# University Core and Graduation Requirements

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*THESE COURSES FILL UNIVERSITY CORE AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

## Graduation Requirements:

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

# Suggested Sequence of Courses

## FRESHMAN YEAR

**1st Semester**
- First-year Writing or American Heritage: 3.0
- Religion cornerstone course: 2.0
- PDBIO 120 (Biological Science): 3.0
- Civilization 1 elective: 3.0
- CHEM 105: 4.0
- Quantitative Reasoning (if required)**: 0-3.0
- Total Hours: 15-18.0

**2nd Semester**
- First-year Writing or American Heritage: 3.0
- Arts or Letters elective: 3.0
- CHEM 106 & 107: 4.0
- STAT 121: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

## SOPHOMORE YEAR

**3rd Semester**
- Civilization 2 elective: 3.0
- PHSCS 105 & 107: 4.0
- NDFS 100: 3.0
- Social Science elective: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

**4th Semester**
- Arts or Letters elective: 3.0
- Global & Cultural Awareness elective: 3.0
- MMBIO 240: 3.0
- PDBIO 220: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- Total Hours: 14.0

## JUNIOR YEAR

**5th Semester**
- PDBIO 305 or 362 and 363: 4.0
- EXSC 362: 3.0
- General Education courses, and/or general electives: 3.0
- Adv. Written & Oral Communication: 3.0
- Religion elective: 2.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

**6th Semester**
- EXSC 463: 3.0
- EXSC 464: 0.5
- Major elective (from Requirement 2): 3.0
- EXSC 440: 4.0
- Religion elective: 2.0
- General electives: 4.0
- Total Hours: 16.5

## SENIOR YEAR

**7th Semester**
- Major Elective (from Requirement 2): 3.0
- Major Elective (from Requirement 5): 3.0
- General Electives: 7.0
- Religion Elective: 2.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

**8th Semester**
- Major Elective (from Requirement 2): 3.0
- Major Elective (from Requirement 2): 3.0
- Major Elective (from Requirement 5): 3.0
- General Electives: 6.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

Please check with departments for current availability of all courses.

**Note:** Students are encouraged to complete an average of 15–16 credit hours each semester or 30–32 credit hours each year, which could include spring and/or summer terms. Taking fewer credits substantially increases the cost and the number of semesters to graduate.
Complete a senior exit interview.

**REQUIREMENT 1** Complete 4 courses

**MAJOR COURSES:**
- EXSC 362 - Kinesiology and Biomechanics
- EXSC 440 - Advanced Musculoskeletal Human Anatomy (includes lab)
- EXSC 463 - Exercise Physiology
- EXSC 464 - Exercise Physiology Lab

**REQUIREMENT 2** Complete 12.0 hours from the following course(s)

- EXSC 221 - Science of Wellness
- EXSC 320 - Basic Athletic Training
- EXSC 321 - Basic Athletic Training Lab
- EXSC 387 - Lifestyle and Chronic Disease Prevention
- EXSC 416 - Injury Evaluation: Lower Extremities
- EXSC 417 - Injury Evaluation: Upper Extremities and Trunk
- EXSC 418 - Rehabilitation of Orthopedic Injuries
- EXSC 460 - Orthopaedic Impairments and Therapeutic Exercise
- EXSC 466 - Introduction to Electrocardiograms
- EXSC 468 - Problems in Exercise Prescription
- EXSC 470 - Functional Neuroanatomy
- EXSC 497R - Undergraduate Research and Study

You may take this course up to 1 time.

**REQUIREMENT 3** Complete 10 courses

- CHEM 105 - General College Chemistry 1 with Lab (Integrated)
- CHEM 106 - General College Chemistry 2
- CHEM 107 - General College Chemistry Laboratory
- MMBIO 240 - Molecular Biology
- NDFS 100 - Essentials of Human Nutrition
- PDBIO 120 - Science of Biology
- PDBIO 220 - Human Anatomy (with lab)
- PHSCS 105 - General Physics 1
- PHSCS 107 - General Physics Lab 1
- STAT 121 - Principles of Statistics

**REQUIREMENT 4** Complete 1 option

**OPTION 4.1** Complete 1 course
- PDBIO 305 - Human Physiology

**OPTION 4.2** Complete 2 courses
- PDBIO 362 - Advanced Physiology
- PDBIO 363 - Advanced Physiology Laboratory

**REQUIREMENT 5** Complete 6.0 hours from the following course(s)

**SOME OF THESE ELECTIVES HAVE REQUIRED PREREQUISITES.**
- CHEM 285 - Introductory Bio-organic Chemistry
- CHEM 351 - Organic Chemistry 1
- CHEM 351M - Organic Chemistry 1 - Majors
- CHEM 352 - Organic Chemistry 2
- CHEM 352M - Organic Chemistry 2 - Majors
- CHEM 353 - Organic Chemistry Laboratory - Nonmajors
- CHEM 481 - Biochemistry
- CHEM 481M - Biochemistry - Majors
- HLTH 310 - (Not currently offered)
- HLTH 320 - Advanced First Aid and Safety
- HLTH 335 - Health Behavior Change
- *MATH 112 - Calculus 1
- MATH 119 - Introduction to Calculus
- MMBIO 221 - General Microbiology
- MMBIO 222 - General Microbiology Laboratory
- MMBIO 241 - Molecular and Cellular Biology Laboratory
- NDFS 200 - Nutrient Metabolism
- NDFS 201 - Society, Nutrition, and Chronic Disease
- NDFS 305 - Nutritional Implications of Disease
- NDFS 310 - Nutrition and Metabolism in Sports and Exercise
- PDBIO 320 - Dissection Techniques in Human Anatomy
- PDBIO 325 - Tissue Biology (with lab)
- PDBIO 360 - Cell Biology
- PDBIO 363 - Advanced Physiology Laboratory
- PDBIO 365 - Pathophysiology
- PDBIO 484 - Human Embryology
- PDBIO 561 - Physiology of Drug Mechanisms
- PDBIO 565 - Endocrinology
- PHSCS 106 - General Physics 2
- PHSCS 108 - General Physics Lab 2
- *PSYCH 111 - Introduction to Psychological Science
- PSYCH 220 - Human Development: Life Span
- PSYCH 342 - Abnormal Psychology
- PWS 340 - Genetics
- SOC 111 - Introductory Sociology
- SOC 112 - Current Social Problems
- STDEV 170 - Introduction to Health Professions
- STDEV 317 - Career Strategies for Employment and Internships
- STDEV 399R - Health Professions Internship

You may take this course up to 1 time.

**Note to Premed Students:** Professional schools and graduate programs may require additional courses not required for this major. Contact the programs to which you may apply to determine specific courses that meet their entrance requirements. Students considering professional or graduate degrees should take at least two semesters of mathematical courses. The following required or elective courses are strongly recommended for students considering professional or graduate degrees in the exercise sciences: MMBio 241; PDBio 360, 362, 363; CHEM 351, 352, 353, 481; MATH 119; Stat 121. For more information contact the Preprofessional Advisement Center, 3328 WSC, (801) 422-3044. Contact potential schools of choice for a complete list of entrance requirements.

**THE DISCIPLINE**

The exercise science program is designed to prepare students for entry into graduate school in one of the disciplines related to exercise science or one of the healthcare professional schools.

Students majoring in exercise science explore how the body functions during physical activity and exercise. Principles and concepts taught in human anatomy and physiology, exercise physiology, biomechanics, neurophysiology, chemistry, physics, and nutrition are mastered to help understand how the body responds to acute bouts of exercise and how it adapts to chronic physical activity and exercise. The impact that physical activity and exercise have on one's capacity to do work, physical performance, as well as its impact on health and disease makes study of this discipline rewarding.

Note to students who plan to pursue postgraduate education in various health care fields: The following required or elective courses are strongly recommended for students considering postgraduate professional degrees or graduate degrees in exercise sciences, but are not required for this program: MMBio 241; PDBio 360, 362, 363; CHEM 351, 352, 353, 481; MATH 119; PHSCS 106 & 108; PWS 340. Contact potential schools of choice for a complete list of entrance requirements. Professional schools and graduate programs may require other additional courses not required for this major. Contact the postgraduate programs to which you may apply to determine specific courses that meet their entrance requirements.
Students considering professional or graduate degrees should take at least two semesters of mathematical courses.

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**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The exercise science degree provides excellent preparation for students interested in graduate work in exercise science fields (e.g., exercise physiology MS or PhD) or those desiring to pursue training in medicine, physical therapy, cardiac rehabilitation, podiatry, chiropractic, and other health care professions. Graduates with this major may find opportunities in community, corporate or hospital wellness or fitness centers, and health promotion programs.

The major is designed to prepare students to enter graduate programs in several health related professions; specifically exercise science master and doctoral programs. Those who complete graduate work in exercise science are most likely to be employed as a professor/researcher in a university setting. In addition to graduate studies in exercise science, students are also prepared to attend medical school, dental school, osteopathy school, physician assistant and nursing programs, and chiropractic school.

Salary varies with the terminal degree sought, the choice of career specialty, and geographic location of employment or practice. Earnings for those with certain medical and dental specialties are potentially lucrative.

**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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