

**ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**Presidential Scholars Core Curriculum**  
2008-2009

**Required Core Courses**

**Communications**

COM 110 Language and Communication 3 hrs.

**English**

ENG 145.12 Composition for Pres. Scholars 3 hrs.  
 (only offered in the fall)

**Interdisciplinary Studies**

IDS 102.70 PS Freshman Colloquium 1 hr.

IDS 102.XX PS Themed Colloquium 1 hr.

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Foreign Language \_\_\_\_\_

**College-level foreign language proficiency (credit for 115 required).**

LAN 111 First Year Part I 4 hrs.

LAN 112 First Year Part II 4 hrs.

LAN 115 Second Year Part I 4 hrs

Students may begin foreign language study at a higher level with appropriate background experience and receive credit for acquired proficiency (CAP) for courses not taken.

**Mathematics**

**Complete one of the following options:**

*Option 1* 120 Finite Mathematics 4 hrs.

121 Applied Calculus 4 hrs.

*Option 2* 145 Calculus I 4 hrs.

Note: Elementary Education and Nursing Majors complete a different math sequence. See PS Coordinator.

**Science**

**Complete one of the following options:**

*Option 1 Biological Sciences*

196 Biological Diversity 4 hrs. lab

197 Molecular & Cellular Basis of Life 4 hrs. lab

*Option 4 Physics (Algebra based)*

108 College Physics I 5 hrs. lab

109 College Physics II 5 hrs. lab

*Option 2 Chemistry*

140 General Chemistry I 4 hrs. lab

141 General Chemistry I 4 hrs. lab

*Option 5 Physics (Calculus based)*

110 Physics for Science & Engineering 4 hrs. lab

111 Physics for Science & Engineering II 4 hrs. lab

*Option 3 Geology*

102 Principles of Geology 3 hrs. lab

202 Evolution of the Earth 3 hrs.

203 Minerals, Rocks, Maps & Fossils 3 hrs. lab

Note: Physics course availability may be limited, especially in the fall semester, as seats are reserved for majors.

**Service Learning Experience**

**Interdisciplinary Studies**

202.71 P.S. Public Service Colloquium 3 hrs.

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**International Component** \_\_\_\_\_

Complete a minimum of 9 hours of coursework. Three options are available to fulfill this requirement.

*Option 1: Study Abroad*

Fall or spring semester of full-time study abroad

*Option 2: Area Studies*

Nine hours of course work focused on a specific geographical/cultural area

*Option 3: Combination Program*

Summer semester abroad and supplemental coursework must total nine hours. Depending on the length of the summer study abroad program and the amount of credit generated from the experience, students complete additional area studies courses to total the nine-hour requirement.

## Fine Arts *One course required outside of major*

Art		
155	Survey of Art I	3 hrs.
156	Survey of Art II	3 hrs.
176	Arts and Society: Visual Arts	3 hrs.
257	Survey of Art III	3 hrs.
275 ✓	World Arts: Visual Arts	3 hrs.

Music		
152	Experiencing Music	3 hrs.
176	Arts and Society: Music	3 hrs.
275 ✓	World Arts: Music	3 hrs.

Theatre		
152	Experiencing Theatre	3 hrs.
176.01	Arts and Society: Theatre	3 hrs.
176.02	Arts and Society: Film	3 hrs.
275.01 ✓	World Arts: Theatre	3 hrs.
275.02 ✓	World Arts: Film	3 hrs.

## Humanities *One course required outside of major*

English		
110	English Literature and Its Contexts	3 hrs.
125	Literary Narrative	3 hrs.
130	Survey of American Literature	3 hrs.
131	American Culture: Traditions and Texts	3 hrs.
150	World Literature to 14 <sup>th</sup> Century	3 hrs.
261	Women's Literature in a Global Context	3 hrs.

Foreign Languages		
106	Myth and Meaning	3 hrs.
125	Literary Narrative	3 hrs.

History		
101	Western Civilization to 1500	3 hrs.
102	Modern Western Civilization	3 hrs.
107	The Making of Europe	3 hrs.
131	American Culture: Traditions and Texts	3 hrs.

135	U.S. History to 1865	3 hrs.
136	U.S. History since 1865	3 hrs.
104.01 ✓	History of Africa	3 hrs.
104.02 ✓	History of East Asia	3 hrs.
104.03 ✓	History of Latin America	3 hrs.
104.04 ✓	History of Middle East	3 hrs.
104.05 ✓	History of South & South East Asia	3 hrs.
265 ✓	African Civilization	3 hrs.

Interdisciplinary Studies		
121.xx	Texts and Contexts	3 hrs.
203 ✓	Nations and Narrations	3 hrs.

Philosophy		
101	Basic Issues in Philosophy	3 hrs.
224	Meaning and Religious Belief	3 hrs.
232	Classic Western Moral Theories	3 hrs.
254	Ancient and Medieval Philosophy	3 hrs.
255	Modern Philosophy	3 hrs.

## Social Sciences *One course required outside of major*

Anthropology		
101	Human Origins	3 hrs.
175	Cross Cultural Perspectives on Contemporary Human Problems	3 hrs.
185 ✓	Cultures of the World	3 hrs.

Economics		
105	Principles of Economics	4 hrs.

Geography		
135 ✓	World Geography	3 hrs.
235 ✓	Geography of Emerging Areas	3 hrs.

Interdisciplinary Studies		
206	Geography and Politics of International Conflicts	3 hrs.

Politics and Government		
106	U.S. Gov't and Civic Practices	3 hrs.
140 ✓	Politics of Africa, Asia, & Latin Am.	3 hrs.
141	Intro. to European Politics	3 hrs.

Psychology		
110	Explaining Human Behavior	3 hrs.
111	Introduction to Psychology	3 hrs.
213	Life Span Development	3 hrs.
223	Social Psychology	3 hrs.

Sociology		
106	Introduction to Sociology	3 hrs.
223	Social Psychology	3 hrs.

Women's Studies		
120	Women, Gender and Society	3 hrs.

### Special Notes

- **First Major Department Courses: May not be used to fulfill the FA/H/SS requirements.** Only one course taught by the student's minor department may be used to fulfill the FA/H/SS requirements.
- **Approved Substitutions: Appropriate courses** (Advanced Placement, transfer, study abroad & honors colloquia) **may be substituted.**
- **Supplemental course: One** taken for the **Combination or Area Studies** for the International Component **may be used to meet FA/H/SS.**
- **Pass/fail: Courses cannot be taken CR/NC, except in rare circumstances; students must petition for this option prior to selecting it.**
- **"Global Studies" graduation requirement:** Courses with ✓ **designation** fulfill this (see catalog); not to be confused with Area Studies.
- **"Constitution" graduation requirement:** CJS 102, POL 101, 105 or 106 will fulfill this or students may take the Constitution Exam.