

What General Education Redesign Means for You

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Academic Affairs

Gen Ed Now

System Minima

Area A1 Communication Skills
6+ hours

Area A2 Quantitative Skills
3+ hours

Area B Institutional Options
3+ hours

Area C Humanities/Fine Arts,
and Ethics
6+ hours

Area D Natural Sciences,
Mathematics, and Technology
7+ hours

Area E Social Sciences
6+ hours

Area Lower Division Major Req
18 hours

Reality

Area A1 Communication Skills
6 hours

Area A2 Quantitative Skills
3-4 hours

Area B Institutional Options
3-7 hours (no Area B at UGA)

Area C Humanities/Fine Arts,
and Ethics
6 hours (UGA 12?)

Area D Natural Sciences,
Mathematics, and Technology
10-12 hours

Area E Social Sciences
9-12 hours

Area Lower Division Major Req
18 hours

Transfer Rules

ASAH 2.4.9

Students successfully completing a course in one institution's Areas A–E will receive full credit in Areas A–E for the course upon transfer to another USG institution as long as the following conditions are met . . .

Transfer Rules

BOR Policy Manual 3.3.1

Students completing any core curriculum course at one USG institution or through eCore will receive full credit for that course upon transfer to another USG institution within the same major, even if a core area is not completed and even if it means giving transfer credit across areas (e.g., credit of a math course in Area C).

Transfer

Institution A

Area A1 Communication Skills
6 hours

Area A2 Quantitative Skills
3 hours

Area B Institutional Options
7 hours

Area C Humanities/Fine Arts,
and Ethics
6 hours

Area D Natural Sciences,
Mathematics, and Technology
11 hours

Area E Social Sciences
9 hours

Area Lower Division Major Req
18 hours

Institution B

Area A1 Communication Skills
6 hours

Area A2 Quantitative Skills
3 hours

Area B Institutional Options
4 hours

Area C Humanities/Fine Arts,
and Ethics
6 hours

Area D Natural Sciences,
Mathematics, and Technology
11 hours

Area E Social Sciences
12 hours

Area Lower Division Major Req
18 hours

General Education Redesign

Arts & Humanities 3 hours

Mathematics 3 hours

History & Constitution 3 hours

Social Sciences 3 hours

Science 3 hours

Data Fluency 3 hours

Written Communication 3 hours

Oral Communication 3 hours

Institutional Options 9 hours

Exploratory Courses 9 hours

Field of Study Courses 18 hours

8 Shared Elements
24 hours

Transfer

Arts & Humanities 3 hours

Mathematics 3 hours

History & Constitution 3 hours

Social Sciences 3 hours

Science 3 hours

Data Fluency 3 hours

Written Communication 3 hours

Oral Communication 3 hours

Institutional Options 9 hours

Exploratory Courses 9 hours

Field of Study Courses 18 hours

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History & Constitution 3 hours

Social Sciences 3 hours

Science 3 hours

Data Fluency 3 hours

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Overall Transfer Goal

- 60 Transferable Hours
 - 24 hours shared elements
 - 9 hours institutional elements
 - 33 hours of “**core elements**”
 - 9 hours exploratory courses
 - 18 hours field of study courses

What has to happen to make this work?

- Identify courses that belong in each Shared Element, as well as the Institutional Element.
- Council on General Education approval process.
- Publish courses approved for each core element at each institution.
- Tag courses approved for Shared and Institutional Elements with attributes in Banner (catalog level).

Transfer?

- Challenge of knowing what counts in each element at other institutions.
- Short term: provide course table that shows where courses count at each institution.
- Longer term: Provide USG **General Education Transcript** that shows how each course counts toward general education requirements.
- Crystal ball: Transfer exchange portal for USG institutions. Would automatically classify general education transfer credits.

General Education Redesign Project

- Working with ITS/GeorgiaBEST and Lynn Miller to develop workable and useful solutions.
- Four phases envisioned.

Phase 1 – Banner

- Establish business practices and policies for indicating the elements that courses can count for in Banner.
- System to develop standard “Z” attributes for courses qualifying for each element (e.g., ZGAH for Arts & Humanities)
- Attributes to be entered at catalog level for approved courses.
- Deadline for full implementation: August 1, 2020.

Phase 2 – DegreeWorks +

- **Re-scribe DegreeWorks** to support redesigned General Education Curriculum
- Lynn Miller will provide support to institutions, host Skype meetings as needed.
- Deadline for full implementation: January 31, 2021
- Changes will also need to be made to Ad Astra, Starfish, Civitas, and EAB.

Phase 3 – USG Transcript

- Modifications to **USG Transcript** (Banner Modifications) to create a portion for General Education Transfer.
- Will clearly delineate where courses from the sending institution fall in the General Education Model.
- To meet goal of 100% transferability of redesigned General Education Curriculum while easing burden on registrars and transfer officers.
- Deadline for full implementation: August 1, 2021.

Phase 4 – “Transfer Ease”

- Development of a **transfer data exchange portal** for USG institutions.
- Course records and General Education attributes uploaded from sending institution, downloaded directly into Banner by receiving institution.
- Deadline for full implementation: January 31, 2022.

Credits at Graduation & Time to Degree

- FY2012-FY2018
 - 83 Semester Hours for Associates
 - 138 Semester Hours for Bachelor's
- FY 2018
 - 4.5 years for Associates
 - 5.5 years for Bachelors



Happily Ever After . . .

Thank you!

- Questions? Comments?

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