In 1804, a small group of young men arrived at the first seat of higher learning in the Old Northwest Territory to enroll for instruction in Greek and Latin, history, literature, mathematics, geometry, and physics. Then, as now, the best preparation for helping students meet the challenges of an unknown future was to offer a wide range of courses—a breadth of knowledge. Providentially, the founders had chosen to use a liberal arts model of connecting past to future through classic instruction. And so it was, with a tradition rooted firmly in the liberal arts, the fledgling college at the edge of the wilderness matured into the prestigious and many-faceted institution we know today as Ohio University.

The College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio University is proud to continue the tradition of providing a wide choice of traditional majors to discerning students, even as it offers an expanded and modern curricula, with both appropriate to a 21st century education. In addition to teaching specific knowledge and essential skills in tune with an ever changing world of work and technology, the underlying philosophy of an arts and sciences curricula promotes the love of lifelong learning.

The objectives of a liberal arts education, historically speaking, have been met through curricula that provide a fuller understanding of the human condition and the world around us, falling as they do, within the academic disciplines known as the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. It is the nature of courses such as these to reflect a breadth and scope from both the past and the future. Fortunately, for students enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences, they are the core of a modern liberal arts education.

In addition to a fundamental education acquired through instruction in the social sciences, natural sciences, foreign languages and other humanities, you will receive specialized knowledge in a major field of study that is likely to include a wide range of course options. Whether you pursue a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree, and whether you reach particular educational or career objectives with a “special curricula” major, or go with a time-honored “traditional” major, an Arts and Sciences degree is all about choice.

A significant number of students elect to finish two majors or two degrees for optimum use of their undergraduate years, while others add value by completing a minor or certificate program from the dozens offered. In addition, many departments in Arts and Sciences provide the opportunity for junior or senior level students who maintain a 3.50 g.p.a. to write a thesis and graduate with departmental honors. If you have not settled on a major before coming to the University, but are considering a major in Arts and Sciences, you are invited to apply as undeclared or “undecided” in Arts and Sciences.

The College of Arts and Sciences holds the distinction of being the largest and oldest college at Ohio University, yet to meet the needs of students, it is ever changing. For example, an exciting array of language and culture classes attracts students from all majors—time honored choices of Latin, Greek, French, German, and Spanish are available at beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels; but you may want to consider Russian, Italian, Japanese, Chinese, Swahili, or Arabic, instead of, or in addition to, more familiar languages. Another way to optimize the liberal arts experience is to participate in one or more of the incredible study abroad options in locations around the world.

Comprising 21 departments, the College of Arts and Sciences supports 32 “traditional” majors, nearly 50 special curricula majors with a specific career-related focus, the undeclared (“undecided”) option, 29 minors, and 7 certificate programs. College and departmental requirements for the B.A. and B.S. degrees are described in detail on the following pages, and in the Majors, Minors, and Certificate Programs section.
The College also includes the following six programs:

Master of Public Administration Program
Master of Environmental Studies Program
Master of Social Studies Program
Ohio Program of Intensive English (OPIE)
Ph.D. in Molecular and Cellular Biology Program

Departments offering master’s programs are Economics, Geography, Geological Sciences, Linguistics, Modern Languages, Philosophy, Political Science, Social Work, and Sociology and Anthropology. Master’s and doctoral programs are offered by the Departments of Biological Sciences, Chemistry and Biochemistry, English, Environmental and Plant Biology, History, Mathematics, Physics and Astronomy, and Psychology. Further information about the advanced degree programs can be found in the Ohio University Graduate Catalog.

Office of Student Affairs

The College of Arts and Sciences Office of Student Affairs assists students with academic concerns, such as advising and career choices, or change of major, as well as overseeing administrative matters related to academic progress, academic suspension, reinstatement, and graduation conferral. The office is located in Wilson Hall, suite 104, on the College Green and information is available on the Web at http://www.cas.ohiou.edu/undergrad/.

Degrees, Majors, Minors, and Certificates

The College offers two four-year degrees: the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and the Bachelor of Science (B.S.). The B.A. and B.S. degree programs differ in the language requirements (see “Foreign Language Requirements”) and in specific major course requirements as established by the department. Regardless of major, all Arts and Sciences degree students must meet basic, consistent requirements, including a minimum core program of no less than 36 quarter hours, with 16 hours at the 300-400 level. At least 50 percent of the major course credits must be completed at Ohio University to satisfy the residency policy of the University. For most majors, the B.A. or B.S. designation is determined by the program itself and is not subject to student inclination.

B.A. Degree Programs

A major for the B.A. degree may be completed in the following areas. This list is in alphabetical order by department and includes both traditional majors and special curricula (in italics):

**African American Studies**

African American Studies

**Anthropology**

Anthropology

**Chemistry and Biochemistry**

Chemistry

Environmental Chemistry

Pre-medicine

**Classics and World Religions**

Classical Civilization

Greek

Greek and Latin

Latin

World Religions

**Economics**

Economics

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

**English**

English

Creative Writing

Prelaw

Pretheology

**Environmental and Plant Biology**

Plant Biology

**Geography**

Geography

Urban and Regional Planning

**Geological Sciences**

Geological Sciences

**History**

History

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

Pretheology

**International Studies**

pre-major status*

International Studies—Africa

International Studies—Asia

International Studies—Europe

International Studies—Latin America

**Linguistics**

Linguistics

**Mathematics**

Mathematics

Meteorology

Prep. for Actuarial Sciences

Prep. for Advanced Training

**Modern Languages**

French

German

Russian

Spanish

**Philosophy**

Philosophy

Prelaw

Pretheology

**Physics and Astronomy**

Physics

**Political Science**

Political Science

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

Public Administration

**Psychology**

Psychology

**Social Work**

Pre–Social Work*

Social Work

**Sociology**

Sociology

Criminology

Prelaw

**Women’s Studies**

* Entry-level programs do not fulfill a degree and are intended as preparation for admission into a major or professional school or program.

**B.S. Degree Programs**

A major for the B.S. degree may be completed in the following areas. This list is in alphabetical order by department and includes both traditional majors and special curricula (in italics):

**Biological Sciences**

Biological Sciences

Cellular and Molecular Biology

Marine, Freshwater, and Environmental Biology

Microbiology

Pre–Physical Therapy

Pre–Professional Program (pre-dentistry, pre-medicine, pre-optometry, pre-veterinary medicine)

Wildlife and Conservation Biology

**Chemistry and Biochemistry**

Chemistry

Biochemistry

Environmental Chemistry

Forensic Chemistry

Prelaw

Preadvence

Prepharmacy

**Environmental and Plant Biology**

Plant Biology

Cell Biology and Biotechnology

Environmental Biology

Applied Ecology

**Geography**

Geography

Environmental Geography

Environmental Prelaw

Geographic Information Science

Meteorology

Urban and Regional Planning

**Geological Sciences**

Geological Sciences

**History**

History

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

Pretheology

**International Studies**

pre-major status*

International Studies—Africa

International Studies—Asia

International Studies—Europe

International Studies—Latin America

**Linguistics**

Linguistics

**Mathematics**

Mathematics

Meteorology

Prep. for Actuarial Sciences

Prep. for Advanced Training

**Modern Languages**

French

German

Russian

Spanish

**Philosophy**

Philosophy

Prelaw

Pretheology

**Physics and Astronomy**

Physics

**Political Science**

Political Science

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

Public Administration

**Psychology**

Psychology

**Social Work**

Pre–Social Work*

Social Work

**Sociology**

Sociology

Criminology

Prelaw

**Women’s Studies**

* Entry-level programs do not fulfill a degree and are intended as preparation for admission into a major or professional school or program.

**B.S. Degree Programs**

A major for the B.S. degree may be completed in the following areas. This list is in alphabetical order by department and includes both traditional majors and special curricula (in italics):

**Biological Sciences**

Biological Sciences

Cellular and Molecular Biology

Marine, Freshwater, and Environmental Biology

Microbiology

Pre–Physical Therapy

Pre–Professional Program (pre-dentistry, pre-medicine, pre-optometry, pre-veterinary medicine)

Wildlife and Conservation Biology

**Chemistry and Biochemistry**

Chemistry

Biochemistry

Environmental Chemistry

Forensic Chemistry

Prelaw

Preadvence

Prepharmacy

**Environmental and Plant Biology**

Plant Biology

Cell Biology and Biotechnology

Environmental Biology

Applied Ecology

**Geography**

Geography

Environmental Geography

Environmental Prelaw

Geographic Information Science

Meteorology

Urban and Regional Planning

**Geological Sciences**

Geological Sciences

**History**

History

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

Pretheology

**International Studies**

pre-major status*

International Studies—Africa

International Studies—Asia

International Studies—Europe

International Studies—Latin America

**Linguistics**

Linguistics

**Mathematics**

Mathematics

Meteorology

Prep. for Actuarial Sciences

Prep. for Advanced Training

**Modern Languages**

French

German

Russian

Spanish

**Philosophy**

Philosophy

Prelaw

Pretheology

**Physics and Astronomy**

Physics

**Political Science**

Political Science

Pre–Foreign Service

Prelaw

Public Administration

**Psychology**

Psychology

**Social Work**

Pre–Social Work*

Social Work

**Sociology**

Sociology

Criminology

Prelaw

**Women’s Studies**

* Entry-level programs do not fulfill a degree and are intended as preparation for admission into a major or professional school or program.
Minors
If you wish to complete a formal minor in addition to your major, you may select a minor offered by the College of Arts and Sciences or choose one from another college. Minors available in the College of Arts and Sciences are:

- African American Studies
- Anthropology
- Astronomy
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Classical Civilization
- Economics
- English
- French
- Geography
- Geological Sciences
- German
- Greek
- History
- Japanese
- Latin
- Linguistics
- Mathematics
- Meteorology
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Plant Biology
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Russian
- Social Services
- Sociology
- Spanish
- World Religions

Certificates
Certificates available in the College of Arts and Sciences can be a part of any major program offered by Ohio University. Detailed information is available in the Majors, Minors and Certificate Programs section that follows.

Certificate programs include:

- East Asian Studies
  in cooperation with the Colleges of Business, Communication, and Fine Arts
- Environmental Studies
- Geographic Information Science (GIS)
- Gerontology
  in cooperation with the College of Health and Human Services
- International Studies—African, Asian, or Latin American
- Italian Studies
  in cooperation with the College of Fine Arts
- Political Communication
  in cooperation with the College of Communication
- Women's Studies
  Certificate programs and minors are open to students in any program, regardless of college, except as restricted by that program or college.

Departmental Honors
Many departments in the College of Arts and Sciences offer outstanding students the opportunity through the writing of a thesis, to graduate with departmental honors. To be eligible to participate in an honors program in Arts and Sciences, you must maintain at least a 3.50 g.p.a. For specific information about honors recognition for your major, see your academic advisor before the end of your junior year.

Admission Requirements
Upon being admitted to Ohio University as a first-year student, you may declare any of the majors listed above to be enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Note: you may earn no more than 90 hours in the undecided category before you must declare a regular major.

Transfer from Other Colleges Within Ohio University
To transfer into the College of Arts and Sciences from another college within the University, you must declare a major in the College of Arts and Sciences and be in good academic standing. If you have earned 45 or more hours, you are not eligible to declare an undecided major in Arts and Sciences.

Courses taken to satisfy requirements in other colleges (e.g., MATH 120, HSS 378) will not necessarily fulfill requirements in the College of Arts and Sciences or in your new major.

As long as your g.p.a. is 2.0 or higher, you may apply to transfer to the College of Arts and Sciences at any time in the quarter. After the 14th day, the change will not become official until the following quarter.

Transfer from Other Universities
Applicants to the College of Arts and Sciences from other accredited collegiate institutions must first meet Ohio University's transfer specifications as outlined under “Transfer Applicant” in the Admissions section of the catalog. Transfer students may not declare an Undecided major in Arts and Sciences.

The College determines the transferability of credit from other institutions based upon whether the institution is accredited or a recognized candidate for accreditation. The College follows the recommendations of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers in recognizing transfer credit. For credit earned at foreign institutions and in other special cases, the College accepts the recommendations of the University Examiner in the Office of Admissions.

The College evaluates credits on a course-by-course basis, assigning an Ohio University course number whenever possible.

Technical credits for nonbaccalaureate-level courses (e.g., office management) are evaluated as technical electives. Although such credits do not meet any specific degree requirement, you may count up to 25 hours of technical credits toward total graduation hours. The benefit of technical credits applied to a degree program at Ohio University may be minimal. If you are currently enrolled in a two-year program with the intention of transferring to Ohio University, it is important to take as much college-level work as possible in areas such as humanities, social sciences, mathematics, and science to improve your chances of completing the four-year degree program within two to three additional years.

Students whose transfer credit is equated as comparable to Tier I level composition, or to quantitative courses, are considered to have met that Tier I requirement. Transfer students without comparable transfer credit in composition and/or quantitative courses must complete the requirement.

Student records sent to the Office of Admissions from other collegiate institutions rarely include high school transcripts. Students transferring to Ohio University and the College of Arts and Sciences should order a high school transcript to be sent directly to the Office of Student Affairs, College of Arts and Sciences, so that your language placement can be determined.

To fulfill University residency requirements, you are required to complete at least 50 percent of your major concentration at Ohio University, with a minimum of 12 hours at the 300 level or above, and earn a minimum of 48 total hours in residence. If you have a double major, you will need to complete at least 50 percent of work in each major at Ohio University, with a minimum of 9 hours at the 300 level or above in each of the two departments. Additionally, you must maintain a 2.0 g.p.a. Courses should be approved by the respective departments.

To fulfill a minor in Arts and Sciences, you must complete a minimum of 8 hours of coursework at Ohio University at the 300-400 level with a grade of 2.0 or above.

Foreign Language Requirement for Transfer Students
The College of Arts and Sciences requires that all candidates for a B.A. or B.S. degree successfully complete two years of foreign language at the college level, or the equivalent. The table below explains how transfer credit for foreign language courses is evaluated. (For more information about foreign language, see Foreign Language Requirement and Language Placement Table under College Requirements.)
Note that the type of degree (B.A. or B.S.) determines how the two-year requirement will be satisfied. These requirements are determined by the degree program.

Foreign Language Requirement for Transfer Students

**SEMESTER HOURS:**

A. The B.A. degree requires 24 quarter hours (2 years) of one foreign language. Students who have completed 16 semester hours of one foreign language, contingent upon the courses being equivalent in content (as determined by the College), will receive credit for 24 quarter hours (2 years of instruction) and fulfill their foreign language requirement.

B. Students who have completed 8 semester hours of one foreign language, contingent upon the courses being equivalent in content (as determined by the College), will receive credit for 12 quarter hours and would fulfill one year of their foreign language requirement.

C. Students who have completed 6 semester hours of one foreign language, contingent upon the courses being equivalent in content (as determined by the College), will receive credit for 9 quarter hours and need to make up 3 quarter hours to complete one year of foreign language as required by the degree program.

**QUARTER HOURS**

The B.A. degree requires 24 quarter hours (2 years) of one foreign language.

A. Transfer students who have completed 24 quarter hours of one foreign language will receive credit (contingent upon the courses being equivalent in content (as determined by the College) for 2 years of instruction and would fulfill their foreign language requirement.

B. Students who have completed 12 quarter hours of one foreign language, contingent upon the courses being equivalent in content (as determined by the College), will fulfill one year of their foreign language requirement.

C. Students who have completed 9 quarter hours of one foreign language, contingent upon the courses being equivalent in content (as determined by the College), would need to take an additional 3 quarter hours at Ohio University to fulfill one year of foreign language. FURTHER:

D. If you are transferring 9 quarter hours of language credits, you must complete your foreign language requirement by doing the following:

a. Take the language placement test in Spanish, German, or French, offered by the Department of Modern Languages. For other languages, contact Modern Languages Department to arrange a placement test.

b. If your placement score indicates an achievement level comparable to the 113 or 213 level of that language, you must complete either 113 or 213 at Ohio University.

c. If your placement score is above 113 or 213 of that language, the College will waive the deficient 3 credit hours and accept 9 credits as equivalent to 12 credits, to fulfill the first or second year series. (Transfer credits maintain their 3 hour credit value.)

**College Requirements**

If you are in Arts and Sciences you are expected to become familiar with this section of the catalog which relates specifically to College requirements. You also need to read the Guidelines and General Information section at the front of the catalog. These pages contain information essential to your being a well-informed student at Ohio University. It should be noted here that you are responsible for understanding and meeting all requirements designated for your degree program.

The following list outlines the Arts and Sciences degree information presented in the sections that follow:

- Advising
- Academic Probation
- Degree Requirements (B.A., B.S.)
- Second Bachelor’s Degree
- Degree in Absentia
- Major Requirements
- Double Major
- Minor Requirements
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- Social Sciences Area Requirement
- Natural Sciences Area Requirement
- Level of Study Requirement
- Single Application of Credit
- Credit, Noncredit, and Pass/Fail Credit
- Transient Study
- Teacher Licensure
- Education Abroad

**Advising**

All departments in the College of Arts and Sciences provide a designated undergraduate advising coordinator who oversees advising procedures within that department. Every student in the College of Arts and Sciences is assigned an advisor, including undeclared (“undecided”) students. It is expected that you will schedule a conference during the pre-registration period each quarter. For students with declared majors, your advisor is a faculty member in the department of your major. For undecided majors, an advisor is assigned from Arts and Sciences faculty and administrative staff.

While advising conferences are particularly encouraged during the registration period, it is recommended that you maintain regular contact for assistance with concerns related to academic and career planning. Any requests by students to deviate from stated major requirements must be communicated in writing by the department chair or the undergraduate advising chair to the College Student Affairs office. While your advisor is expected to assist with course choices and recommendations, it is your responsibility to see that your own program requirements are met. If you have questions about fulfilling requirements you are invited to seek help at the College Office of Student Affairs in Wilson Hall. To change majors, contact the Office of Student Affairs in Wilson Hall. A new advisor will be assigned. All other matters pertaining to advisors are administered by Advising Coordinators or the departmental offices.

**Academic Probation**

If at the time of review you do not have the required 2.0 accumulative g.p.a., you will be placed on academic probation and are required to complete an Academic Success workshop. The session is mandatory and is intended to help you improve your academic performance and return to good standing as quickly as possible. Information about the workshop will be sent to your Oak e-mail account.

**Degree Requirements for Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and Bachelor of Science (B.S.)**

General requirements for a B.A. or B.S. are (a) a minimum of 192 quarter hours, including (b) 90 hours of Arts and Sciences coursework above the 199 level; (c) the equivalent of two years of college-level foreign language; (d) at least 18 hours each of humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences coursework; (e) General Education Requirements—Tiers I, II, III—and (f) all requirements stipulated by the department for the chosen major. Minors are optional.

A minimum of 192 quarter hours of credit is required for either a B.A. or B.S. degree. Policy does not allow an accumulation of more than 72 hours in any one major for a B.A. and no more than 80 hours in one major for a B.S., without a penalty against the total hours to graduate. Any hours earned in excess of the stated maximum for the major will necessitate earning equivalent credit hours over 192.

To receive a degree from the College of Arts and Sciences, you must have a minimum 2.0 g.p.a. on all of the following:

1. all hours attempted at the college level
2. all hours attempted at the college level in the major
all hours attempted at Ohio University

The graduation g.p.a. is computed after deductions for repeated and noncredit courses have been made. See the "Credit and Grading" section for information on repeated course removal.

Graduation requirements are defined by your catalog of entry and remain in effect for five years from your date of admission to Ohio University. An average course load of 16 hours a quarter is necessary to graduate in four years. Five years after entry, graduation requirements become redefined by the current Catalog.

For specific information involving graduation requirements, including residence requirements (i.e., the minimum number of credit hours that you must complete at Ohio University), see the "Graduation Requirements—University Wide" section of the Catalog.

Second (Double) Bachelor's Degree
The College of Arts and Sciences awards a B.A. or B.S. only once, regardless of the number of majors completed with that degree designation (e.g., one B.A. degree for double majors in women’s studies and African American Studies). Consequently, one diploma is issued per degree. In the case of the dual degree comprising a B.A. and B.S. (e.g., Spanish and Biological Sciences) or one B.A. or one B.S., and a second degree earned in a different college (e.g., College of Arts and Sciences and College of Health and Human Services), two degrees are conferred and two diplomas are awarded.

University policy requires the completion of a minimum of 208 quarter hours for the second or dual degree (i.e., an additional 16 hours beyond the 192 required for the first degree), including all specific requirements for both degree programs. For the guidelines to earning a second or dual bachelor’s degree, refer to the Graduation Requirements section.

Degree in Absentia
To be eligible for in absentia privileges, you must first be enrolled in one of the programs listed in item 5 below. To earn a degree in absentia, you must have:

1. completed 144 quarter hours at Ohio University, including specific requirements for the chosen program
2. earned a g.p.a. of 2.0 or better on all work attempted and on all work in the major
3. completed all General Education Requirements
4. completed all college distribution area requirements, except the 200-level requirement, of which 45 hours must be complete
5. completed a full year’s work in an accredited school of dentistry, law, clinical laboratory science, medicine, optometry, physical therapy, or veterinary medicine
6. been advanced without condition to the second year of training when the professional school’s program is for two or more years
7. successfully completed the professional program specified.

For the clinical laboratory science program, you must receive the approval of the clinical laboratory science advisor. For any other in absentia programs, you must secure a statement from the dean of the College before you enter the professional school granting the degree in absentia privilege.

Major Requirements
If you are a first-year student in the College of Arts and Sciences, you may enroll in the College as an undecided major; you must declare a major at or before you have earned 90 hours. If you have earned 45 or more credit hours from Ohio University, you are ineligible to transfer into the College as an undecided major. Transfer students from other universities may not enroll as undecided in Arts and Sciences.

College policy requires that any major program consist of a minimum core of 36 quarter hours in one subject area, including 16 quarter hours to be taken at the 300-400 level. Most majors require more than 36 hours and there may be specific departmental requirements, such as minimum g.p.a. for core coursework. Methods courses for certification in education are not included in hours that apply to the major. Whether you have chosen a traditional or a special curriculum major, you are obligated to fulfill the requirements specified by the department of major which, at minimum, requires a 2.0 g.p.a. and at least 50 percent of the major concentration from Ohio University, with no fewer than 12 of those hours at the 300 level or above. No courses in any major (except extra-departmental requirements, e.g., chemistry for a biological sciences major) may be applied to the area distribution requirements.

A second major or second degree program allows an exception to the rule stated above. In the case of a single major, courses used to fulfill that major cannot be used for area requirements. However, courses used to complete a second major may also fulfill the Arts and Sciences distribution areas.

B.A. degree candidates may count a maximum of 72 hours in one subject towards the degree; B.S. candidates may count a maximum of 80 hours. Exceeding this maximum requires increasing total hours to graduate to match the excess major hours. All courses in the major numbered above 199 are applied to the 90-hours-above-200-level requirement.

To earn a major in an Arts and Sciences discipline, you must be enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences (except for economics majors, who may be enrolled in either the College of Arts and Sciences or the College of Business). If you are a student in another college at Ohio University, you may enroll concurrently or consecutively in Arts and Sciences.

Double Major
For a degree to be granted, you must complete at least one major. A second major (or more), an option that any Arts and Sciences student may take, requires that all requirements for each major as described in the Majors, Minors, and Certificate Programs section, be fulfilled. You will need to complete at least 50% of the credit hours in each major at Ohio University, including a minimum of 9 hours at the 300 level or above in each of the two departments, while maintaining a 2.0 g.p.a. in each major.

Courses in the second major, including extra-departmental requirements, may be applied to the area distribution requirements. Completing more than one major program for the same degree program will not, of itself, increase the minimum hours required for Arts and Sciences areas or the 192 hours to graduate.

Minor Requirements
Arts and Sciences students interested in completing a formal minor may choose from the 29 minors offered by the College of Arts and Sciences or select a minor offered by another college. You must declare the minor and fulfill all hour and course requirements for it to be conferred and noted on your Ohio University transcript. The minor will not show on the transcript until a degree is conferred.

University policy stipulates that a minor comprise 24 to 35 required hours, including at least two courses at the 300-400 level. In the case of foreign languages, the minimum requirement is 24 hours beyond the 213 level. English courses fulfilling Tier I composition requirements do not count toward an English minor. To fulfill a minor in Arts and Sciences, you must complete a minimum of 8 hours of coursework at Ohio University at the 300-400 level with a grade of 2.0 or above. Within these limits, the distribution of courses, as well as other specific requirements, are determined by the department. At minimum, a 2.0 g.p.a. is required. In cases where extra departmental courses required to fulfill your major either nearly or completely duplicate courses for your chosen minor, declaring that minor may not be acceptable. See the Majors, Minors, and Certificate Programs section for specific minor requirements.

General Education Requirement
The University General Education Requirements (Tiers I, II, and III) are similar to, but lesser in scale than, the Arts and Sciences requirements. You can select
courses that, while fulfilling University General Education Requirements, can partially satisfy Arts and Sciences distribution requirements in foreign languages, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and courses above the 199 level. The following lists for humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences indicate specifically and without exception the courses that fulfill the three Arts and Sciences areas. Many of these courses also satisfy Tier II requirements.

All courses that fulfill General Education Requirements, even if they are not Arts and Sciences courses, apply toward the 192 credit hours needed to graduate from Ohio University.

Some courses designated for Tier I quantitative skills and freshman composition (including any skills courses needed as prerequisites) apply only to hours for graduation and do not apply to Arts and Sciences distribution requirements. MATH 163A-B and PSY 221 may fulfill multiple requirements.

Arts and Sciences courses that fulfill the Tier I advanced composition requirement at the junior level can apply to the Humanities distribution area and, in certain cases, to your major.

Courses designated as Tier III do not fulfill Arts and Sciences requirements except when they are taught by Arts and Sciences faculty. In this case, the course contributes to the hours-above-200-level requirement. Courses designated as "Tier III alternatives" may count both for Tier III and towards the major.

Transfer students whose credit is equated as comparable to Tier I level composition, or to quantitative courses, are considered to have met that Tier I requirement. Transfer students without comparable transfer credit in composition and/or quantitative courses must complete the requirement.

### Foreign Language Requirement

The College of Arts and Sciences requires that all candidates for a B.A. or B.S. degree successfully complete two years of foreign language equivalent to or at the college level. The type of degree (B.A. or B.S.) determines how the two-year requirement is completed. These requirements are determined by the degree program, i.e., B.A. or B.S. (Transfer students should refer to the "Transfer from Other Universities" section for specific information about transferring foreign language credits to Arts and Sciences.)

Not all language courses taught at Ohio University meet the curricular guidelines of the foreign language requirement. Acceptable languages include: Arabic, Chinese, Indonesian/Malaysian, Japanese, and Swahili (African and Asian); Greek and Latin (classical); German (Germanic); French, Italian, and Spanish (Romance); and Russian (Slavic). The first or beginning year of language at Ohio University is represented by the course numbers 111, 112, and 113, while the second or intermediate year is represented by the course numbers 211, 212, and 213. (See "Foreign Languages and Literature" in the Courses of Instruction section for a complete description of language courses.)

#### Language Placement Table

The language placement table below represents the broadest interpretation of the language requirement and therefore applies more specifically to the B.A. degree. If your major is designated B.S., use the table as a guide to determine if you qualify for the options described in the Candidates for the B.S. Degree section following the table.

The language placement table represents two years of high school language as being equal to one year of college language. The study of a foreign language at Ohio University must begin according to the recommendations listed below. If you have completed two or more years of high school language, these recommendations assume there has been thorough foreign language preparation within the last year. If this is not the case, you are strongly advised to enroll first in a lower level course as preparation to enter the intermediate level.* A placement exam is available to evaluate your competency in French, German and Spanish. Enrolling at a level higher than indicated by the table and your high school experience is not permitted.

Students wanting to enroll in a higher level foreign language course than indicated by the table and your high school experience is not permitted. Students wanting to enroll in a higher level foreign language course than indicated by the table need to contact the Assistant Dean in the College of Arts and Sciences to discuss options:

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<td>4–5 years</td>
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* If you find it necessary to repeat high school–level work (111–113) to prepare for the intermediate level, these credits will be applied to the 192-hour graduation requirement, but do not fulfill any part of the language requirement. Once the language requirement is completed, any foreign language course that does not duplicate coursework for the requirement or high school work will be applied to the humanities distribution area.

### B.A. Degree Options

The foreign language requirement for B.A. degree candidates is the successful completion of a two-year sequence of study of one language from level 111 through level 213. Two years of high school language are considered the equivalent of one year of college language. According to your preference, however, your two years of college-level study may be a language other than the one studied in high school.

#### For the B.A.:

Zero to one year of high school language must complete two years of one foreign language at the college level.

Two to three years of one high school language must complete the intermediate level (i.e., second year) 211–213, of the same language or, if you prefer, two years (111–213) of a language different from the one studied in high school.

Four or more years of one high school foreign language must complete level 213 or 341 or higher in the same language.

Four years of high school Latin may complete LAT 351 rather than LAT 213. LAT 351 is recommended.

### B.S. Degree Language Options

If you are earning a B.S. degree, you must meet the foreign language requirement through two years of college language study or the equivalent. This policy allows for several interpretations.

#### For the B.S.:

Zero to one year of high school language must choose to complete a full sequence in one language (two years—6 quarters, 111–213) or one year each (3 quarters for each) of two different languages of beginning level (111–113; 111–113).

Two to three years of high school language must choose either to complete the intermediate level of the same high school language (211–213) or complete the beginning year of a second language (111–113).

Four or more years of high school language (that includes either four years of one language or two years each of two different languages), may consider the language requirement met.

### Choice of Degree Options

For the limited number of majors that offer a choice of either the B.A. or B.S. degree (see listings in the Majors, Minors, and Certificate Programs section), you may choose which degree to pursue. Be certain to select the appropriate language requirement. See above section for the respective B.A. or B.S. language requirements.

#### Transfer Students

Please refer to the "Transfer from Other Universities" section for specific information about the transfer of foreign language credits.

### International Students

For international students whose first or native language is not English, and who completed high school where the first or native language was the one primarily used for instruction, the foreign
language requirement may be satisfied by demonstrating competence in English. This must be approved by the Assistant Dean in the College of Arts and Sciences, and generally requires the successful completion of at least one or more courses in English as a foreign language, specifically ENG 151 and or ENG 305J or 308J.

You may also satisfy the foreign language requirement by taking a foreign language at Ohio University other than your own first language or by successfully completing the NYU foreign language exam.

Enrollment in the beginning or intermediate level (under 300) of your own first language(s) will be considered a noncredit course.

**Humanities Area Requirement**
The humanities requirement may be met by selecting 18 quarter hours from two or more departments, excluding the major, with at least 8 hours in one area, from the following:

- a African American Studies 106, 110, 150, 210, 211, 250, 310, 317, 350, 352, 353, 355, 356
- b Art History
- c Classical Archaeology except 211, 212, 213
- d Classics in English
- e Communication Studies 351, 352, 353
- f Dance 170, 351, 352, 353, 370, 471, 472, 473
- g English except 150, 151, 152, 153, 153A, 153B, 451, 452
- h Foreign language courses other than those used to complete the foreign language requirement and except JPN 341
- j Humanities 107, 108, 109, 117, 307, 308, 309
- k Interdisciplinary Arts
- l International Literatures in English—International Literature: Linguistics and International Language: Modern Languages
- m Modern Languages 370J
- n Music / Music Literature 120, 124, 125, 150, 321-3, 427, 428
- o Philosophy except 120
- p Theater 150, 270, 271, 272
- q University Professor 150–152H, 450–452H
- r Women's Studies except 360
- s World Religions

**Social Sciences Area Requirement**
The social sciences requirement may be met by a selection of 18 quarter hours from two or more departments, excluding the major, with at least 8 hours in one area, from the following:

- a African American Studies 101, 202, 220, 225, 254, 340, 341, 345, 346, 360, 368, 440, 482
- b Anthropology except 201, 346, 355, 447, 448, 492, 496
- c Business Law 255, 442, and 475
- d Classical Archaeology 211, 212, 213
- e Economics
- f Geography except those listed under natural sciences (see below)
- g History except those listed under humanities (see above)
- h International Studies 103, 113, 118, 121
- i Japanese 341
- j Linguistics
- k Political Science
- l Psychology except 120, 221, 226, 312, 314, 321
- m Social Work
- n Sociology
- o University Professor 150–152S, 450–452S
- p Women's Studies 360

**Natural Sciences Area Requirement**
The natural sciences requirement may be met by selecting 18 quarter hours from two or more departments, excluding the major, with at least 8 hours in one area, from the following:

- a Anthropology 201, 346, 355, 447, 448, 492, 496
- b Astronomy
- c Biological Sciences except 217
- d Chemistry except 115
- e Computer Science except 120, 135, 190, 220, 350
- f Environmental and Plant Biology except 217
- h Geological Sciences
- i Mathematics except 101, 102, 109, 113, 115, 117, 118, 120, 121, 122, 320, 320L
- j Physical Sciences
- k Psychology 221, 226, 312, 314
- l Physics
- m University Professor 150–152N, 450–452N

Note: Methods courses are not applicable to area requirements.

* These listings must be used as the official guide for the completion of the Arts and Sciences area (distribution) requirements. Exceptions to the 18-hour Arts and Sciences area distribution requirements will be made only under the most unusual of circumstances and by petition only. Consideration for inclusion of courses not listed is not made on an ad hoc basis but requires formal approval of the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee.

Some courses from these categories may also be applied to the University Tier II requirements. However, the three Arts and Sciences area categories differ in scope from the five Tier II groupings (Humanities and Fine Arts, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Social Sciences, and Cross-Cultural Perspectives). If you wish to select a course that will apply to both the Arts and Sciences and Tier II requirements, take care to choose a course that has been approved for the desired category in both the College and the University listings. (The list of courses approved for Tier II categories appears in the Graduation Requirements section of the catalog.) Most courses that can fulfill Tier I quantitative skills and freshman composition requirements and the Tier III requirement do not apply to the Arts and Sciences area distribution requirements. Exceptions include MATH 163A, 163B, and PSY 221.

**Level of Study Requirement**
(Hours at the 200 level or above)
Within the total hours applied to the degree, at least 90 quarter hours of Arts and Sciences courses must be above the freshman level (numbered above 199). Arts and Sciences courses are defined as courses listed earlier in this section under humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences, and include foreign languages, courses from the department major, and courses taught by faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences intended to meet the junior composition or Tier III requirement. University Professor (UP) courses taught by Arts and Science faculty will count only if they are listed as applicable to any of the three area requirements.

Economics majors may apply QBA 201 and, with departmental approval, other advanced courses in statistics, to the Arts and Sciences 200-level requirement for a maximum of 15 hours.

Non–Arts and Sciences courses are almost always considered electives and not counted toward the level of study requirement. Rather, they apply toward the 192-hour requirement for graduation.

**Single Application of Credit and Exceptions**
Excluding the exceptions listed below, no course may satisfy more than one of the area requirements in foreign language, humanities, social sciences, or the major requirement. For example, a philosophy major may not apply any courses in philosophy toward the humanities requirement. Courses that fulfill freshman General Education Tier I requirements or Tier III will not apply to the distribution area requirement.

Exceptions are: MATH 163A, 163B, and PSY 221 (will fulfill the Tier I quantitative
requirement, as well as the natural science area).

Courses required for a major, but outside the major department (extra-departmental) will be counted toward the area requirements, except in the case of interdisciplinary majors (i.e., international studies, classical studies) where required courses normally may not be applied to the distribution areas.

Courses required for a minor will be counted toward the area requirements, except for non-Arts and Sciences minors. Foreign language courses at the beginning and intermediate levels for students majoring in that foreign language fulfill the language requirement since the major is defined as including language courses above the intermediate level only.

Junior-level advanced composition courses offered by departments within the College of Arts and Sciences apply to the distribution area requirements except when they are required for the major (e.g. ENG 307J, HIST 301J, or Tier III equivalents)

**Hours of Credit (CR), Pass/Fail Courses, and Noncredit Allowed**

**Credit (CR) Hours**

Hours of coursework that are offered for credit (CR) may be applied toward requirements, but are limited to 15 hours total. (Do not confuse credit (CR) with pass/fail (P/F).)

**Pass/Fail Hours**

Courses taken pass/fail are limited strictly to electives hours, or that fulfill hours to graduate, and may total no more than 20 hours. No course taken pass/fail may fulfill any requirement, except the total-hours requirement. For an Arts and Sciences student, this policy effectively restricts taking any pass/fail course within the areas of foreign language, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, major, minor, 90-hours-above-200, and special curriculum requirements, unless that area is completed, as required.

See the Pass/Fail section in the Credit and Grading section of the catalog for further information.

**Noncredit Hours**

Noncredit courses do not count toward the 192-hour requirement. Noncredit courses are those numbered below 100; courses completed out of sequence, i.e., a lower-level course taken after completing an advanced course in the same academic department; certain technology courses; developmental courses (e.g., MATH 150, MATH 101) in excess of 8 credit hours; skills courses such as UC 110 and 112 in excess of the eight-hour limit; credits duplicated by the repetition of coursework; and courses taken for audit. See the Guidelines and General Information section for details about credit and grading, repeated courses, and residence requirements that affect hours required.

**Transient Study**

Transient study is defined as earning credit hours at another institution for the purpose of fulfilling specific Ohio University or College of Arts and Sciences requirements. (Transfer study refers to credits transferred from another institution once students are admitted to Ohio University.) See “Transferring Credit” in the Admissions section.

If you are a senior and wish to earn credit by transient study, remember that you must complete 50 percent of your major, including at least 12 hours of 300–400 level work at Ohio University. Any minor must include 8 hours of courses at the 300–400 level and 50 percent of required coursework from Ohio University.

Before registering for courses at another institution to earn credit through transient study, you must secure permission from the College of Arts and Sciences. A visit to the Office of Student Affairs will determine beforehand the value of any intended courses to your progress toward graduation. You may need a catalog and/or course description from that institution in order to complete the petition form. Permission forms can be downloaded from the CAS Web site at http://www.cas.ohiou.edu/undergrad/. Keep in mind that while credits are transferable, grades are not. Your g.p.a. will not be affected by credit hours transferred from another school.

See major requirements section for information regarding Ohio University credits.

**Teacher Licensure**

Students in the College of Arts and Sciences may meet the requirements for licensure to teach at the secondary-school level by completing requirements for either the B.A. or the B.S. degree program and completing any necessary requirements through the College of Education. Information about requirements is available from department representatives in the College of Arts and Sciences. If you are interested in teaching, begin planning for your required courses as early as possible.

**Education Abroad**

Among the many study abroad opportunities offered by Ohio University are more than two dozen programs open to all majors sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences, listed below. For additional information about education abroad, please refer to the “University-Wide Academic Opportunities” section. See also, Global Leadership Center. Be sure to inform your academic advisor and meet with staff in Education Abroad and the Office of Student Affairs in the College to discuss your plans. For information on programs and on using your financial aid for study abroad, visit the Office of Education Abroad in Gordy Hall 107 or at http://www.ohio.edu/studyabroad. All programs are subject to change.

**Language Programs Abroad**

Intensive French Abroad, Avignon, France, spring quarter; Intensive German Abroad, Salzburg, Austria, spring quarter; Intensive Spanish Abroad, Merida, Mexico, winter quarter; Intensive Spanish Abroad, Pamplona, Spain, fall, winter, spring, and/or summer; Spanish and Latin American Studies, Cuenca, Ecuador, spring quarter; Greek in Greece, Greece, spring quarter; Japanese Culture and Language Abroad, Chubu University, Nagoya, Japan, fall quarter, 6- and 9-month programs also available; Russian Study Abroad, Moscow, Russia, spring quarter. Further language learning opportunities include a summer intensive study of French in Quebec, an advanced French language and literature program in Martinique during winter intersession, a Spanish language and culture program in Puerto Rico during winter intersession, and a fall quarter of cultural studies in Malasia.

**Student Exchange Programs**

Odense University Exchange Program, Odense, Denmark, fall quarter or one academic year; Johannes Gutenberg University Exchange Program, Mainz, Germany, one academic year; University of Leipzig Exchange Program, Leipzig, Germany, one academic year; University of Newcastle, Newcastle, Australia, one semester or one academic year; University of Wales Exchange Program, Swansea, Great Britain, one academic year, or one semester; University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia, one semester; Universidad Publica de Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, one semester or one academic year.

**Other Arts and Sciences Programs**

Global Studies in Plant Biology, various locations, winter intersession and summer; Ohio-Leipzig European Center (OLEC), Leipzig, Germany, spring and summer; Internship with the National Assembly for Wales, fall or spring semester; Classics in Rome, Italy, fall quarter; Ohio-Shandong (China) Center in East Asia, fall quarter; Tier III Bahamas: An Island as Environment, summer. Linguistics, with Latin American Studies, offers coursework toward preparation for Teaching English as a Foreign Language, in Cuenca, Ecuador.