## University Core and Graduation Requirements

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*THESE CLASSES FILL BOTH UNIVERSITY CORE AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (3-6 hours overlap)*

### Graduation Requirements:

- Minimum residence hours required: 30.0
- Minimum hours needed to graduate: 120.0
### 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

### REQUIREMENT 2
Complete 4 courses

**CORE COURSES:**
- SFL 160 - Introduction to Family Processes
- SFL 260 - The Eternal Family
- SFL 210 - Human Development
- SFL 290 - Critical Inquiry and Research Methods

### REQUIREMENT 3
Complete 15.0 hours from the following option(s)

**ELECTIVE COURSES:**
- SFL 331 - Infant Development in the Family
- SFL 333 - Adolescent Development in the Family and Other Social Contexts
- SFL 334 - Adult Development and Aging in the Family
- SFL 335 - Family Adaptation and Resiliency
- SFL 351 - Social Development
- SFL 355 - Language Development
- SFL 358 - Media, Family, and Human Development

**BYU 300- or 400-level campus courses in the School of Family Life (including Salt Lake Center classes) may also be used to fill this requirement. Note: Only 3 credit hours of 399R may count toward the BGS degree requirements in Family Life. Additional 399R credits may be used as general electives for the upper division hour requirement and for total university hours.**

### REQUIREMENT 4
Complete 3.0 hours from the following option(s)

**OPTION 4.1** Complete up to 3.0 hours from the following course(s)

**ANY COURSES NOT TAKEN IN REQUIREMENT 3 ABOVE MAY BE USED TOWARD FULFILLING THIS THREE-HOUR ELECTIVE REQUIREMENT:**
- SFL 102 - Introduction to Interiors
- SFL 110 - Food Preparation in the Home
- SFL 224 - Marriage Enhancement
- SFL 240 - Parenting and Child Guidance
- SFL 260 - Family Finance
- SFL 359 - Child Life in Healthcare Settings

### REQUIREMENT 5
Complete 1 course

**COMPLETE A CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE (LAST COURSE TO BE COMPLETED):**
- STDEV 490 - Bachelor of General Studies Capstone

### 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 (exam credits excluded).

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.
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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