

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
Presidential Scholars Core Curriculum
2009-2010

Required Core Courses

Communication

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 2 Chemistry

140 General Chemistry I 4 hrs. lab

141 General Chemistry I 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

Option 4 Physics (Algebra based)

108 College Physics I 5 hrs. lab

109 College Physics II 5 hrs. lab

Option 5 Physics (Calculus based)

110 Physics for Science & Engineering 4 hrs. lab

111 Physics for Science & Engineering II 4 hrs. lab

Note: Physics course availability may be limited, especially in the fall semester, as seats are reserved for majors. Geology courses must include two labs; see PS Coordinator if requesting substitution.

Service Learning Experience

Interdisciplinary Studies

202.71 P.S. Service Learning Colloquium 3 hrs.

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International Component _____

Three options are available to fulfill this requirement.

Option 1: Study Abroad (12 hrs. min.)

Fall or spring semester of full-time study abroad

Option 2: Area Studies (9 hrs.)

Course work focused on a specific geographical/cultural area (list provided)

Option 3: Combination Program (9 hrs.)

Summer semester abroad and supplemental coursework are combined. Depending on length of study abroad program and amount of credit generated from the experience, students complete additional course(s) from area studies list.

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.
153 ✓	Black Music I	3 hrs.
154 ✓	Black Music II	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 th 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.xx ✓	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.

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.
213	Life Span Development	3 hrs.
223	Social Psychology	3 hrs.

Sociology		
106	Introduction to Sociology	3 hrs.
108	Contemporary Social Problems in Global Perspective	3 hrs.
220	Global Social Change	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** (e.g., Advanced Placement, transfer, study abroad & honors colloquia) occasionally may be substituted with permission from PS Coordinator, if deemed appropriate and comparable to Core courses.
- **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, PHI 104, POL 101, 105 or 106 will fulfill this or students may take the Constitution Exam (see University Testing Office for more information, including study guide links).