

BRICKS Workshop Series

OTM BRICKS Components

BRICKS: General Education Program (38 hours)

FOUNDATIONS



11
HRS

1. *Written Communication (3)
2. Advanced Writing (3)
3. *Quantitative Reasoning (3)
4. Intercultural Explorations (2)

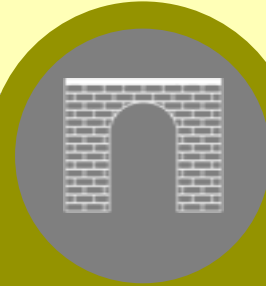
PILLARS



12
HRS

1. *Humanities: Texts and Contexts (3)
2. *Humanities: Arts (3)
3. *Natural Sciences (3)
4. *Social or Behavioral Sciences (3)

ARCHES



9
HRS

1. *Constructed World (3)
2. *Natural World (3)
3. *Connected World (3)

BRIDGES



4
HRS

1. Speaking & Listening (1)
2. Diversity & Practice (1)
3. Ethics & Reasoning (1)
4. Learning & Doing (1)

CAPSTONES



2
HRS

1. Capstone or Culminating Experience (2)

* Courses must be Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) approved.

Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE)

“General education at Ohio’s public institutions must fulfill the institution’s Ohio Transfer Module (OTM), which is 36 (minimum) of semester hours of coursework in general education.”

Minimum of 24 semester hours of approved OTM courses:

3 (Min)	English Composition and Oral Communication (e.g., First Writing, Second Writing, Public Speaking).
3 (Min)	Mathematics, Statistics, and Logic (e.g., College Algebra, Pre-Calculus, Trigonometry, Calculus, Statistics, Formal/Symbolic Logic).
6 (Min)	Arts and Humanities (e.g., Art History, Ethics, American History, Literature, Philosophy, Religion, Ethnic or Gender Studies).
6 (Min)	Social and Behavioral Sciences (e.g., Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology).
6 (min)	Natural Sciences (e.g., Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geology, Physical Geography, Physics).

PLUS 12 semester hours distributed among the same five categories.

BRICKS Components

Nine components (27 credit hours)

- Foundations: Written Communication (3)
- Foundations: Quantitative Reasoning (3)
- Pillars: Humanities: Texts and Contexts (3)
- Pillars: Humanities: Arts (3)
- Pillars: Natural Sciences (3)
- Pillars: Social or Behavioral Sciences (3)
- Arches: Constructed World (3)
- Arches: Connected World (3)
- Arches: Natural World (3)

OTM
approval

Seven components (11 credit hours)

- Foundations: Advanced Writing (3)
- Foundations: Intercultural Explorations (2)
- Bridges: Speaking & Listening (1)
- Bridges: Diversity & Practice (1)
- Bridges: Ethics & Reasoning (1)
- Bridges: Learning & Doing (1)
- Capstones: Capstone (2)

No OTM
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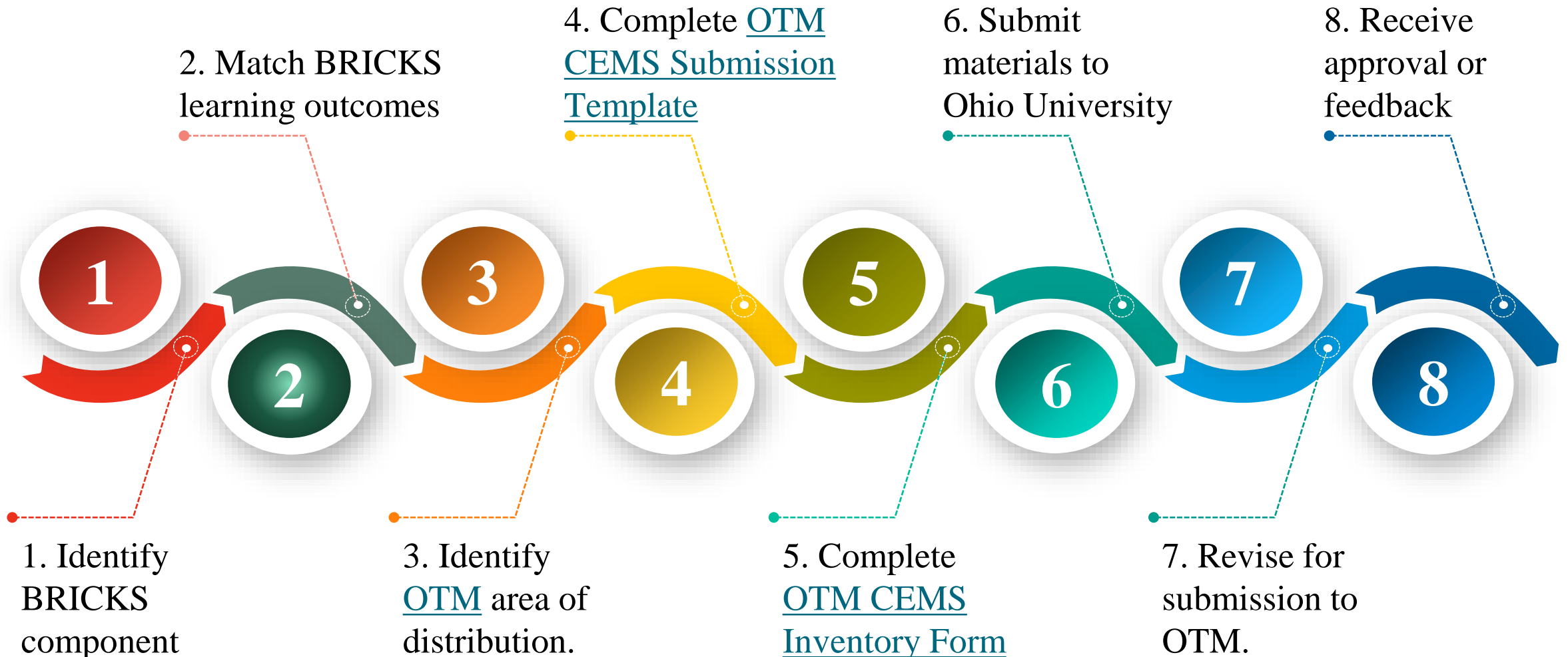
OTM Components

Each course must be a minimum of three credit hours.

BRICKS Component	OTM Area of Distribution	Ohio University Learning Goal(s)
Written Communication	First Writing	Written Communication
Quantitative Reasoning	Mathematics, Statistics, Logic	Quantitative Reasoning
Humanities: Texts and Contexts	Arts and Humanities	Humanities
Humanities: Arts	Arts and Humanities	Arts
Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences
Social or Behavioral Sciences	Social and Behavioral Sciences	Social or Behavioral Sciences
Constructed World	Arts and Humanities or Mathematics, Statistics, Logic	Humanities, Arts, or Quantitative Reasoning & Critical Thinking and/or Teamwork
Connected World	Social and Behavioral Sciences	Social or Behavioral Sciences & Critical Thinking and/or Teamwork
Natural World	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences & Critical Thinking and/or Teamwork

OTM Approval Steps

OHIO guidelines for the OTM approval process



Summary

- ✓ ODHE requires compliance with the Ohio Transfer Module (OTM).
- ✓ Minimum OTM includes 24 semester hours across six areas of distribution.
- ✓ BRICKS includes nine components restricted to OTM-approved courses.
- ✓ OHIO offers a step-by-step OTM approval process



THANK YOU