# University Core and Graduation Requirements

- **Religion Cornerstones**
  - Teachings and Doctrine of The Book of Mormon: 1 class, 2.0 hours, REL A 275
  - Jesus Christ and the Everlasting Gospel: 1 class, 2.0 hours, REL A 250
  - Foundations of the Restoration: 1 class, 2.0 hours, REL C 225
  - The Eternal Family: 1 class, 2.0 hours, REL C 200

- **The Individual and Society**
  - American Heritage: 1-2 classes, 3-6.0 hours, from approved list
  - Global and Cultural Awareness: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list

- **Skills**
  - First Year Writing: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Advanced Written and Oral Communications: 1 class, 3.0 hours, M COM 320*
  - Quantitative Reasoning: 1 class, 3.0 hours, MATH 110 recommend
  - Languages of Learning (Math or Language): 1 class, 3.0 hours, STAT 121*

- **Arts, Letters, and Sciences**
  - Civilization 1: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Civilization 2: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Arts: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Letters: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Biological Science: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Physical Science: 1 class, 3.0 hours, from approved list
  - Social Science: 1 class, 3.0 hours, ECON 110*

- **Core Enrichment: Electives**
  - Religion Electives: 3-4 classes, 6.0 hours, from approved list
  - Open Electives: Variable classes, Variable hours, personal choice

*THESE CLASSES FILL BOTH UNIVERSITY CORE AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (9 hours overlap)

## Graduation Requirements:
- Minimum residence hours required: 30.0
- Minimum hours needed to graduate: 120.0
This is a Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) program. Please contact the BGS office at 1-888-298-3137 or (801) 422-4351.

Have 27 hours of campus residency.
Complete a minimum of 10 hours in the emphasis after formal admission to the BGS program.
Thirty of the 120 hours must be 300-level or above courses.
The IS 110, MSB 360, and M Com 320 requirements must be filled with credit less than 15 years old.

All emphasis courses taken after admission to BGS must be BYU courses.

Students must earn a minimum 2.0 BYU grade point average, a minimum 2.25 emphasis grade point average, and a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average.
The program must be completed in eight years or less.

**REQUIREMENT 1** Complete 1 course

**PREREQUISITE COURSE (MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE TAKING ANY OTHER COURSES, INCLUDES PREPARING ACADEMIC PLAN WHICH MUST BE APPROVED BEFORE PROCEEDING):**

STDEV 100 - Essential College Skills

1.0

**REQUIREMENT 2** Complete 3 courses

**CORE 1 COURSES:**

ACC 200 - Principles of Accounting

3.0

*ECON 110 - Economic Principles and Problems

3.0

*STAT 121 - Principles of Statistics

3.0

**REQUIREMENT 4** Complete 4 courses

**CORE 2 COURSES:**

HRM 300 - Organizational Behavior

3.0

*M COM 320 - Communication in Organizational Settings

3.0

MKTG 201 - Marketing Management

3.0

MSB 360 - Professional Ethics

3.0

**REQUIREMENT 5** Complete 1 course

FIN 201 - Principles of Finance

3.0

**REQUIREMENT 6** Complete 2 courses

**ELECTIVE COURSES:** (BYU 300- AND 400-LEVEL MARRIOTT SCHOOL COURSES COMPLETED BEFORE ENTERING THE BGS PROGRAM MAY ALSO BE USED TO FILL EMPHASIS ELECTIVES.)

ACC 300 - Introduction to Accounting 2

3.0

FIN 453 - Money, Banking, and Business

3.0

HRM 402 - Human Resource Management

3.0

HRM 413 - Managerial Leadership Development

3.0

IS 201 - Introduction to Management Information Systems

3.0

MSB 430 - Introduction to International Business

3.0

STDEV 490 - Bachelor of General Studies Capstone

2.0

**THE DEGREE:**

Brigham Young University’s Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) Program offers former BYU students who are no longer able to attend BYU an opportunity to complete their bachelor’s degree from anywhere. Applicants must have already completed 27 credit hours (exam credit excluded) at the BYU campus in Provo as an admitted day student and must abide by the Church Educational System Honor Code and receive an annual ecclesiastical endorsement. This program is not available to current BYU students who have fewer than 90 credits.

The Bachelor of General Studies degree is designed to help former BYU students utilize as much as possible of their previously earned credit. It uses the same BYU curriculum offered on campus and requires the same general education, religious education, and campus residency as on-campus degrees. However, up to 90 of the required 120 credit hours can be earned through Independent Study. The major is general studies, with an emphasis in one of seven areas of study. The emphasis adds a measure of specialization. Students may earn only one emphasis and do not have the option of creating custom-made areas of study. However, within the number of general electives available, students can utilize credit previously earned in a former major or choose to take courses in a particular concentration.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

Applicants complete the admissions procedure through the Bachelor of General Studies Office and pay a fee of $35. Admission to the BGS program is open to former BYU students who meet all of the following criteria.

- Have completed a minimum of 27 semester hours of BYU on-campus credit in Provo as an admitted day student.
- Have not completed any courses as a BYU day-continuing student in the last two years or have completed a minimum of 30 credits (exam credits excluded).
- Never completed a bachelor’s or higher degree.
- In good standing (academic, financial, etc.) at all universities attended.
- Have a 2.0 or higher BYU and cumulative GPA. (If any academic disciplinary action—warning, probation, or suspension—has been taken against you, contact the BGS Office before proceeding with the application process.)
- Will abide by the BYU Code of Honor and receive an annual ecclesiastical endorsement.
- Have been approved by the BGS admissions committee.
- Have successfully completed the Student Development 100 course (1-credit Independent Study course taken after provisional acceptance into program).

**Note:** BGS students who discontinue or who have previously discontinued the program for any reason and apply for readmission must meet all admission and graduation requirements in place at the time of reapplication.

Regulations, policies, fees, curricula, courses, and other requirements are subject to change at any time.
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:
The requirements for the university core and for individual emphases are found on the MAP on the reverse side of this sheet. Additional instructions regarding credits necessary for graduation are as follows:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:
Religious education hours are a requirement at BYU, but the actual number of hours varies for students with transfer credit. Contact the BGS Office for details regarding individual circumstances. No more than 18 total hours of religion may be counted toward the BGS degree.

ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS:
Completing the university core and emphasis requirements will not necessarily provide sufficient credits for students to meet the overall BYU minimum credit hours needed for graduation. Students should be aware of the number of elective hours needed (preferably from the upper division level) in order for them to graduate.

MAP DISCLAIMER
While every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, there are some student populations that could have exceptions to listed requirements. Please refer to the university catalog and your college advisement center/department for complete guidelines.

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