



The Ohio State University College of Nursing General Education (GE) Curriculum

Ohio State's General Education Curriculum (GE) provides students the breadth of a college education, while the College of Nursing's core curriculum provides students the depth to make an impact within the health care community. Several categories make up the GE curriculum and the specific goals of each category are detailed beneath each listing. Please note, all Nursing courses are major requirements and therefore not reflected on this GE list. GE courses may not overlap two categories.

Any course designated as GE on the Master Class Schedule will fulfill a GE requirement. The category listed on the Master Class Schedule must match the category you need to fulfill on the Degree Audit. For example, Theatre 2100 is listed as a Visual and Performing Arts course. This class can only fulfill the Visual and Performing Arts category. For detailed instructions on how to search using the "Additional Search Criteria" on Buckeye Link, please refer to opposite side of this document.

CATEGORY: Writing and Related Skills

Goal: Develop skills in writing, reading, critical thinking, and oral expression

1. Level One Course, 3 hours
2. Level Two Course, 3 hours

CATEGORY: Quantitative and Logical Skills

Goal: Develop quantitative literacy and logical reasoning, including the ability to identify valid arguments, use mathematical models, draw conclusions, and critically evaluate results based on data.

1. Mathematics 1116 or higher, 3-4 hours
2. Data Analysis, 3 hours

CATEGORY: Natural Sciences

Goal: Foster an understanding of the principles, theories and methods of modern science, the relationship between science and technology, and the effects of science and technology on the environment.

1. Biology, 4 hours
2. Anatomy, 4 hours
3. Chemistry, 5 hours
4. Physiology, 3 hours
5. Human Nutrition, 3 hours

CATEGORY: Social Sciences

Goal: Understand human behavior and cognition, and the structures of human societies, cultures, and institutions.

1. Psychology, 3 hours
2. Sociology, 3 hours

CATEGORY: Historical Survey

Goal: Develop knowledge of past event's influence on today's society and understand how humans view themselves.

1. Two History Courses, 3 hours each or
2. One History course and one Cultures/Ideas Course, 3 hours each

CATEGORY: Literature

Goal: Develop capacities for aesthetic and historical response and judgment; interpretation and evaluation; critical listening, reading, seeing, thinking and writing; and experiencing the arts and reflecting on that experience.

1. Literature Course, 3 hours

CATEGORY: Visual and Performing Arts

Goal: Evaluate significant works of art in order to develop capacities for aesthetic and historical response and judgment; interpretation and evaluation; critical listening, reading, seeing, thinking, and writing; and experiencing the arts and reflecting on that experience.

1. Visual and Performing Arts Course, 3 hours

CATEGORY: Open Option

Goal: Meet minimum graduation credit hour requirement.

1. One Open Option, 3 hours
2. Microbiology 4000 (satisfies the second Open Option)



How to Find a List of Online Courses

The “Additional Search Criteria” function on the Master Class schedule will allow you to search for approved GE courses by category. For instance, students can run a list of approved Cultures and Ideas classes by following the steps outlined below:

1. Go to <http://buckeyelink.osu.edu> and login to your student center using your username and password.
2. Under the Academics heading on the left side of your student center, click the “Add a Class” link.
3. Select the term that you are scheduling for and click “Continue”.
4. On the following page, look in the blue shaded box in the middle of the page and make sure that under “Find Classes,” the option for “Class Search” is selected. Then click on the green button that says “Search”.
5. You then will be prompted on the following page to search for specific classes.
6. Select the Columbus Campus by using the drop down box next to “Campus.” Make sure you select the Columbus Campus. If you do not, classes will appear that are being offered at regional campuses.
7. Below this, there is a tab that says “Additional Search Criteria.” Click the green triangle next to this to expand the search parameters when searching for classes.
8. Towards the bottom, there is a drop down box for “Course Attribute.” Select “General Education” in the drop down box.
9. Directly below this is a drop box for “Course Attribute Value.” Select the GE category you are interested in fulfilling (i.e. Literature, Cultures and Ideas, etc) then click search.
10. After doing so, all approved GE courses offered on the Columbus campus will be listed. Make sure the green circle is next to the classes, identifying that the class is indeed open.
11. Proceed with adding a class as you normally would.

NOTE: Some courses require you to have completed a specific prerequisite course before enrolling. Click on the blue hyperlinked course name to view prerequisite details.