personality and political leadership, voting behavior, socialization, ethnic conflict, and terrorism. (Every fall)

PSCI 220 The Constitution and Civil Liberties

Through careful examination and discussion of leading U. S. Supreme Court cases, this course will examine freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion, the rights of privacy, racial and gender equality, voting rights, and due process of law. From the Court's contending majority and minority opinions, the course will seek to extract the fundamental philosophic differences about the rule of law, the extent of human freedom, the dignity of the human person, and the need for a virtuous citizenry in a modern republic devoted to liberty and equality. (Every other spring)

PSCI 230, 330 Globalization

This course provides an overview of the force we call globalization. Readings, lectures, and class discussions address different definitions and evaluations of globalization as well as the economic, political, social, cultural,

and environmental impact of global integration. Other topics covered include the structure, goals, and accountability of international organizations such as the United Nations, the World Trade Organization, the International Monetary Fund, and the World Bank, as well the role of non-governmental actors in promoting or opposing globalization and in working to ensure the protection of social and environmental goals. Students taking the course at the 330 level are required to complete an extra research paper. (Every spring)

PSCI 235 Model United Nations

This course involves an examination of the United Nations and includes participation in a regional or national Model United Nations conference. Through both classroom and experiential learning, students will be introduced to international organization theory and will conduct a detailed investigation of the structure and role of the United Nations, the country they will represent, and the issues relevant to the committee on which they will serve in the conference. The course also will include an examination of international diplomacy and negotiation, decision-making, and conflict resolution theory as they relate to participation in the conference. May not be repeated for course credit. (Every spring)

PSCI 236 Model United Nations

This course involves an examination of the United Nations and includes participation in a regional, national, or international Model United Nations conference. This course is intended for students that have already taken PSCI 235 and seek to participate in Model UN for a second semester. PREQ: Political Science 235. (Every spring)

PSCI 241 Chinese Politics

This course serves as an introduction to the development and current structure of the Chinese political system. While we discuss the current system in great detail, we also trace the modern history of China to understand the forces that contributed to emergence of China's unique political institutions and behavior. Topics covered include the transition from the Nationalist government to the People's Republic of China, the development and implications of Mao's political philosophy, the post-1978 economic reforms, and Chinese nationalism and irredentism. Finally, we analyze the most pressing problems confronting the Chinese government and society and prospects for their resolution. (Every other fall)

PSCI 242 Comparative Asian Politics

For many years scholars argued that something broadly defined as "Asian culture" destined the countries of East Asia to particular forms of political development. While the countries of East Asia do share some traditions and belief systems, it is important to note the significant differences between them. By the late 20th century Japan, South Korea and Taiwan were listed among the democratic nations of the world while China and North Korea developed very unique forms of Communism or political authoritarianism. In this course we will compare and contrast these East Asian systems and analyze the reasons for the very diverse political outcomes. (Every other fall)

PSCI 250 Intermediate Topics in Political Science

A study of selected topics drawn from any of the subfields of political science and designed primarily for students beginning the study of political science. May be repeated when topic varies.

PSCI 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Supervised research study in political science using one or more research techniques on an issue from any of the subfields of political science. May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit.

PSCI 270 Research Methods

Study of the basic research techniques used in the scientific study of politics. The course will focus on the

development of sensible, ethical, and systematic scientific research designs. PREQ: Any 100 level Political Science course or instructor permission. (Every fall)

PSCI 271 Quantitative Methods

An examination of basic social science statistics used in political science to summarize data, describe relationships between variables, make inferences from samples to estimate population parameters, and application of control. While the course focuses on quantitative approaches, it does so within a framework of research design; including theory development, hypothesis specification, sampling technique, and research ethics. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every spring)

PSCI 310 Congress

An examination of the legislative branch of American government. Topics include the evolving institutional structure of Congress, the theory and practice of representation, congressional elections, and a detailed examination of the federal policy-making process. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other spring)

PSCI 311 The Presidency

An examination of the role of executive leadership within the American political system. Topics include the foundations and evolution of presidential power, the dynamics of presidential elections and public opinion, and the interaction of the executive with the legislative and judicial branches. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every fall)

PSCI 313 State and Local Government

A comparative examination of the 50 states and nearly 90,000 local governments that make up the sub-national governing structure of United States. Topics include theories of federalism; deviation in political culture; institutional variation in state government; as well as the establishment, evolution and modern practice of local government. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every fall)

PSCI 315 Campaigns and Elections

An examination of the electoral process within the American political system. Topics include suffrage; voting behavior; the role of candidates, political parties, interest groups and the media; and the history of campaign finance and various reform efforts. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Offered on an occasional basis)

PSCI 318 Public Administration

An historical study of public administration within the context of American constitutionalism and the dynamics of popular government in America. Special attention is given to the problem of reconciling the growth of the administrative state under pressures from modern industrial society and the concurrent democratic demand for government by the people. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other fall)

PSCI 332 International Human Rights

A survey of different philosophical and cultural views of international human rights and an analysis of specific cases to better understand the complex issues surrounding the human rights debate. Questions addressed include: What are human rights? How are human rights defined and who defines them? Do all people share the same definitions and norms? Are rights universal or relative to different cultures? The course includes a discussion of the development of international human rights laws and enforcement efforts, human rights as a component of nation-state foreign policy, and the influence of grassroots activism on international human rights practices. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other spring)

PSCI 340 Religion and Politics

A social scientific examination of the role of religion in politics both domestically and internationally. The course will address issues as varied as the role of religion in the modern democratic process (both in the US and abroad), the role of religion in international conflict, the development of religiously-based terrorist organizations, the nature and effects of church-state relationships, and the link between religion and human rights. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other fall)

PSCI 342 European Politics

This course focuses on the institutions, issues, and actors central to European politics. By the end of the semester, students should have a firm understanding of the political workings of several European states, as well as the European Union. European countries will be used to analyze and critique political systems more broadly. Topics covered include the political development of Europe, institutions and elections, political identity, economic integration, and the European Welfare state, amongst others. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PSCI 345 African Politics

An examination of the political interactions of state institutions, state leaders, social groups, international actors, and others on the African continent. Topics include the impact of colonialism on African political structures, the role of ethnicity and nationalism, economic development, political legitimacy, state-building, and democratization. The major issues in African politics will be examined thematically and through in-depth case-studies of selected countries. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PSCI 410 U.S. Constitutional Law

This course will principally address the place of the national judiciary, especially the Supreme Court, in the U. S. constitutional system through a careful analysis of the great cases that have shaped the development of constitutional law. The course gives special consideration to the literal text of the constitution, to the political and legal theories behind the constitution, and to the historical context in which the great cases have arisen. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or History 162 or instructor permission. (Every fall)

PSCI 417 Public Policy

This course involves a broad examination of public policy in the United States. Topics include an analysis of theoretical understandings of power in the policy-making process; an exploration of the prerequisites and processes of policy change, within the context of the policy process; and an examination of a specific policy area (past topics include welfare, affirmative action, and health policy). PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other spring)

PSCI 420 Political Theory

A detailed analysis of Plato's Republic, Thomas Aquinas' Treatise on Law, Machiavelli's Prince, and a selected work of Nietzsche, with emphasis on the place of statesmanship, law, religion, education, economics, and the family in political life. Special attention is given to the tension between philosophy and political life. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or any Philosophy course or any Religious Studies course or instructor permission. (Every other fall)

PSCI 425 Political Philosophy and Religion

A study of the relationship between religion and politics and religion and political philosophy as seen by great Islamic, Jewish, and Christian writer from late antiquity through the Middle Ages, including St. Augustine, Al-Farabi, Averroes, Maimonides, Thomas Aquinas, Dante and Marsilius of Padua. PREQ: Any 100 level political

science course or any philosophy course or any religious studies course or instructor permission. (Offered on an occasional basis)

PSCI 428 The Origins of Modern Liberalism

Through the study of Thomas Hobbes' Leviathan, Benedict Spinoza's Theologico-Political Treatise, John Locke's Second Treatise, and Rousseau's Second Discourse and Social Contract, this course will examine the philosophic sources of modern views of human nature, natural rights, social contract, and secular rule inspiring the American and French revolutions and underpinning the modern western liberal democracies, in particular the United States. As part of this concentration on the origins of modern liberalism, the course will give careful attention to the conscious project of these early modern writers to replace classical and religious views of human nature and political life with notions the modern writers considered more conducive to human life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or any philosophy course or any religious studies course. (Offered on an occasional basis)

PSCI 430 International Relations Theory

In this course we will survey the principle theories and literature in the field of international relations. The field of international relations has transformed dramatically over the past several decades. With greater international communication, transportation, and economic integration, the traditional theories of international relations, focused on the role of the state as a unitary actor and fixed assumptions about human nature, seemed ill suited to help us make sense of our complex world. New approaches attempt to expand the analysis to include multiple new actors and issues. We will discuss these varied approaches and analyze global problems through different theoretical lenses. By the end of this course you will be well acquainted with different approaches to explaining conflict and war, international economic interaction and inequality, and the roles of the governments, non-governmental organizations, and individuals in the world today. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course and Junior or Senior standing or instructor permission. (Every fall)

PSCI 432 U.S. Foreign Policy

A study of the conduct of American foreign policy with emphasis on the governmental processes by which policy is devised, the constitutional conflict inherent therein, and the development of that conflict during the course of American diplomacy since the end of World War II. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or History 163 or instructor permission. (Every other fall)

PSCI 434 International Law

An introduction to the basic concepts and problems of public international law and of the international legal system. The course will address the central question of whether International Law is useful for ordering the international system. More specifically, classic topics in international law (such as the sources and subjects of international law, the jurisdiction of states, international law and the use of force, and the relationship between international law and the internal law of states) as well as newer themes (such as the international law of human rights and international criminal law) will be covered. The course will review and discuss a number of international law cases decided by national and international tribunals, as well as certain treaties, resolutions and other international legal instruments of importance. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PSCI 440 Advanced Comparative Politics

This course provides an advanced investigation into the main theories of comparative politics. We will address key scholarly writings on topics such as political institutions, political culture, identity, development, and democratization. PREQ: Any 100 level political science course and Junior or Senior standing, or instructor permission. (Every other year)

PSCI 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Political Science

A study of selected topics in political science drawn from any of the subfields of political science and offered on an occasional basis. Prerequisites vary. May be repeated when subject varies.

PSCI 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PSCI 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular political science course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

PSCI 480 Internship

See program faculty for more details.

PSCI 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PSCI 491 Honors Thesis in Political Science

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

PSCI 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PSYCHOLOGY

Chair: Renee Countryman

Faculty: Lisa M. Brown, Matt Findley, Hank Gorman, Ian MacFarlane, Peter Marks, Jill Schurr

Adjunct Faculty: Michele Helfrich, Anne Rowland

Emeriti: Gerald Middents, Karen Nelson, Howard Starr, Paul Thomas

The psychology department offers students exposure to the subject matter, methodologies, and professional practice of psychology. As a subject matter, psychology is the study of the brain, behavior, and human experience. Students explore the methodologies of psychology in the required courses for the minor and the

major, with specialized courses, internships, and practica encouraging students to use experimental, correlational, and observational approaches in research and practice.

Both research and practice raise ethical questions embedded in most of the courses offered and in individualized study through internships, honors thesis, and directed studies. Psychology graduates pursue studies in psychology, medicine, related health sciences, law, administration, education, divinity, business, and social work. The multidisciplinary inquiry necessary for investigating many topics in psychology attracts students with interests the sciences, humanities, and other social sciences.

Degree Plans Offered in Psychology

Major in Psychology

Minor in Psychology

Minor in Educational Psychology

A major in psychology consists of:

Required Psychology Core Course (3 courses)

_____ PSY 101 General Psychology

_____ PSY 120 Statistics for Psychologists

_____ PSY 201 Research Methods in Psychology

Group A: Psychology as a Natural Science (1 course)

_____ PSY 214 Psychopharmacology

_____ PSY 215 Biological Psychology

_____ PSY 220 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology

_____ PSY 265 Psychology of Human Sexuality

Group B: Psychology as a Social Science (1 course)

_____ PSY 235 Psychology of Gender

_____ PSY 240 Social Psychology

_____ PSY 296 Life Span Psychology

Group C: Psychology as an Applied Science (1 course)

_____ PSY 222 Environmental Psychology

_____ PSY 255 Health Psychology

_____ PSY 270 Introduction to Forensic Psychology

_____ PSY 281 Psychopathology

_____ PSY 282 Psychotherapy and Assessment

Psychology Lab Courses (1 course and lab)

_____ PSY 315 & lab Advanced Biological Psychology

_____ PSY 330 & lab Educational Psychology

_____ PSY 355 & lab Learning, Memory and Cognition

_____ Approved course

Advanced Course (1 course)

_____ PSY 300 level or higher

Advanced Seminar (1 course)

_____ PSY 400 level or higher

Other Considerations When Planning for the Major:

- Psychology 101 is a prerequisite for all other courses in psychology unless the course description states otherwise.
- Mathematics 120 or Social Sciences 120 may be substituted for Psychology 120 if already taken
- The choice of electives for the major and minor should take into account both the qualifications and objectives of the individual student and the depth and breadth of psychological knowledge generally considered desirable for an undergraduate with an in-depth study of psychology.
- Courses for the major or minor may not be taken S/D/U.
- Students are required to complete Psychology 201 before being accepted into the major or minor.
- Students who are taking Psychology 201 during the spring semester of their second year will be provisionally accepted into the major or minor.
- Recommended that students take statistics and methods in consecutive semesters.
- Generally, graduate programs expect completion of Psychology 215, 240, and 281. Psychology 491 or 495 is strongly recommended as preparation for graduate study in psychology.
- Students must earn a C or above in PSY 101, PSY 120 (SS 120, MATH 120), and PSY 201 in order to graduate with a major or minor in psychology.

Total Credits Requirement (9-11 courses)

A minor in psychology consists of:

Required (2 courses)

- _____ PSY 101 General Psychology
- _____ PSY 201 Research Methods in Psychology

Electives (3 courses)

- _____ PSY 200 level or higher
- _____ PSY 200 level or higher
- _____ PSY 300 level or higher

Supporting Course

- _____ PSY 120 Statistics for Psychologists (or MATH 120 or SS 120)

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Educational psychology links the disciplines of psychology and education with attention to the complex contextual forces that shape individual lives and the institutions within which individuals are shaped by their cultures.

A minor in educational psychology consists of:

Psychology Courses (3 courses)

- _____ PSY 101 General Psychology
- _____ PSY 201 Research Methods
- _____ PSY 296 Life Span Psychology

Education Courses (2 courses)

_____ EDUC 351 Teacher/Learner Interaction

_____ EDUC 475 The Learner, the Teacher, and the Curriculum

Approved Elective (1 course)

_____ Course Prefix and Number _____ - See program faculty for approval

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- The director must pre-approve the sixth course that is intended to be a special bridging course that assists the student in linking knowledge gained from the required courses with a specific interest.
- Given that a course in Life Span Psychology is required for teacher certification, it is required for the Educational Psychology minor
- PSY 330 Educational Psychology may be taken for the approved sixth course.
- Courses for the educational psychology minor may not be taken S/D/U.
- Students may not major in psychology and minor in educational psychology.
- Recommend that students take statistics and methods in consecutive semesters.

Total Credits Requirement (6 courses)**COURSES****PSY 101 General Psychology**

A general study of the field of psychology, suitable for both the student who wishes only one course in psychology and the student desiring a basic course as foundation for further study in psychology. (Each fall and spring)

PSY 120 Statistics for Psychologists

An introduction to the standard statistical tools used in psychology to summarize data, describe relationships among variables, and make inferences from samples to populations with discussion of theory of probability and probability distributions, hypothesis testing, and exploration of computer packages. Examples and problems are derived from psychology research. PREQ: Psychology 201. May not be taken by students who have completed Social Sciences 120, Mathematics 120, or equivalent. (Each fall and spring)

PSY 125 Research Practicum

Supervised research study in psychology using analytical and behavioral science research techniques. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201. ¼ course credit unit. May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit.

PSY 201 Research Methods in Psychology

Study of the basic research techniques used in the scientific study of psychological processes. Extensive laboratory work includes application of inferential statistics to psychological data. Comparison of the strengths and weakness of various experimental, quasi-experimental, and qualitative research designs, with attention to ethical and theoretical issues as well as methodological ones. Involves completing a review of the literature in a defined area of psychology culminating with a detailed research proposal. Ensures that all students can adhere to standards outlined in The Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 120 or Social Science 120 or Mathematics 120 or equivalent. (Each fall and spring)

PSY 214 Psychopharmacology

A study of how drugs are administered, how they are distributed through the body, how they affect neurons and behavior, and how they are inactivated. The course examines the how the chemical structure of drugs affects their actions on the nervous system. Included in the course is the classification of psychoactive drugs and some of the major members of the classes of drugs – stimulants, depressants, opiates, anti-psychotics, anti-depressants, tranquilizers, NSAID, and hallucinogens. The course considers how drugs are clinically used, why people use recreational drugs, and treatment of drug abuse. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Each fall or spring)

PSY 215 Behavioral Neuroscience

An introduction to the study of the physiological, evolutionary, and developmental mechanisms of behavior and experience with an emphasis on the relationship between the brain and behavior. Topics covered include the structure and function of the neuron, basic neuroanatomy, wakefulness and sleep, learning and memory, psychological disorders, emotional behavior, and reproductive behavior in humans and animals. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Each fall or spring).

PSY 220 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology

An examination of some of the problems studied by psychologists in the fields of information-processing, perception, and cognition together with representative theories and methods proposed for their solution. Includes lab work with Logo programming or robotics. This course is cross-listed as Cognitive Science 120. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Each fall or spring)

PSY 222 Environmental Psychology

An examination of the relationship between humans and built, natural and virtual environments. The course explores topics such as environmental health and justice, planning and design, personal space, noise, crowding, and pro-environmental behavior. Students will have an opportunity to apply environmental psychology in community settings through needs assessment, research, and intervention. PREQ: Psychology 101 recommended. (Typically each spring)

PSY 225 Research Practicum

Supervised research study in psychology using analytical and behavioral science research techniques. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201. 1/4 course credit unit. May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit.

PSY 235 Psychology of Gender

Surveys the field of gender psychology, considering the views of experts in the field. Course explores gender differences and possible etiology of these differences; gender identity development and sexual orientation; communication styles; gender and violence; and gender issues in physical and mental health. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Every other year)

PSY 240 Social Psychology

An examination of scientific theory and research concerning how the thoughts, feelings, and behaviors of individuals are affected by other individuals or by the group. The course investigates such topics as attraction, persuasion, and attitudes. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Typically each spring)

PSY 250 Topics in Psychology

A study of selected topics offered on an occasional basis. PREQ: Psychology 101. May be repeated when topic varies.

PSY 255 Health Psychology

An exploration of the relationship between psychological factors and physical health. Specific topics include stress and coping, seeking medical treatment, patient-practitioner interaction, adherence to medical advice, and health disparities. Students will have an opportunity to apply health psychology in community settings through needs assessment, research, and intervention. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Typically each fall)

PSY 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PSY 265 Psychology of Human Sexuality

An examination of methodologies used in the study of human sexuality, with attention to attitudes regarding sexual orientation, identity, and gender. The course investigates the anatomy and physiology of sexual behavior as well as accompanying psychological phenomena, and considers biological, psychological, and cultural schools that serve as a basis for understanding heterosexual, lesbian, gay, and bisexual orientations. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Every other year)

PSY 270 Introduction to Forensic Psychology

This course is a broad-based examination of how psychology contributes to an understanding of offender behavior in particular and the legal system in general. Topics include investigative practice, corrections, juvenile delinquency, forensic assessment, and criminality. Research-based forensic practice is emphasized and critically evaluated. Class projects foster the translation of applied research and psychology theory into specific program design. PREQ: Psychology 101. (Every other year alternating with 375, Psychology & Law)

PSY 281 Psychopathology

This class focuses on learning diagnostic criteria for use in psychology and related helping fields, although anyone with an interest in abnormal psychology is encouraged to enroll. The course will consider the possible definitions of forensic assessment, ahistorical ways of thinking about mental illness, up to and including our present standards as defined in the DSM-5. The course will cover diagnostic criteria, prevalence, cultural and special population considerations, and how disorders are portrayed in the media. PREQ: Psychology 101. Formerly PSY 320. (Typically each spring)

PSY 282 Psychotherapy & Assessment

This course guides students through the clinical responsibilities of mental health practitioners. Students interested in counseling/clinical psychology, social work, marriage and family therapy, school counseling, or educational psychology will especially benefit from this class. The major focus of this course is the varied models and modalities of psychotherapy. The secondary focus is the clinical assessment methods clinicians use to diagnose, treat, and track outcomes in their clients. (Typically each fall)

PSY 296 Life Span Psychology

This course will examine human development from the prenatal period through old age. Topics covered will include development of thought, perception, language, parent-child relationships, peer relationships, aggression, morality, identity, and the developmental contexts of family, school, and culture. The course will be primarily conducted as lecture and discussion, with some videos and activities. PREQ: Psychology 101. Formerly PSY 345. (Each fall or spring)

PSY 315 Advanced Behavioral Neuroscience

An in depth study of selected fields within behavioral neuroscience including experience dependent synaptic plasticity, learning and memory, addiction, emotions, and aging. Neuroanatomy and the neural mechanism of behavior in animals are investigated through laboratory demonstrations and student-conducted experiments
PREQ: Psychology 101, Psychology 201, and Psychology 215 or instructor permission. (Typically each fall)

PSY 325 Research Practicum

Supervised research study in psychology using analytical and behavioral science research techniques. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201. 1/4 course credit unit. May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit.

PSY 330 Educational Psychology

The purpose of this course is to examine how psychological theories can be applied to education. Topics covered will include traditional fields of psychology such as cognition and behavior modification as well as current issues like bullying and standardized testing. A co-requisite lab is required for students to learn how to conduct structured observations of behavior while evaluating how educational and psychological theories look in real-world situations. Many of the lab activities occur off campus at local schools. In order to take this class, students must pass the school district's background check. Most lab times will be arranged individually with your cooperating teacher. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201 or Education 225. (Typically each fall)

PSY 340 Cultural Psychology

An exploration of the ways in which different cultures lead people to vary in basic psychological processes. The course will particularly focus on collectivism and individualism. Topics include language development, moral reasoning, mental health, self-concept, and parenting styles. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201. (Typically each spring)

PSY 355 Learning, Memory, and Cognition

Investigation of fundamental principles of learning and conditioning including animal cognition, the application of conditioning to clinical and classroom settings, and the human cognitive processes of knowledge acquisition, categorization, memory, problem solving, and reasoning. Extensive laboratory exercises involve hands-on exploration of classic experiments in cognitive psychology, the application of cognition, and the observation of cognition and learning. PREQ: Psychology 101 and either Psychology 201 or Education 225, and at least Junior standing. Formerly called Conditioning and Cognitive Processes. (Each fall or spring)

PSY 360 Industrial/Organizational Psychology

This course is designed to introduce students to psychological principles as they apply in a work context. Topics will include legal issues in employment, selection of employees, job analysis, performance appraisal, employee development, leadership, motivation, and group behavior. A major emphasis of this course will be to illustrate how the principles of Industrial/Organizational Psychology can be applied to day-to-day experiences in an organization and help students develop as effective organizational members or leaders. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201 or instructor permission (Typically each spring)

PSY 375 Psychology and Law

The course examines how psychology can inform the application of justice. The trial process is thoroughly explored, comparing the law's informal theories of human behavior to what psychologists know based on theory and research. The application of psychological research and theory to various controversial courtroom issues is discussed. These issues include eyewitness identification and testimony, witness interrogations and confessions, use of the polygraph as a lie-detector test, child witnesses in sexual abuse cases, the death penalty, and the role of psychologists in jury selection and the trial process. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology

201 or instructor permission. Formerly PSY 275. (Every other year alternating with 270 Introduction to Forensic Psychology)

PSY 410 Stigma and Prejudice

A critical examination of a social psychological perspective of stigma (stigma being ways in which people experience others' prejudice toward themselves). We investigate stigma based upon ethnicity, gender, religion, age, color, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, and other characteristics. We also investigate historical changes in the conceptualizations of stigma and prejudice. PREQ: Psychology 101, Psychology 201, and Psychology 240. (Typically each fall)

PSY 420 History and Schools of Psychology

A broad study of the historical roots of modern scientific psychology, the key contributors to psychology, recent controversial issues in psychology, and the interrelationship of psychology to other fields of study. Intended to prepare students for oral, written, and critical work common in graduate programs in psychology. PREQ: three courses in psychology, including Psychology 101 and Psychology 201, and at least Junior standing. (Typically every other year)

PSY 425 Research Practicum

Supervised research study in psychology using analytical and behavioral science research techniques. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201. 1/4 course credit units. May be repeated for a total of one course credit unit.

PSY 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Psychology

A proseminar on contemporary issues relevant to psychology offered on an occasional basis. Open to juniors and seniors by instructor permission. PREQ: Psychology 101 and Psychology 201. May be repeated when topic varies.

PSY 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

PSY 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular psychology course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

PSY 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PSY 491 Honors Thesis in Psychology

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

PSY 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

PSY 495 Senior Seminar

See program faculty for more information.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Director: George Diggs

Faculty: Kerry Brock, Lisa Brown, Renee Countryman, Bart Dredge, Karáan Durland, Michael Fairley, Steve Goldsmith, Roger Platizky, Jack Pierce, Stephen Ramesy, Kelly Reed, Peter Schulze

The public health program promotes a multidisciplinary approach to studying the varied and interconnected ways of preventing disease, promoting health, and prolonging life through organized efforts, both public and private. The curriculum includes courses from the social sciences, natural sciences, mathematics, and humanities, and is designed to give students insight into the breadth of the field. The program emphasizes involvement at the local level in conjunction with a global perspective.

A student who elects to major or minor in public health will obtain an understanding of the nature of the scientific approach, the importance of statistical analysis, and the effects of social, economic, behavioral, political, and cultural factors on health.

A background in public health can prepare a student to enter a diverse range of careers, varying widely both in focus (local, regional, national, global) and in sector. For example, careers are available in local, state, and federal government, hospitals and health departments, nonprofit organizations, corporations, and universities. A number of these careers require graduate study (for example, a Master of Public Health degree). A broad based liberal arts education that includes training in public health is also a strong background for many other graduate and professional programs ranging from medicine and other health careers to hospital administration, public policy, health economics, human rights, and diverse programs in the natural sciences and social sciences.

Students are encouraged to consider in which aspect of public health their primary interests lie (e.g., policy/management, economics, environmental, scientific/biological, communications, etc.) and to choose additional coursework that will position them strongly for graduate work or the job market.

Students who are interested in the public health major or minor are strongly encouraged to consult with George Diggs at their earliest convenience.

A **major in public health** consists of 8 courses taught from multiple disciplines. Students will complete three core courses in public health and then electives related to policy, scientific concepts of health and disease, and social and personal aspects of health maintenance. Majors must take at least six courses at the level of 200 or above and at least three at the level of 300 or above. An internship or other similar experience or individual research project is highly encouraged.

A **minor in public health** consists of 5 courses including 2 core classes in public health and 3 additional classes related to policy, science and behavior related to health. At least one course must be from the 300-level or

higher.

All elective courses for the major and minor should be selected in consultation with the program director based on student interests and career objectives.

COURSES

Pending Curriculum Committee Approval in Fall 2014.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Chair: Todd Penner

Faculty: Jeremy Posadas, Ivette Vargas-O'Bryan

Emeritus and Adjunct: Henry Bucher

Emeriti: Thomas Nuckols, James Ware

The religious studies program offers an array of courses that provide broad exposure to diverse religious texts, traditions, practices, and themes throughout various world cultures/regions from the ancient to the modern periods. The program focuses on the intersection of religious meanings and specific cultural contexts that shape those meanings. The approach to the study of religion is therefore largely interdisciplinary, with any single course providing exposure to several different methods of analysis and interpretation. Using these diverse approaches, the religious studies program investigates the complex, often ambiguous processes, products and performances of religious communities and individuals over time. We also seek to understand and assess religious phenomena on their own terms, appreciating their contributions to human vitality in the past and present, and examining their significance for the future. We welcome students from all religious and theological/philosophical/ideological persuasions, and aim to foster an environment where students feel free to deepen their understanding of their own traditions while engaging alternative perspectives that provide challenges and new insights.

Alongside various other course offerings, the Religious Studies Program has three fields of concentration:

1. Asian religions and cultures
2. Bible and culture
3. Christian theology and history.

These fields correspond with the current strengths and interests of the department.

Degree Plans Offered in Religious Studies

Major in Religious Studies

Minor in Religious Studies

A **major in religious studies** consists of:

Asian Religions and Cultures (1 course)

- REL 110
- REL 115
- REL 220
- REL 250, when topic is appropriate

The Bible and Culture (1 course)

- REL 135
- REL 235
- REL 250, when topic is appropriate

Christian Theology and History (1 course)

- REL 165
- REL 270
- REL 250, when topic is appropriate

Capstone course (1 course)

- REL 301

Upper Level Electives (2 courses; 300 level or higher)

- REL course at 300 or 400 level
- REL course at 300 or 400 level

Electives (2 courses; any level)

- REL course at any level
- REL course at any level

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A **minor in religious studies** consists of:

Intermediate Electives (2 courses; 200 level or higher)

- REL course at 200 level or higher
- REL course at 200 level or higher

Advanced Elective (1 course; 300 level or higher)

- REL course at the 300 or 400 level

Any Level Electives (2 courses)

- REL course at any level
- REL course at any level

At least **two** of the following areas must be represented in the courses above*:

- REL course in Asian religions and cultures
- REL course in Bible and culture
- REL course in Christian theology and history

*See corresponding areas in the major degree plan for possible courses to fulfill this requirement.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES

REL 110 The Life and Teachings of the Buddha

Traces the life and times of the Buddha from the earliest extant Indian sources to scriptures across diverse Asian cultures. Drawing upon scriptural texts and visual art, as well as through the early discourses of the Buddha and secondary interpretive literature, the student seeks understanding of what the Buddha thought and taught. (Each year)

REL 115 Hinduism

A critical exploration of the philosophical and ritual approaches of the Hindu tradition. This course will examine historically key classical texts like the Vedas and Upanishads, the Bhagavadgita, the Ramayana, the Gitagovinda, bhakti poetry, and modern writings for transformations of belief and praxis pertaining to the role of the divine, images, gender, and the nature of reality. (Occasional)

REL 135 The Biblical Heritage

This course offers a critical analysis of the biblical tradition with an emphasis on the way in which the historical and social worlds of ancient writers and readers helped shape the Bible we have today. The focus is on the formative stages of development of the Hebrew Bible, on the rhetorical (i.e., persuasive) qualities of its narrative, and on the analysis and critical engagement of biblical values and discourses. Also of interest is the way in which the stories related in the Bible create, shape, and maintain community identities over time. The goal is to foster in students an appreciation for critical humanistic inquiry into a sacred text, and the kinds of possible questions and issues that arise from (and only make sense within) that particular framework of engagement. (Each year)

REL 165 Introduction to Christian Theology

An introductory exploration of historic Christian doctrines and practices and their meanings for Christians today. Priority for freshmen and sophomores. (Each year)

REL 170 Faith and the Imagination

An exploration of the role of imagination in the understanding and expression of faith within “Christian” literature and the visual arts. Readings by such authors as C. S. Lewis, Flannery O’Connor, and Morris West provide a forum for investigating the full depths of human existence — physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual. Priority for freshmen and sophomores. (Occasional)

REL 220 Illness, Medicine, and Healing in Asian Religions

An examination of the theories and practices of illness and healing in Hindu, Buddhist, Chinese, and Asian folk traditions; the interactions of Asian models with modern Western biomedical traditions; and the rapidly changing vocation of medicine. This course explores how people in Asia understand the sacred, the meaning of life, pain and suffering, human and divine agency, the role of the individual and community, the authority of healers, and how tradition and modernity affect these views. Students read primary and secondary source materials in religion, medicine, medical anthropology, and sociology; engage in panel discussions and debates; and view films. PREQ: One course in Asian religions or Asian studies, or instructor permission. (Every other year)

REL 235 Images of Jesus and Early Christian Identity

An analysis of the multi-faceted nature of early Christian images and portrayals of Jesus. Beginning in the Gospels and moving outward exploring the images of Jesus in Paul, Hebrews, and Revelation, this course serves as an introduction to the New Testament as a whole. Some time also will be spent examining other early

Christian texts such as the Gospel of Thomas, the Infancy Gospel of James, and Jesus in early Christian art. Attention also will be placed on the modern discussion of the historical figure of Jesus, including Jesus in film. (Every other year)

REL 240 Gender and Early Christianity

An exploration of the multi-faceted images of women in early Christianity, paying attention to the way in which culture, society, and ideology/theology inform the construction of gender identity. This course also will serve to introduce the student to the wonderfully dynamic world of early Christian literature, moving beyond the canon into second and third century Christian texts. (Every other year)

REL 250 Topics in Religious Studies

Studies of particular issues in religious thought and practice. These topics are more specific than the broad introductory courses, but generally require no prerequisites. They are taught at different times, depending on student and faculty interests. May be repeated when topic varies. (Typically at least one each year) The following courses are examples:

- Violence and Nonviolence in Asian Religious Traditions
- Rituals in the Hindu Tradition
- The Erotic and the Ascetic in Indian Traditions
- Tibetan Buddhism and Politics
- Buddhist Philosophy
- Religion and Art of India and Tibet
- Religion, Sex, and Sexuality
- What Is Religion?

REL 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

REL 265 Christian Ethics

A critical study of Christian faith (as theory and praxis) as it affects the ways in which Christians view and act in our complex world. Major types of ethical strategies (biblical, philosophical, historical, and contemporary) will be examined, followed by case studies on issues such as lifestyle, sex, medical ethics, and war. (Occasional)

REL 270 Development of Catholic and Protestant Thought

An introduction to the historical development of Christian thought — formative people, places, issues, ideas, and events. Working with selections from primary sources, the course begins with Christianity as part of the Jewish faith and traces the changes and continuities that define Christian faith up to the present. (Every other year)

REL 292 Intermediate Independent Study Off-Campus

See program director for more information about this course. Offered for variable course credit.

REL 301, 302, 303 Method and Theory in the Study of Religion

A history of the discipline of religious studies, focusing on the diversity of disciplines and approaches that have been used to construct the nature and meaning of religion. Students will explore the contributions of important texts/authors/insights within sociology, psychology, anthropology, philosophy, archaeology, ritual studies,

gender studies, literary and textual studies, historical studies, phenomenology, hermeneutics, etc., as these fields have shaped the nature of religious studies. Special attention will be paid to how these approaches function in constructing assumptions and drawing conclusions within the study of Asian religions, biblical studies, or theological studies. PREQ: any two 100 level courses in religious studies or instructor permission. (Each year)

REL 360 Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

REL 405 Indian and Tibetan Philosophies

An in-depth exploration of Indian and Tibetan Buddhist philosophical and ritual thought that has shaped South Asian and Tibetan Buddhist history. This course explores narratives, philosophical texts, and ritual manuals and practices. Through primary and secondary source materials, the competing positions of various schools of Indian and Tibetan thought on issues of epistemology, metaphysics, and ethics are traced. PREQ: Religious Studies 110 and one other course in religious studies or Instructor permission. (Every other year)

REL 435 Early Christian Texts

An examination of the rhetorical, social, cultural, theological-symbolic, and ideological contexts of diverse early Christian texts, traditions, and communities, with focus also on issues related to modern interpretation. The specific content will vary, but will always include wide exposure to fundamental issues related to methods, theories, and the history of the discipline of New Testament and Christian origins. Some special topics have been:

1. The validity of the construction of apostolic authority established by Eusebius in his Ecclesiastical History by examination of relevant second and third century sources.
2. An analysis of the letter to Philemon as an example of the complexity involved in entering the first-century world of early Christianity.
3. The exploration of Jewish and/or Greco-Roman backgrounds to early Christian culture and thought.

PREQ: Religious Studies 135 and one other course in Religious studies or instructor permission. (Every other year)

REL 350, 450 Advanced Topics in Religious Studies

A variety of courses focusing on theories and practices of textual interpretation. They are taught at different times, depending on student and faculty interests. Prerequisites vary. May be repeated when topic varies. (Typically at least one each year) The following courses are examples:

- Readings in Hindu and Buddhist Texts
- Ritual Studies in Asian Traditions
- Body and Power in Asian Religions
- Feminist and Liberation Theology
- Hermeneutics
- The Bible and the Formation of the Secular Modern

REL 460 Advanced Directed Study (Variable course credit)

An opportunity for students to investigate subjects in religion that are not covered by regularly offered courses,

or to cover aspects of lower-level courses in greater depth. PREQ: at least two previous courses in religious studies (as specified by the instructor) or instructor permission.

REL 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular course in religious studies under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

REL 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

REL 491 Honors Thesis in Religious Studies

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

REL 492 Individual Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

SCIENCE

This program involves interdisciplinary study that includes material that crosses departmental and divisional lines. Occasionally, the program involves fields not regularly offered at the college.

SCI 201 Integrated Science

These courses integrate knowledge from multiple scientific disciplines with knowledge from the humanities and social sciences. The courses typically provide a global or historical perspective, they address the methods, goals, and purview of science, they explore how science is used to understand natural phenomena, and they discuss the interrelationships between science and society. Specific topics differ between particular courses, but in general the courses use scientific topics as a springboard to address more general societal and cultural issues. Courses that are currently offered include *Cases and Concepts in Science and Culture*, *Earth, Body, and Mind*, *Women and Science*, and *Evolution and Human Behavior*.

SCI 202 Atoms and Axioms

The course is about many things at many levels. It is certainly concerned with the nature of scientific thought; as a consequence, some details of scientific knowledge will be covered. But on a larger scale and very broadly, the course is about two great ideas in science: atoms and axioms; the former an example of an enduring hypothesis, the latter a manner of organizing and generating knowledge. Those ideas will be compared and contrasted; some of their interactions will be studied. The course begins with a historical viewpoint, examining the origins of our two major ideas in ancient Greece and developments during the scientific revolution. Then follows a lengthy philosophical interlude on the nature of scientific thought in general. The course then takes up again the historical development of our two main ideas into the 20th century. It ends with reflections on

uncertainty and the nature of scientific thought. The course will include a laboratory component. Offered on an occasional basis.

SCI 250 Intermediate Topics in Science

Introductory courses on materials that cross departmental and divisional lines or involve fields not regularly offered at the college. May be repeated when topic varies.

SCI 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Science

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SCI 350 Advanced Topics in Science

Advanced courses on materials which cross departmental and divisional lines or involve fields not regularly offered at the college. May be repeated when topic varies.

SCI 460 Advanced Directed Study in Science

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SCI 490 Independent Study in Science

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

SOCIAL SCIENCE

This program may involve interdisciplinary study that includes material that crosses departmental lines. Occasionally, the program involves fields not regularly offered at the college.

SSCI 120 Social Science Statistics

Basic social science statistics used to summarize data, describe relationships between variables, and make inferences from samples to estimate population parameters. Discussion of theory of probability and probability distributions, hypothesis testing, and exploration of computer packages. Preliminary to methods courses and some upper-level courses in business administration, economics, psychology, and sociology. May not be taken by students who have completed Mathematics 120 or equivalent. (Each fall and spring)

SSCI 250 Intermediate Topics in Social Science

Introductory courses on materials that cross departmental and divisional lines or involve fields not regularly offered at the college. May be repeated when topic varies.

SSCI 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Social Science

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SSCI 350 Advanced Topics in Social Science

Advanced courses on materials which cross departmental and divisional lines or involve fields not regularly offered at the college. May be repeated when topic varies.

SSCI 460 Advanced Directed Study in Social Science

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SSCI 490 Independent Study in Social Science

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY

Chair: Bart Dredge

Faculty: Terry Hoops

Visiting Faculty: Brian Watkins

Emeritus: Dan Schores

The mission of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology is to convey the varieties of socio-cultural perspectives and to introduce research methods employed in understanding human societies. Students can major or minor in sociology and can minor in anthropology. Through the avenue of individually designed majors, it is possible to incorporate aspects of anthropology and related fields and/or work with off-campus resources for an anthropological studies major.

Degrees Offered in Sociology and Anthropology

Minor in Anthropology

Individually-design Major in Anthropological Studies

Major in Sociology

Minor in Sociology

ANTHROPOLOGY

Anthropology examines human cultural diversity both across space and time. The discipline is divided into four distinct sub-fields — socio-cultural anthropology, archeology, physical anthropology, and linguistic anthropology. All four sub-fields explore how culture shapes the human experience, the forces and processes that have shaped human biological uniqueness and social differences over time, and the multiple ways in which human societies are similar to and different from each other. Socio-cultural anthropology, the sub-field emphasized at Austin College, investigates the human experience within different cultural settings by actually entering into those cultures and studying those groups from their own perspectives. The courses we offer explore a wide range of societies and communities, from gatherers and hunters to tribal peoples, peasants, urban

dwellers in different corners of the globe, and ethnically distinctive groups in the United States and around the world. Courses deal comparatively with timeless and contemporary issues such as why humans war (when they prefer peace), how language shapes cultural identity, why humans alone are religious (in so many different ways), the nature of power in human social relations, the diversity of ways that gender identities and gender relations are constructed in human societies, the origins of race and ethnicity as markers of identity, and the complex interplay of global flows and local realities, especially in the context of the lives and struggles of indigenous peoples. As an integrative science, anthropology has links to other disciplines and programs including history, biology, religion, environmental studies, gender studies, area studies programs, and the other social sciences.

A **minor in anthropology** consists of:

Required Courses (2 courses)

- _____ ANTH 123 Cultural Anthropology
- _____ ANTH 270 Research Methods

Electives (3 courses)

- _____ ANTH course any level
- _____ ANTH course 300 level or higher
- _____ Course related to cultural anthropology from another department

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

The Individually-Designed Major in Anthropological Studies

With departmental permission and in collaboration with faculty, students may create their own “individually designed major” in Anthropological Studies. Such a major would require a coherent combination of courses that would incorporate aspects of Anthropology and collateral fields and/or working with appropriate and approved off-campus resources. This option works best when students pursue such a major early in their time at Austin College.

SOCIOLOGY

Thinking sociologically requires more than just the acquisition of knowledge — it demands that we break free from the immediacy of personal circumstances and experiences. The sociology major and minor offers students the opportunity to stand outside their experiences — and those of others — and consider them anew. To achieve this, students learn to see and appreciate the complexities of social life, and learn to understand society and individuals in a variety of settings. Sociology majors find themselves prepared for graduate study in sociology, law, social work, gerontology, communication, criminal justice, urban planning, the ministry, and a variety of other fields. Additionally, they are equipped to navigate in business and corporate settings, work in social agencies, formulate public policy, contribute to and evaluate community-based programs, and prepare for teaching (especially at the secondary level).

A **major in sociology** consists of:

Required Courses (3 courses)

- _____ SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
- _____ SOC 240 Social Theory
- _____ SOC 270 Research Methods

Advanced Courses (3 courses)

- _____ SOC 345 Sociology of Religion
- _____ SOC 350 Advanced Topics in Sociology
- _____ SOC 365 Race and Ethnic Relations
- _____ SOC 385 Social Movements
- _____ SOC 405 Writing Workshop
- _____ SOC 445 Issues in Higher Education
- _____ SOC 450 Advanced Topics in Sociology
- _____ SOC 460 Advanced Directed Study
- _____ SOC 490 Independent Study
- _____ SOC 491 Sociology Honors Thesis
- _____ SOC 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Alternative Electives (2 courses)

- _____ SOC 121 Marriage and Family
- _____ SOC 236 Sociology of the City
- _____ SOC 245 Law and Society
- _____ SOC 250 Topics in Sociology
- _____ SOC 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Total Credits Requirement (8 courses)

A **minor in sociology** consists of:

Required Courses (3 courses)

- _____ SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
- _____ SOC 240 Social Theory
- _____ SOC 270 Research Methods

Advanced Courses (1 course)

- _____ SOC 345 Sociology of Religion
- _____ SOC 350 Advanced Topics in Sociology
- _____ SOC 365 Race and Ethnic Relations
- _____ SOC 385 Social Movements
- _____ SOC 405 Writing Workshop
- _____ SOC 445 Issues in Higher Education
- _____ SOC 450 Advanced Topics in Sociology
- _____ SOC 460 Advanced Directed Study
- _____ SOC 490 Independent Study
- _____ SOC 491 Sociology Honors Thesis
- _____ SOC 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Alternative Electives (1 courses)

- _____ SOC 121 Marriage and Family
- _____ SOC 236 Sociology of the City
- _____ SOC 245 Law and Society
- _____ SOC 250 Topics in Sociology
- _____ SOC 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

COURSES IN ANTHROPOLOGY

ANTH 123 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

Introduces and explores a unifying theme of cultural anthropology: by exploring the variety of ways people live in the world, we may know much about what it means to be human. Explores concepts, theories, methods of research, and the historical development of the discipline. A comparative exploration of various societies around the world offers insights on family and kinship, inequality and power, religious beliefs and values, economics, environment and technology, gender relations, and contemporary issues facing societies and communities today. Examines cultural change and the impact of industrialized societies and global forces on traditional societies. (Each fall and spring)

ANTH 236 Anthropology of the City

Focuses on the emergence of cities in human society, the cross-cultural study of contemporary urbanization and urban life, social and cultural problems common to cities in Third World societies and the United States, the role of the city as a cultural symbol, and the city's role in shaping contemporary national societies. PREQ: Anthropology 123 or Sociology 101. See Sociology 236; students can earn credit for either Sociology 236 or Anthropology 236, but not both. (Offered on occasional basis)

ANTH 250 Topics in Anthropology

An introductory course on special subjects. Recent courses include Human Rights and Social Justice, Screening Difference: Film and Ethnography, Asians in America, Language and Culture, and Native North America. May be repeated when topic varies.

ANTH 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ANTH 270 Research Methods (see Sociology 270)

An introduction to the production of scientifically and ethically creditable knowledge concerning human behavior. Research design and research project proposals included. (fall 2014 – every third semester)

ANTH 263 Whose Amazon?: Environment, Society, and Development in the Amazon River Basin

An examination of the issues facing the peoples and environment of the Amazon River Basin from a political ecology perspective. The course examines environmental conditions and issues in the region, the impact of national and multinational development efforts (mining, oil exploration, road and dam building, deforestation) and development theory on the environment and peoples of the area, and conflicts of interest among different groups in the area (settler, native peoples, states, multinational corporations, miners, ranchers). A critical examination of the theories of development and modernization, sustainable development, nation-building, ethnicity, environmentalism (global warming, etc) and biodiversity will inform the course. (Offered on occasional basis)

ANTH 265 Latin American Societies and Culture

An exploration of the forces that have shaped Latin American culture, of indigenous cultures before and after the conquest, the cultural and economic effects of colonialism on contemporary culture, the struggle for cultural and political emancipation by indigenous peoples, peasants and workers, the forging of national and ethnic identities, and the impact of modernization on communities and nations. We examine the human experience in Latin America from an anthropological perspective, probing such issues as how ethnicity and class have intersected in forging national cultures, the changing relationships between gender and power, the dynamics of

grass-roots social and resistance movements, the impacts of liberation theology and Protestantism on religious and political practices, the debates over economic development and neo-liberal policies, the responses to a heritage of violence, and the struggle of Latin Americans to define their place in a global setting. No prerequisites. (Offered on occasional basis)

ANTH 315 War and Peacemaking

Explores the study of warfare and peacemaking from an anthropological perspective. Some of the questions this course will address include: Are humans biologically inclined to aggression and warfare? Why (and how) is tribal warfare so different from modern warfare? What drives nations and individuals to go to war? Why do justice (and revolutionary) movements often resort to violence? How do ethnic groups and indigenous societies resist more powerful and violent states? How do weapons of mass destruction change the rules of warfare? How does non-violent resistance respond to the forces that create warfare? PREQ: Anthropology 123 or 235, or Sociology 101, or instructor permission. (Offered on occasional basis)

ANTH 362 Immigration Policy and the Immigrant Experience

Focuses on the debates about immigration policy and the immigrant experience in the US from an anthropological perspective. The course examines the debates about US immigration policy during the last forty years, the contradictory role of the ICE and the Department of Homeland Security as gatekeeper of the country's borders, the shifting definitions of border, citizen, refugee and immigrant. The course also focuses on the immigrant experiences of Asians (particularly SE Asians) and Latin Americans (particularly Mexicans, Central Americans and Haitians), examining the conditions that led to their exodus, the "crossing over" processes into the US, and the experiences of constituting diaspora immigrant communities in the US. PREQ: Anthropology 123 or Sociology 101 or instructor permission. (Offered on occasional basis)

ANTH 365 Race and Ethnic Relations

A comprehensive examination of race and ethnicity as central categories of social experience. Topics include people's identities and the inequalities they experience, especially as these are perpetuated within the family, education, religion, and other social institutions in society. See Sociology 365; students can earn credit for either Anthropology 365 or Sociology 365, but not both. (fall 2015)

ANTH 450 Advanced Topics in Anthropology

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. PREQ: Anthropology 123. 1 course credit.

ANTH 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

ANTH 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular anthropology course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

ANTH 490 Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

ANTH 491 Honors Thesis in Anthropology

Extensive independent study in the major in a topic of special interest culminating in a bachelor's thesis with oral examination by thesis committee resulting in a Bachelor's degree with Honors upon completion. See Departmental Honors Program for more information. Completed in last three semesters before graduation. Offered for variable course credit from 1.00-2.00.

ANTH 492 Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

COURSES IN SOCIOLOGY**SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology**

An introduction to the study of human groups, communities, societies, cultures, and social factors in the explanation of human behavior. Limited research experiences may be employed. (Each fall and spring)

SOC 121 Marriage and Family

A study of social patterns and issues involved in family systems and preparation for marriage, emphasizing recent historical western society with some comparisons to other cultures. (Offered on occasional basis)

SOC 236 Sociology of the City (see Anthropology 236)

Students can earn credit for either Sociology 236 or Anthropology 236, but not both.

SOC 240 Social Theory

A critical examination of classical social thought. The course uses the Hobbesian "problem of order" as a starting point for the investigation of many of the important social theorists who lived and wrote prior to the 1920s. Primary source reading will enhance class discussions. (fall 2014 – every third semester)

SOC 245 Law and Society

An exploration of the evolution and function of law in modern society. Topics include the history of American legal thought; the "criminal law revolution;" challenges to the current system of tort law in the United States; and the contemporary application of various protections of the Bill of Rights. Of interest to all students interested in a liberal arts approach to the law.

SOC 250 Topics in Sociology

An introductory course on special subjects. Recent topics have included social psychology, childhood and adolescence and medical sociology. May be repeated when topic varies.

SOC 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

SOC 270 Research Methods

An introduction to the production of scientifically and ethically creditable knowledge concerning human

behavior. Research design and research project proposals included. See Anthropology 270; students can earn credit for Sociology 270 or Anthropology 270, but not both. (fall 2014 – every third semester)

SOC 345 Sociology of Religion

Students investigate classical and contemporary approaches to the study of religion and society. Stressed in the course are the importance of modern secularization; the multi-dimensionality of religious behavior; the process of religious socialization; the various individual and social functions of religion; and the importance of prophetic religion in contemporary life. (spring 2015)

SOC 350 Advanced Topics in Sociology

A study of selected topics offered on an occasional basis. Recent topics include Child Labor in the United States; the Social Gospel Movement; and the Social History of American Education. (Upcoming: Social Gospel Movement Spring 2016; Medical Sociology Fall 2016). May be repeated for credit when topic varies.

SOC 365 Race and Ethnic Relations

A comprehensive examination of race and ethnicity as central categories of social experience. Topics include people's identities and the inequalities they experience, especially as these are perpetuated within the family, education, religion, and other social institutions in society. See Anthropology 365; students can earn credit for Sociology 365 or Anthropology 365, but not both. (fall 2015)

SOC 385 Social Movements

An historical and comparative examination of the theoretical and practical potential for social and political change. The course considers traditional theories of collective behavior as well as recent contributions to the understanding of social and political movements. The focus of the course ranges from the civil rights movement, the environmental movement, the "Tea Party" movement, and the American labor movement—itsself the paradigmatic example of movement dynamics. PREQ: Sociology 101 or Instructor permission. (fall 2014)

SOC 405 Writing Workshop

An intensive writing workshop intended for all students committed to developing a professional level of writing competence. Students focus fifteen (15) essays on a variety of topics including scholarly articles, chapters, and books. Student essays are mounted for overhead projection and discussion with the class; and students meet with the instructor on a rotational basis for a close discussion of their essays. Class size limited to fifteen. PREQ: instructor permission. (Offered on an occasional basis)

SOC 445 Issues in Higher Education

A course that puts the Austin College experience into a larger historical, pedagogical, and legal context. For example, students the history of higher education in the United States; academic freedom and tenure; the moral responsibility of the college; the problem of "hate speech;" and the creation of the intellectual canon. Intended for students considering law, medical, divinity and graduate school—and all others interested in higher education. PREQ: instructor permission. (Offered on occasional basis)

SOC 450 Advanced Topics in Sociology

A study of various sub-fields or major theorists. Sample subjects include contemporary social theory, and occupations and professions. PREQ: Sociology 101 or instructor permission. May be repeated when topic varies.

SOC 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

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SOC 492: Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

SOUTHWESTERN AND MEXICAN STUDIES

Director: Julie Hempel

College Archivist and Assistant Director: Justin Banks

Southwestern and Mexican Studies (CSMS) promotes collaborative learning between students and faculty members, with special emphasis on the intersection of Latino and Anglo cultures in Texas and Mexico.

A minor in Southwestern and Mexican studies consists of:

Regional Focus (2 courses)

_____ Course with focus on southwestern United States: _____

_____ Course with focus on Mexico: _____

Advanced Elective (1 course)

_____ Course with southwestern US and Mexico focus at 300 level or higher: _____

Electives (2 courses)

_____ Course with southwestern US and Mexico focus: _____

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Language Requirement

_____ Language competency in Spanish through the 202 level is also required.

Other Considerations When Planning for this Minor:

- Disciplinary courses approved for the minor in Southwestern and Mexican studies are listed in the course schedule each term and coded “SW.”
- Courses are regularly offered in the following programs: Anthropology, History, English, Philosophy, and Spanish.
- Consult with program faculty for course approval.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

TEACHER EDUCATION

Chair: Barbara Sylvester

Faculty: Sandy Philipose, Julia Shahid, Jane White

Adjunct Faculty: Cathy Weems

Emeritus: John White

The Austin Teacher Program (ATP) prepares teachers through a rigorous five-year experiential program combining an undergraduate liberal arts degree with a Master of Arts in Teaching degree culminating in initial certification. It is the mission of the program to prepare empowered professional decision makers through course work and field experiences that require collaboration, critique, inquiry, and reflection. Texas Teacher Certification is available only upon completion of BA, MAT, and Texas Education Agency requirements.

[THE AUSTIN TEACHER PROGRAM](#)

Austin College offers prospective teachers a five-year teacher education program, which terminates with the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree. The primary goal of teacher education at Austin College is to prepare teachers who will have the breadth and depth of intellectual development that is afforded by a vigorous undergraduate liberal arts education. The program strives to educate individuals who will be active learners in their personal and professional lives, who will become dedicated and creative teachers, and who will be educational leaders in their schools. Austin College is an initial certifying agency and cannot grant a MAT degree to anyone already holding any type of teaching certificate.

A **minor in education** consists of:

- _____ EDUC 115
- _____ EDUC 225
- _____ EDUC 351
- _____ EDUC 475
- _____ Approved Elective

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Prerequisite courses must be passed with a grade of C or higher.
- Courses in the minor must be taken for a grade.
- A minor in Education is not required to pursue the MAT.

Total Credits Requirement (5 courses)

CERTIFICATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Austin Teacher Program (ATP) is fully accredited through the Texas State Board for Educator Certification, a division of the Texas Education Agency. Upon completion of all certification requirements, a Texas teaching certificate is obtainable in one of five categories:

1. Early childhood through grade 6 generalist (EC-6);
2. Grades 4 through 8 (social studies, English language arts and reading, mathematics, science, or English language arts and reading/social studies);
3. Grades 6 through 12 (physical science)
4. Grades 7 through 12 (English language arts and reading, history, life science mathematics, and speech)
5. An all-level certificate in physical education, art, music, theatre, languages other than English (French, German, Latin, or Spanish).

A listing of requirements for teaching fields is available in the ATP office and on the ATP Web site (<http://www.austincollege.edu/academics/austin-teacher-program/>). The Texas Education Agency has the power to change minimum requirements at any time.

TITLE II Information: As mandated by the Title II Act and made available on the Title II Web site (www.titleII.org), the following table provides information about the pass rates on the TExES exams required for certification:

Title II Report Data for Cohort Years 2012 & 2013: Pass Rates

| | 2012 | 2013 |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Pedagogy & Professional Responsibility | 100% | 100% |
| Academic Content | 100% | 100% |
| Summary Pass Rates | 100% | 100% |
| Number in Cohort | 17 | 16 |

ADMISSION TO THE GRADUATE PHASE OF THE AUSTIN TEACHER PROGRAM

Admission to the graduate phase of the Austin Teacher Program acknowledges the student's potential for graduate professional study and initial certification. Students formally apply when they are enrolled in Education 475. Admission is determined by the ATP Admissions Committee comprised of faculty members from various departments of the college as well as ATP faculty.

Requirements for Admission to the Graduate Program:

1. Satisfactory completion of Education 475 with a grade of B- or better;
2. Successful instructor teaching evaluation in Education 475 with a grade of B- or better;
3. A bachelor's degree from Austin College or another institution and official transcripts of all undergraduate credits earned at any institution of higher education;
4. Completion of all undergraduate certification requirements including general education and teaching field(s)
5. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 in all courses at the undergraduate level and 3.00 in the major area or teaching field(s);
6. Three recommendations generally including at least one Austin College faculty member in the student's major or certification field and a recommendation from an ATP faculty member with whom they have worked.
7. Approval by the Austin Teacher Program Admission Committee;
8. Completion of the Austin College writing, quantitative, and foreign language competencies.

Note: Students may petition to take up to a maximum of three graduate courses prior to formal admission to the graduate program. Education 475 is a prerequisite to all graduate courses or instructor permission must be sought. Students must be in good academic and social standing, and their requests must be approved by their ATP advisor as well as the program chair.

PROVISIONAL ADMISSION TO THE GRADUATE PHASE OF THE AUSTIN TEACHER PROGRAM

Although the ATP is a five-year program rather than a fifth-year program, it is possible for a qualified student who has a bachelor's degree from Austin College or another institution to apply to enter the ATP as a provisional graduate student, completing first the necessary undergraduate courses required either by Austin College or the Texas State Board for Educator Certification. Details concerning admission to the ATP through this route may be obtained from the ATP Office. Austin College is an initial certifying agency and cannot grant a MAT degree to anyone already holding any type of teaching certificate.

Admitted individuals may be eligible to substitute experience and/or professional training directly related to the certificate being sought for part of the preparation requirements. The candidate must submit a letter to the director of the program who will then bring the matter before the Austin Teacher Program faculty. Final approval for waiver of requirements rests with that body.

Undergraduate Phase of the Austin Teacher Program

In the undergraduate phase of the ATP, students complete a major and a minor in their chosen areas of study, a sequence of undergraduate education courses, and liberal arts courses required for certification. Students will be assigned an ATP faculty member as an advisor and should work carefully with their ATP advisor, as well as their Austin College mentor, in planning their program of study.

Certification Field Content Requirements

Teaching field requirements are not necessarily the same as requirements for a major or minor. Students seeking EC-6 Generalist certification may select a major in one of the following academic fields: art, biology,

English, French, German, history, mathematics, music, exercise and sport science, psychology, Spanish, or communication studies.

Students seeking 4 through 8, 6 through 12, 7 through 12 or all-level certificates usually major in their teaching field.

A listing of requirements for each certification area is available in the ATP office and on the ATP Web site <http://www.austincollege.edu/academics/austin-teacher-program/>.

Undergraduate Education Courses

The undergraduate education courses required for admission to the graduate phase includes:

- Education 225 Schools and Society
- Education 351 The Learner-Teacher Interaction
- Education 475 The Learner, The Teacher, and The Curriculum
- Education 225, 351, and 475 all include classroom placements. A background check will be run for each teaching experience. School districts have the authority to deny access to their schools based on the results.

Students may choose to minor in Education. See description of the minor above.

Liberal Arts Courses Required for Certification

The courses listed below are required of **all** students seeking teaching certification. Other certificate specific requirements are listed on the Austin Teacher Program Web site.

- History 162 or 163 (U.S. History);
- One Psychology course: Choice of Educational Psychology or Life Span Psychology or approved course (Psychology 101 is a prerequisite);
- Foreign language competency as required by Austin College (three-semester equivalent);
- Writing competency as required by Austin College, and C/I or an English course;
- Quantitative competency as required by Austin College.

Graduate Phase of the Austin Teacher Program

In the graduate program, students engage in academic and professional studies focused on teaching. The graduate program requires nine course credits including six courses specific to each certification field, and a semester long graduate teaching experience with accompanying seminar.

Course Requirements for the MAT Degree

Early Childhood through Grade 6 Generalist: The EC-6 Generalist program includes following nine credits:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 530 Foundations of Literacy (1 course credit unit)
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)

- Education 532 Mathematics in the Elementary School (1 course credit unit)
- Education 533 Science and Social Studies in the Elementary School (1 course credit unit)
- Education 576 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary (2 course credit units)
- Education 577 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary School (concurrent with ED 576, 1 course credit unit)

Grades 4 through 8 (Social Studies, English Language Arts and Reading, Mathematics, Science, or English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies): The middle grade programs include following nine credits:

4 through 8 English Language Arts and Reading:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 530 Foundations of Literacy (1 course credit unit)
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 541 Secondary Instruction: English (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 576 or 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary/Secondary (2 course credit units)
- Education 577 or 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary/Secondary Schools (concurrent with ED 576, 1 course credit unit)

4 through 8 Social Studies:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 533 Science and Social Studies in the Elementary School (1 course credit unit)
- Education 542 Secondary Instruction: Social Science (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 576 or 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary/Secondary (2 course credit units)
- Education 577 or 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary/Secondary Schools (concurrent with ED 576, 1 course credit unit)

4 through 8 English Language Arts and Reading/Social Studies:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 541 Secondary Instruction: English (1 course credit unit)
- Education 542 Secondary Instruction: Social Science (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 576 or 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary/Secondary (2 course credit units)
- Education 577 or 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary/Secondary Schools (concurrent with ED 576, 1 course credit unit)

4 through 8 Mathematics:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 532 Mathematics in the Elementary School (1 course credit unit)
- Education 543 Secondary Instruction: Mathematics (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 576 or 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary/Secondary (2 course credit units)
- Education 577 or 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary/Secondary Schools (concurrent with ED 576, 1 course credit unit)

4 through 8 Science:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 533 Science and Social Studies in the Elementary School (1 course credit unit)
- Education 544 Secondary Instruction: Science (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 576 or 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary/Secondary (2 course credit units)
- Education 577 or 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary/Secondary Schools (concurrent with ED 576, 1 course credit unit)

Grades 6 through 12 and grades 7 through 12: These programs include the following nine credits:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 (1 course credit unit)
 - NOTE: Education 532 (required for mathematics teaching field, 1 course credit unit)
- Education 541-546 Secondary Instruction (selected by academic area, 1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Secondary (2 course credit units)
- Education 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Secondary School (concurrent with ED 584, 1 course credit unit)
- One elective graduate courses in the teaching field(s) (1 course credit units)

All-Level Program in Art, Languages Other Than English, Music, Physical Education, or Theatre: The all-level programs include the following nine credits:

All-Level Art:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 (1 course credit unit)

- Elementary content courses (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 594 Graduate Teaching Experience, All-Level (2 course credit units)
- Education 595 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, All-Level (concurrent with Education 594, 1 course credit unit)
- Education 546 Teaching Art in the School (1 course credit unit)
- One elective graduate course in education or art (1 course credit unit)

All-Level Languages Other Than English:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 530 (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 594 Graduate Teaching Experience, All-Level (2 course credit units)
- Education 595 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, All-Level (concurrent with Education 594, 1 course credit unit)
- Modern Languages 503 Teaching Modern Languages (1 course credit unit)
- One elective graduate course in change Spanish, French, Latin, or German (1 course credit unit)

All-Level Music:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 594 Graduate Teaching Experience, All-Level (2 course credit units)
- Education 595 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, All-Level (concurrent with Education 594, 1 course credit unit)
- Education 546 Teaching Music in the School (1 course credit unit)
- One elective graduate course in education or music (1 course credit unit)

All-Level Physical Education:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers
- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 594 Graduate Teaching Experience, All-Level (2 course credit units)
- Education 595 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, All-Level (concurrent with ED 594, 1 course credit unit)
- Exercise and Sport Science 562 Current Trends in Elementary and Secondary Exercise and Sport Science (1 course credit unit)
- One elective graduate course in education or physical education (1 course credit unit)

All-Level Theatre:

- Education 520 Educational Foundations
- Education 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers

- Education 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies (1 course credit unit)
- Education 549 Secondary Education (1 course credit unit)
- Education 594 Graduate Teaching Experience, All-Level (2 course credit units)
- Education 595 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, All-Level (concurrent with Education 594, 1 course credit unit)
- Education 546 Teaching Theatre in the School (1 course credit unit)
- One elective graduate course in education or theatre (1 course credit unit)

Other Graduate Information

Minimum Grade Point Average: The required minimum grade point average in the graduate program is 3.00.

Undergraduate Enrollment in Graduate Courses: Students must petition to take graduate courses prior to formal admission to the graduate program. A maximum of three courses during the senior year is possible. These courses may count as dual undergraduate and graduate credit if necessary to meet the 34 credits required for the BA degree. Education 475 is a prerequisite to all graduate courses or instructor permission must be sought. Students must be in good academic and social standing, and their requests must be approved by their ATP advisor as well as the program chair.

Enrollment in and satisfactory completion of graduate courses do not guarantee admission to the graduate program.

Course Load: The maximum course load for a graduate student is three course credit units during the fall, spring, and summer terms. To be considered a full-time graduate student, one must enroll for a minimum of two course credit units during the fall and spring terms and one course credit unit during the summer term.

Transfer of Graduate Credits: A maximum of two graduate course credit units (eight semester hours) from an accredited institution may be applied toward the student's graduate degree program with the approval of the director of the graduate program and the registrar. All transfer graduate courses must have a grade of B or higher to be accepted for graduate requirements.

Time Limit for Completion of Graduate Program: All work that may be counted as credit toward the MAT degree must be completed within a period of two years from the time the student has completed the first graduate course. This time limit may be extended under some circumstances.

Graduate Grading System: The minimum passing grade in the graduate program is C. The grade of D is not used. Students receive letter grades in all graduate courses except Education 576, 584, or 594, which are evaluated as Satisfactory (S) or Unsatisfactory (U). The grade of S in these courses signifies achievement equivalent to an A or B.

Academic Probation and Termination for Graduate Students: Any graduate student whose graduate cumulative grade point average is below 3.00 will be placed on academic probation through the following term. If the grade point average is not raised to at least 3.00 by the end of the one-semester probationary period, the student will be dropped from the program unless an extension of probation is granted by the Academic Standing Committee. Students on academic probation may not register for the Graduate Teaching Experience (Education 576, 584, or 594).

Graduate Teaching: ATP graduate students must pass the TExES content certification examination in order to qualify for graduate teaching. The Pedagogy and Professional Responsibility TExES test is generally taken during the graduate teaching semester.

Graduate Teaching Fee: For students accepting graduate student teaching or internship positions more than 25 miles from Sherman, additional supervision fees are assessed. Consult the College Costs section of this Bulletin.

Eligibility for Certification: Students completing the MAT degree are eligible for certification in Texas upon passing the appropriate TExES exams and completing the application for certification. Certification candidates also must submit to a criminal history check conducted by the State Board for Educator Certification. At such time the college certification officer, with approval of the Austin Teacher Program Admission Committee, recommends the student to the State Board for Educator Certification for certification.

COURSES

Undergraduate Courses

EDUC 115 American Education: A Changing Landscape

Political, social, and economic issues both reflect and shape American schools. In this course, students will explore the often conflicting purposes and values that are revealed in issues such as bullying, social media, gender identity, and school athletics. Course activities may include guest speakers, personal research, collaborative projects, and technology-based presentations. Preference for Freshman (Offered each fall and spring beginning spring, 2015)

EDUC 225 Schools and Society

A critical study of schooling, teaching, and learning. Among topics to be analyzed: effective teaching, effective schools, equity issues, learning theory, and policy-making in education. Other activities include school placement responsibilities research projects and presentations. PREQ: Sophomore standing (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 250 Topics in Education

A study of selected topics offered on an occasional basis. May be repeated when the topic varies.

EDUC 251 Children's Literature

This course studies literature through a wide-ranging study of genre, author's craft, culture, themes, characterization. Students learn to use this literature as models for writing, comprehension strategies. Teaching strategies are created with each book that is read to clarify for students the learning potential for readers from beginning reading strategies like rhyming to sophisticated understandings about literacy and the world they live in.

EDUC 260 Intermediate Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

EDUC 351 The Learner-Teacher Interaction

A study of and experience with effective teaching practices. This course serves to inform students of the theoretical bases of effective teaching and to provide practice in developing specific teaching behaviors and

communication skills that are associated with effective teaching. This field-based and campus-based course focuses on three major areas – effective teacher-pupil interaction, pedagogical knowledge (including digital pedagogy) and learner diversity. The course requires a minimum of 35 hours in a classroom so students need to plan a daily schedule that allows a two-hour block of time for teaching. PREQ: Junior standing, Education 225 with a grade of B- or better, or instructor permission.

EDUC 460 Advanced Directed Study

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

EDUC 464 Teaching/Learning Participation

An individualized study that includes sharing in the instructional process for a particular political science course under the supervision of the faculty member teaching the course. Open only to certain highly qualified juniors and seniors by invitation. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information.

EDUC 475 The Learner, the Teacher, and The Curriculum

A study of and practice with planning and implementing instruction. Education 475 students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of instructional planning, classroom management, and effective teaching practices. Other topics include curriculum, classroom communication, strategies for differentiation, and the educational implications of brain research. The course requires a minimum of 45 hours in a classroom so students need to plan a daily schedule that allows a two-hour block of time for teaching. PREQ: Senior standing and completion of Education 475 checkpoint requirements. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 490: Independent Study

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

EDUC 492: Independent Study Off-Campus/NSOC

Student-driven independent study in a topic related to the major completed at an off-campus site. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

Graduate Courses

EDUC 520 Educational Foundations

Introduction to the historical, philosophical, and social foundations of education. It focuses on the following areas: (1) development of K-12 education in the United States and the schools of thought that have influenced American education, (2) the relationship between schools and society, with special emphasis on the impact on school laws and policies, and (3) meeting the needs of an increasingly diverse student population including special education students and English Language Learners. PREQ: Education 475. (Each spring and summer)

EDUC 530 Foundations of Literacy

Introduction to beginning literacy strategies. Students closely investigate the factors which promote successful literacy learning. Knowledge of the theoretical and developmental foundations of beginning literacy provides the perspective for classroom practices. Observing and documenting emergent reading behaviors, determining

prerequisites for literacy acquisition, and structuring a developmentally appropriate, print-rich learning environment for beginning readers are skills to be developed. Exploration of modifications in instruction that are crucial for early literacy learners as some struggle with dyslexia, vision or hearing issues or simply a lack of pre-requisite literacy experiences before school are included in planning. This course includes a teaching experience (fall and spring)

EDUC 531 Development of Literacy Processes and Competencies

This course focuses on personal definitions of reading and writing as a starting point. The graduate students' definitions coupled with their students' needs, including dyslexia modifications, and their expanding knowledge of more sophisticated literacy instruction is the goal of this class. College and Career Readiness Standards (secondary standards) and STAAR objectives (elementary standards) are important in this planning as well, leading all teachers (regardless of certification level) to teach students how to comprehend challenging texts and how to write in an analytical way in all content areas. This course includes a teaching experience. (Spring and summer)

EDUC 532 Mathematics in the Elementary School

Preparation of prospective elementary and middle school teachers of mathematics. Students learn to create positive learning experiences for their students as they acquire both mathematical concepts and computational skills and then apply them in problem-solving situations. Emphasis is placed on understanding the developing child and the impact that development has on instruction. Recommendations made by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics are stressed, including use of problem solving as an integral part of the curriculum, the importance continual assessment plays in instruction, and the integration of technology throughout the program. The course includes a seven-week field experience. PREQ: Education 475. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 533 Science and Social Studies in the Elementary School

Combination of the curriculum of science and social studies as taught in elementary/middle school based on how children learn best. Learning experiences are discussed, demonstrated, and practiced by students in this course as they prepare to become elementary/middle school teachers. Earth science, physical science, and life science topics are all included in the science strand. Both concepts and processes specific to science education are included. The social studies strand is built on a foundation of history, geography, economics, government, citizenship, culture, science, technology and society, and social studies skills. The course includes a field experience with graduate students teaching a summer camp for the local school district. PREQ: Education 475. (Each summer)

EDUC 540 Topics in Education

A study of selected topics. Variable course credit. May be repeated when topic varies. (Offered on an occasional basis)

EDUC 541-547 Secondary Instruction

In these courses students will focus on the content and pedagogy of their teaching field for middle and high school levels. Each of these courses includes a field experience. PREQ: Education 475. (fall and spring)

EDUC 541 Secondary Instruction: English

EDUC 542 Secondary Instruction: Social Science

EDUC 543 Secondary Instruction: Mathematics

EDUC 544 Secondary Instruction: Science

EDUC 546 Secondary Instruction: Fine Arts

EDUC 549 Secondary Education

Study of current practices and policies in American secondary schools. Students explore issues and challenges facing today's middle and high schools. Other topics studied include secondary school reform efforts, ways of assessing school effectiveness, alternative models for organizing secondary schools, adolescent development, and instructional models with an emphasis on differentiation and teaching for understanding. PREQ: Education 475. (Each summer and fall)

EDUC 550 Alternative Graduate Study

Alternative graduate offering. Occasionally a student may request an alternative graduate course for a graduate requirement for the MAT. Topics may vary depending on the needs of the student.

EDUC 560 Graduate Independent Study

See program faculty for more information.

EDUC 576 Graduate Teaching Experience, Elementary

Graduate teaching experience. This course provides graduate students with extended opportunities to increase competence through actual teaching experience as graduate student teachers or interns in public or approved private schools. During the practicum, students are observed and coached by ATP faculty members and school personnel. Students also engage in reflection about their own teaching. Variable course credit not to exceed two course credit units.

Student teachers follow the supervising teacher's schedule for the length of time designated. Interns are employed by a school district to teach on a part-time or full-time basis and report to the assigned school on the date specified in the contract. PREQ: successful completion of at least five graduate courses including all methods courses. May be repeated for a total of two course credit units. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 577 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Elementary School

A seminar course taken concurrently with Education 576. The course has three foci: instructional methods and strategies, the integration of reading and writing skills in the content areas, and the development of an understanding of the educational system, including legal and ethical aspects of teaching with emphasis upon the state and local structure. PREQ: successful completion of all graduate work leading to graduate teaching. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 584 Graduate Teaching Experience, Secondary

Graduate teaching experience. This course provides graduate students with extended opportunities to increase competence through actual teaching experience as graduate student teachers or interns in public or approved private schools. During the practicum, students are observed and coached by ATP faculty members and school personnel. Students also engage in reflection about their own teaching.

Student teachers follow the supervising teacher's schedule for the length of time designated. Interns are employed by a school district to teach on a part-time or full-time basis and report to the assigned school on the date specified in the contract. PREQ: successful completion of at least two graduate education courses, one of which is the appropriate secondary instruction course. Variable course credit not to exceed two course credit units. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 585 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, Secondary School

A seminar course taken concurrently with Education 584. The course has three foci: instructional methods and

strategies, the integration of reading and writing skills in the content areas, and the development of an understanding of the educational system, including legal and ethical aspects of teaching with emphasis upon state and local structure. PREQ: successful completion of all graduate work leading to graduate teaching. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 594 Graduate Teaching Experience, All-Level

Graduate teaching experience. This course provides graduate students with extended opportunities to increase competence through actual teaching experience as graduate student teachers or interns in public or approved private schools. During the practicum, students are observed and coached by ATP faculty members and school personnel. Students also engage in reflection about their own teaching.

Student teachers follow the supervising teacher's schedule for the length of time designated. Interns are employed by a school district to teach on a part-time or full-time basis and report to the assigned school on the date specified in the contract. PREQ: successful completion of at least two graduate education courses, one of which is the appropriate secondary instruction course. Variable course credit not to exceed two course credit units.. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 595 Instructional Strategies and Literacy in the Content Areas, All-Level

A seminar course taken concurrently with Education 594. The course has three foci: instructional methods and strategies, the integration of reading and writing skills in the content areas, and the development of an understanding of the educational system, including legal and ethical aspects of teaching with emphasis upon state and local structure. PREQ successful completion of all graduate work leading to graduate teaching. (Each fall and spring)

EDUC 598 Research and Assessment for Teachers

Classroom assessment issues and topics related to educational research. Methods of classroom evaluation, test construction, and test interpretation as well as purposes of testing and social, legal, and ethical issues connected with testing will be examined. The educational research segment of the course has two strands: the acquisition of necessary information to foster the research process, and an opportunity to develop a hands-on knowledge of both qualitative and quantitative research methodology. (Each fall and spring)

Exercise and Sport Science

ESS 562 Current Trends in Elementary and Secondary Exercise and Sport Science

Students will investigate a variety of concerns in physical education which will include trends in methodology, curriculum design, student evaluations, teacher evaluation, extra-curricular opportunities, and identification of concerns that could affect physical education and athletics in the future.

WESTERN INTELLECTUAL TRADITION

Director: Karánn Durland

The Great Books and great works of art are the foundation of a traditional liberal arts education. The Western intellectual tradition minor explores these materials through coordinated study in such fields as history, philosophy, literature, art history, music history, religious studies, and political theory. Major works by authors and artists from ancient times through the eighteenth century are emphasized.

A minor in Western intellectual tradition consists of:

Foundation Courses (2 courses)

- _____ HIST 133 Europe and the World to 1500 (or an approved substitute)
- _____ Either PHIL 220 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy or PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy

Electives* (3 courses; at least one of which is neither in history nor philosophy)

- _____ ARTH 231 Western Art: Ancient to Medieval
- _____ ARTH 232 Western Art: Renaissance to Modern
- _____ ARTH 345 Italian Renaissance Painting and Sculpture
- _____ ARTH 347 Baroque Painting and Sculpture
- _____ CLAS 106 Classical Mythology
- _____ CLAS 110 Greek Literature in Translation
- _____ CLAS 306 Advanced Study in Classical Mythology
- _____ ENG 331 Studies in Medieval British Literature
- _____ ENG 332 Studies in 16th Century British Literature
- _____ ENG 341 Studies in 17th Century British Literature
- _____ ENG 342 Studies in 18th Century British Literature
- _____ FR 353 French Literature to the French Revolution
- _____ GER 354 Studies in Literature and Society Through the 18th Century
- _____ HIST 333 Enlightenment and Revolutions
- _____ LAT 406 Latin Prose Authors
- _____ LAT 410 Roman Drama
- _____ LAT 412 Roman Epic
- _____ LAT 414 Studies in Medieval Latin
- _____ LAT 416 Roman Philosophers
- _____ LAT 404 Latin Lyric and Elegiac Poetry
- _____ MUS 240 Music History Through 1700
- _____ PHIL 220 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy (if not already taken)
- _____ PHIL 225 Early Modern Philosophy (if not already taken)
- _____ PSCI 420 Political Theory
- _____ PSCI 425 Political Philosophy and Religion
- _____ PSCI 428 The Origins of Modern Liberalism
- _____ REL 135 The Biblical Heritage
- _____ REL 235 Images of Jesus and Early Christian Identity
- _____ REL 270 Development of Catholic and Protestant Thought
- _____ REL 435 Early Christian Texts
- _____ THEA 142 Development of Dramatic Art I
- _____ WIT 250 Intermediate Topics in the Western Intellectual Tradition
- _____ WIT 260 Intermediate Directed Study in the Western Intellectual Tradition
- _____ WIT 360 Advanced Topics in the Western Intellectual Tradition
- _____ WIT 460 Advanced Directed Study in the Western Intellectual Tradition
- _____ WIT 490 Independent Study in the Western Intellectual Tradition

*This list of courses is not exhaustive, so search for relevant courses on Webhopper by selecting “WIT” as a search criterion.

Other Considerations When Planning for the Minor:

- Competence in a European language other than English is highly recommended, but not required.
- A January term, semester, or year abroad in Europe also is highly recommended, but not required.
- January term courses may not be used to satisfy the requirements for the minor.
- Other courses may be appropriate and relevant to students' specific interest and may be included with director's approval.

Total Credits Requirement (5 credits)

COURSES

WIT 250 Intermediate Topics in Western Intellectual Tradition

A study of selected topics for beginning students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. 1 course credit.

WIT 260 Intermediate Directed Study in Western Intellectual Tradition

Student investigation of topic of interest working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Freshman Jan Term or Sophomore standing. Special permission required. Offered in variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

WIT 350 Advanced Topics in Western Intellectual Tradition

An investigation of selected topics for more advanced students based on faculty and student interests. Offered on an occasional basis. Course may be repeated when topic varies. Prerequisites vary. 1 course credit.

WIT 460 Advanced Directed Study in Western Intellectual Tradition

Student investigation of topic of interest related to the major or minor working in collaboration with a faculty member resulting in significant oral and written work. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. Offered for variable course credit from 1/4-1.00.

WIT 490 Independent Study in the Western Intellectual Tradition

Student-driven independent work to produce a high quality body of work such as paper, report, art project, etc. See On-Campus Learning Opportunities for more information. PREQ: Junior or Senior standing. Special permission required. 1 course credit.

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Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, 1994. B.A., North Central College. M.S., Ph.D., Michigan State University.

Robert Barrie, Jr. (1970)

Professor Emeritus of English, 2007. B.A., Southwestern at Memphis. M.A., Ph.D., University of North Carolina.

Bonnie Jean Beardsley (1960)

Assistant Professor Emerita of Communication Arts, 1984. B.A., Austin College. M.A., University of Colorado. Further graduate study, University of Colorado.

Henry Hale Bucher, Jr. (1985)

Chaplain Emeritus and Associate Professor Emeritus of Humanities, 2004. B.A., American University of Beirut (Lebanon). M.Div., Princeton Theological Seminary. Sorbonne (Paris). M.A., Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Kathleen Campbell (1994)

Professor Emerita of Theatre, 2013. B.S., Northwestern University. M.A., Trinity University. M.A., Ph.D., University of Dallas.

Arvid John Carlson (1962)

Professor Emeritus of History, 1994. B.A., M.A., University of Michigan. Ph.D., Princeton University.

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Professor Emeritus of Economics, 2003. B.A., Yale University. M.Sc., London School of Economics. Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley.

Harry Harold Gibson, Jr. (1967)

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Professor Emeritus of English, 2008. B.A., Ph.D., Indiana University.

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Professor Emeritus of Classics, 2013. B.A., Ph.D., University of Texas at Austin.

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Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Education, 2000. B.S.C., University of Iowa. M.Div., University of Dubuque. M.A., Ph.D., University of Minnesota.

William Hamilton Moore III (1967)

Professor Emeritus of Humanities, 2002. B.A., Southwestern University. M.A., Ph.D., Harvard University.

William Dewey Narramore, Jr. (1975)

Professor Emeritus of Communication Arts, 2005. B.A., Austin College. M.F.A., University of Texas at Austin. Ph.D., Florida State University.

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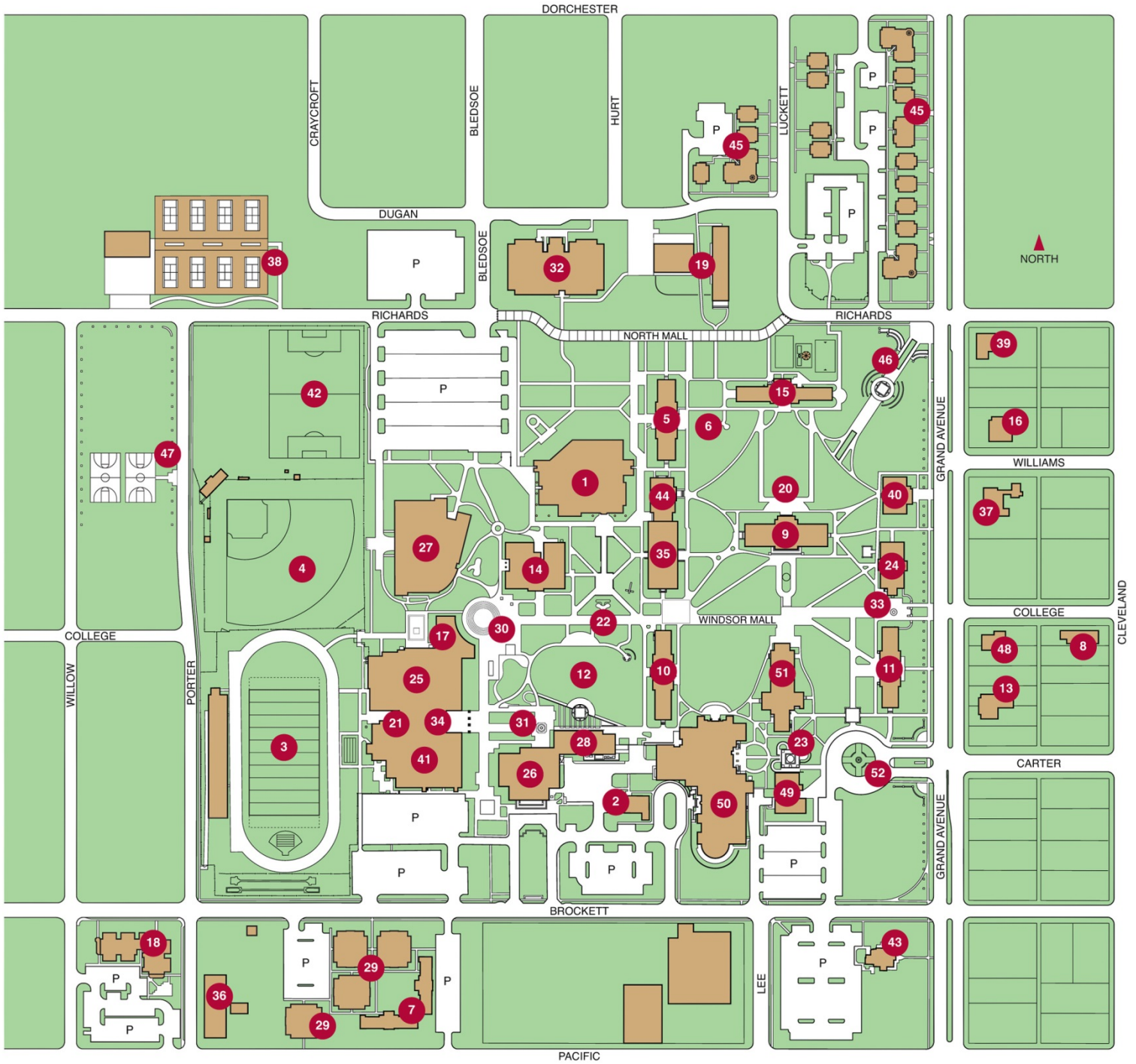
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| FALL TERM | 2014 |
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| New student conference | Aug 23-24 |
| New student registration | Aug 25-27 |
| Opening Convocation | Aug 27 |
| Classwork begins | Aug 28 |
| Last day to add a course | Sept 8 |
| Midterm Concern Report I due 4:00 p.m. | Sept 18 |
| Off-Campus January term registration II (Supplementary) | Sept 23-25 |
| Parents Weekend | Sept 19-21 |
| Fall break begins - 8:00 a.m. | Oct 10 |
| Classes resume - 8:00 a.m. | Oct 13 |
| Midterm Concern Report II due 4:00 p.m. | Oct 16 |
| Last day to change a grading system or drop a course without a grade | Oct 20 |
| On-campus January term registration | Oct 20-22 |
| Homecoming Weekend | Oct 31 - Nov 1 |
| Spring Term registration | Nov 10-13 |
| Thanksgiving break - 8:00 a.m. | Nov 24-28 |
| Classes resume - 8:00 a.m. | Dec 1 |
| Last day for a student to drop a course with a WP, WF, or WU | Dec 5 |
| Classes end | Dec 5 |
| Examinations begin | Dec 8 |
| Reading Day | Dec 10 |
| Fall term ends - 5:00 p.m. | Dec 12 |
| Fall Term Grades and previous term Incompletes Grades due 4:00 p.m. | Dec 18 |
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| JANUARY TERM | 2015 |
| Classwork begins | Jan 5 |
| Last day to add a course | Jan 7 |
| Last day to change a grading system or drop a course without a grade | Jan 15 |
| Last day for a student to drop a course with a WP, WF, or WU | Last day of instruction |
| January Term ends - 5:00 p.m. | Jan 27 |
| January Term Grades due 4:00 p.m. | Feb 9 |
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| SPRING TERM | 2015 |
| Classwork begins | Feb 2 |
| Last day to add a course | Feb 9 |
| Midterm Concern Report I due 4:00 p.m. | Feb 16 |
| Spring recess - 8:00 a.m. | Mar 9-13 |
| Classes resume - 8:00 a.m. | Mar 16 |
| Midterm Concern Report II due 4:00 p.m. | Mar 16 |
| Last day to change a grading system | Mar 30 |
| Last day to drop a course without a grade | Mar 30 |
| Fall term registration | Apr 13-15 |

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| Honors Convocation | Apr 23 |
| Off-Campus January Term Registration | May 5-7 |
| Last day for a student to drop a course with a WP, WF, or WU | May 8 |
| Classes end | May 8 |
| Examinations begin | May 11 |
| Reading Day | May 13 |
| Spring term ends - 5:00 p.m. | May 15 |
| Senior Grades due 12 noon | May 16 |
| Golden Roo Weekend | May 15-17 |
| Commencement | May 17 |
| Spring Term Grades and previous term Incompletes Grades due 4:00 p.m. | May 26 |
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| SUMMER TERM | 2015 |
| <i>(Graduate and off-campus courses may follow a different schedule)</i> | |
| Undergraduate on-campus classes begin | Jun 8 |
| Last day to add a course | Jun 11 |
| Last day to drop a course without a grade or change a grading system | Jul 1 |
| Independence Day holiday (classes do not meet) | Jul 4 (Sat) |
| Last day for a student to drop a course with a WP, WF, or WU | Last day of instruction |
| Undergraduate on-campus classes end | Jul 24 |
| Last day to register for a directed or independent study | Jul 27 |
| Last day to drop independent or directed study | Aug 19 |
| Summer term ends | Aug 19 |
| Summer Term Grades due 4:00 p.m. | Aug 21 |

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| 2. Adams Center | 20. Hall Graduation Court | 38. Russell Tennis Center |
| 3. Apple Stadium | 21. Hannah Natatorium | 39. Settles House |
| 4. Baker Athletic Field | 22. Hersh Memorial Garden | 40. Sherman Hall (Humanities) and Hoxie Thompson Auditorium |
| 5. Baker Residence Hall for Men | 23. Honors Court and Collins Fountain | 41. Sid Richardson Recreation Center |
| 6. Ella Barker Memorial Garden | 24. Hopkins Social Science Center | 42. Soccer Field |
| 7. Bryan Apartments | 25. Hughey Gymnasium | 43. Temple Center for Teaching and Learning at Thompson House |
| 8. Carruth Guest House | 26. Ida Green Communication Center | 44. Thompson Hall (Sciences) |
| 9. Caruth Administration Building | 27. IDEA Center | 45. The Village on Grand |
| 10. Caruth Residence Hall for Women | 28. Jackson Technology Center | 46. Williams Founders Plaza |
| 11. Clyce Residence Hall | 29. Johnson 'Roo Suites | 47. Williams Intramural Complex |
| 12. College Green | 30. Jonsson Fountain | 48. Windsor House |
| 13. Collins Alumni Center | 31. Jonsson Plaza | 49. Wortham Center |
| 14. Craig Hall for Music | 32. Jordan Family Language House | 50. Wright Campus Center |
| 15. Dean Residence Hall | 33. Kappa Fountain | 51. Wynne Chapel |
| 16. Detweiler House | 34. Mason Athletic-Recreation Complex | 52. Zauk Circle Drive and Garden |
| 17. Dickey Fitness Pavilion | 35. Moody Science Center | P = Parking |
| 18. The Flats at Brockett Court | 36. Physical Plant Building | |

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