

Physics Major's General Education Requirements

Basic Requirements: 120 Semester hours at or above the 100 level, and a GPA of at least 2.0. Note this sheet is intended as a complement to the B.S. or 3-2 curriculum advising sheets.

Students leaving for partner institutions in our 3+2 programs must complete all general education requirements prior to leaving WCU. Please check your degree progress report on myWCU.

<u>ACADEMIC FOUNDATIONS:</u>				
Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
FYE <i>(Waive if 24 or more transfer credits)</i>				4
WRT <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i> <i>(Waive if Write Survey result is WRT 200)</i>	120 or 123 <i>(based on Write Survey result)</i>			3 – 4
WRT <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>	Choose one of: 200, 204, 205, 206, 208 or 220			3
MAT	161			4
Diversity (J) ^a				3
Interdisciplinary (I) ^b <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>				3
Ethics (€) <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>				3

a. CAN be used to fulfill other requirements, such as a minor. A single course may fulfill the "I" and "J" requirements.

b. Interdisciplinary courses may **not** be used to fulfill a general education requirement in the distributive areas (science, behavioral and social sciences, humanities, the arts). However, a course may simultaneously satisfy the interdisciplinary and diverse communities requirements.

<u>ART DISTRIBUTION:</u> One approved course outside of the major in the list: ARH, DAN, FLM, MHL, THA <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>				
Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
				3

<u>BEHAVIORAL & SOCIAL SCIENCE DISTRIBUTION:</u> Two approved courses with different prefixes outside of the major in the list: ANT, ECO, GEO, PSC, PSY, SOC. <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>				
Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
				3
				3

<u>HUMANITIES DISTRIBUTION:</u> Two approved courses with different prefixes outside of the major in the list: HIS, LIT/CLS, PHI. <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>				
Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
				3
				3

<u>SCIENCE DISTRIBUTION:</u> One course from the approved general education course list under this category . Second Science Distributive course requirement met through CHE 103 course, required by the major. <i>(Waive if Academic Passport eligible)</i>				
Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
CHE	103			3

SPEAKING EMPHASIS: between 0 – 9 credits needed (see bullet points below). Table at bottom is for students requiring 9 credits. Note SPK 208/230 suggested for all cases unless otherwise noted.

- *All students starting WCU Summer 2019 or earlier: requirement is only SPK 208 or SPK 230*
- *Fall 2019 – Spring 2022 First Years (non-transfers): requirement is 6 credits Speaking Emphasis (any level)*
- *Fall 2019 – Spring 2021 Transfers: speaking emphasis WAIVED*
- *Fall 2021 – Spring 2022 Transfers: requirement is 3 credits (any level)*
- *Fall '22 & later First Years (non-transfers): 9 credits (at least 3 credits at 300/400 level).*
- *Fall '22 & later Transfers: 0 – 39 transfer credits = 9 credits (at least 3 credits at 300/400 level)*
- *Fall '22 & later Transfers: 40 – 70 transfer credits = 6 credits (at least 3 credits at 300/400 level)*
- *Fall '22 & later Transfers: 71 or more transfer credits = 3 credits at 300/400 level*

Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
SPK	208 or 230 (or SPK 199)			3
PHY	310			3
PHY	455			3

WRITING EMPHASIS: 9 credits

6 of the 9 credits of Writing Emphasis are met through PHY 310 Intermediate Physics Lab I and PHY 455 Advanced Physics Lab.

If 0 – 40 transfer credits, 9 credits of Writing Emphasis courses are required.

If 41 – 69 transfer credits, PHY 310 and PHY 320 are sufficient and no other Writing Emphasis courses are needed.

If 70 or more transfer credits, PHY 310 alone is sufficient and no other Writing Emphasis courses are needed.

Prefix	Course	Semester	Grade	Credits
PHY	310			3
PHY	455			3

FREE ELECTIVES:

Only if needed to reach 120 credits minimum graduation requirement.

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