GENERAL EDUCATION CORE CURRICULUM

In order to acquire the fundamental skills and cultural background that are the marks of an educated person, all undergraduate students at Texas State complete a 42 semester credit hour program of general education core curriculum courses, which serves as the common foundation for all majors and accounts for about 35 percent of the approximately 120 semester credit hours required for a bachelor's degree.

At the end of the bachelor's program, the student is prepared not only in a departmental field of study, but also in the general abilities of critical thinking, communication, empirical and quantitative skills, teamwork, personal responsibility and social responsibilities that remain universally useful skills in a rapidly changing world. Texas State graduates have the raw materials to build solutions as they fulfill career and civic responsibilities.

A list of courses and course choices that fulfill the general education core curriculum is given below. In many cases, the academic plans of various Texas State colleges, schools, departments, degrees, majors, and certifications modify or exceed these standards, so students are urged to carefully examine all sections of this catalog, which apply to the academic program of their choice.

Students transferring from Texas public institutions of higher education may have to fulfill only those portions of the general education core curriculum not completed at their previous institutions. Students from private or out-of-state institutions or those who took coursework before this core curriculum was put into place (Fall 2014), will have their coursework evaluated to determine if it is equivalent to that required at Texas State.

For all undergraduate students, specific major requirements may override those in the core curriculum. Those who have completed the core requirement for college math, for instance, may have to complete Calculus if such is required by their major. In all cases, the major and core requirements applicable are those in the catalog year to which the student is assigned. A list of general education core requirements at all Texas public institutions of higher education is available online at http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/apps/tcc/.

### Communication Component Code 010 (6 semester credit hours)

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### Mathematics Component Code 020 (3 semester credit hours)

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1. See Department of Mathematics section of this catalog for enrollment requirements.

### Life and Physical Sciences Component Code 030 (6 semester credit hours)

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<td>Building a Greener Future: One Home at a Time</td>
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Students will not receive general education core curriculum credit for both CHEM 1310 and CHEM 1341.

Students will not receive general education core curriculum credit for both PHYS 1315 and PHYS 1430.

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### American History Component Code 060 (6 semester credit hours)

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### Government/Political Science Component Code 070 (6 semester credit hours)

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### Component Area Option Codes 090, 091 and 094 (6 semester credit hours)

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