

General Education

General Education Program

Embry-Riddle's General Education Program reflects the University's commitment to "provide a transformative educational experience." Completing the General Education Program will provide students with a broad range of knowledge from a variety of disciplines: humanities, social and natural sciences, and mathematics. By engaging with and investigating ideas and methodologies from several disciplines, students will also recognize interrelationships among the disciplines. Principles taught in general education courses elevate students' ability to conduct meaningful research, work together in diverse and complex teams, and analyze and communicate both scientific and cultural concepts.

Comprising nearly one-third of every undergraduate degree program, the General Education Program ensures that students possess the attributes expected of all university graduates. Students will gain competence in written and oral communication, practice reasoning and critical thinking skills, and demonstrate technological literacy. As they progress into their degree courses and eventually the workplace, students will be challenged to apply these important concepts in unlimited ways, such as graduate research, business presentations, and personal and professional decision-making. Completion of the General Education Program helps students make informed value judgments, expand knowledge and understanding of themselves, and lead meaningful, responsible, and satisfying lives as individuals, professionals, and concerned members of their society and the world.

ERAU's General Education Program provides students with the opportunity to acquire skills in the following areas:

Collaborative Learning

Students will participate effectively in teams.

Communication

Students will express ideas effectively for a variety of audiences, contexts, and purposes.

Critical Thinking

Students will evaluate information from multiple perspectives to develop reasoned conclusions.

Cultural Literacy

Students will analyze how practices, values, or artifacts shape and are shaped by culture.

Information Literacy

Students will synthesize information appropriately to explore problems.

Quantitative Reasoning

Students will interpret data from numeric, tabular, graphical, and related formats to solve problems or infer conclusions.

Scientific Literacy

Students will evaluate scientific concepts, findings, and methodologies to draw logical conclusions.

Technological Literacy

Students will evaluate technology for appropriate applications.

Associate Degree General Education Requirements

Candidates for AS degrees must complete the general education credit hours required by their respective programs. The university is committed to ensuring that students possess a general education knowledge that will help them be successful in whatever degree program they select.

State of Minnesota Course Requirement

Worldwide Campus students residing in the State of Minnesota are required to comply with Minnesota Degree Standards which require students to complete four (4) credits of Humanities. Since Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University – Worldwide baccalaureate degree programs require a minimum of three (3) credits in Humanities, an additional one

(1) hour of Humanities credit is required. Students should seek the assistance of their Academic Advisor if there are questions. Worldwide Campus in Nevada must complete a course that covers the United States and State Constitution. Students may satisfy this requirement by completing GOVT 320 American National Government or through transfer credit of an equivalent course from another institution. This requirement does not apply to students taking courses through the Online Campus outside Nevada.

State of Nevada Course Requirement

All students who obtain their degree from an Embry-Riddle Worldwide Campus in Nevada must complete a course that covers the United States and State Constitution. Students may satisfy this requirement by completing GOVT 320 American National Government or through transfer credit of an equivalent course from another institution. This requirement does not apply to students taking courses through the Online Campus outside Nevada.

Candidates for bachelor's degrees must complete course work in the following areas:

Communication Theory and Skills	9
Computer Science/Information Technology	3
Mathematics	6
Physical and Life Sciences	6
Humanities and Social Sciences	12
3 hours of lower-level Humanities	
3 hours of lower-level Social Science	
3 hours of lower-level or upper-level Humanities or Social Science	
3 hours of upper-level Humanities or Social Science	
Total Credits	36

General Education Courses

General Education courses may be chosen from the list below, assuming prerequisites are met. New courses added to the General Education list may be used for previous catalogs, as long as the previous catalog requirement allows selection of any course from the General Education course list rather than a specific course. Check with your program specific requirements before utilizing the list below.

Communication Theory and Skills (9 credits)		
COM 122	English Composition	3
COM 219	Speech	3
COM 221	Technical Report Writing	3
COM 222	Business Communication	3
COM 223	Intelligence Writing	3
COM 420	Advanced Technical Communication I	1
COM 430	Advanced Technical Communication II	2
LCH 310	Speech in Chinese	3
Computer Science/Information Technology (3 credits)		
CI 119	Introduction to Cyber Security for Non-Majors	3
CS 118	Fundamentals of Computer Programming	3
CS 125	Computer Science I	4
CS 213	Introduction to Computer Networks	3
CS 225	Computer Science II	4
CS 305	Database Systems and Data Mining	3
CS 332	Organization of Programming Languages	3
CS 455	Artificial Intelligence	3
EGR 115	Introduction to Computing for Engineers	3
IT 109	Introduction to Computers and Applications	3
IT 210	Web Page Authoring and Design	3
Mathematics (6 credits)		
BA 222	Business Analytics Tools	3
MA 111	Pre-Calculus for Aviation	3
MA 112	Applied Calculus for Aviation	3

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MA 120	Quantitative Methods I	3	BIO 403	Wildlife and Airports	3
MA 140	College Algebra	3	BIO 405	Molecular and Cell Biology	3
MA 142	Trigonometry	3	BIO 405L	Molecular and Cell Biology Laboratory	1
MA 143	Precalculus Essentials	3	BIO 406	Forensic DNA Analysis	3
MA 145	College Algebra and Trigonometry	5	BIO 406L	Forensic DNA Analysis Laboratory	1
MA 220	Quantitative Methods II	3	BIO 420	Wildlife Management Techniques	3
MA 222	Business Statistics	3	BIO 444	Immunology	3
MA 225	Introduction to Discrete Structures	3	CHM 110	General Chemistry I	3
MA 241	Calculus and Analytical Geometry I	4	CHM 110L	General Chemistry I Laboratory	1
MA 242	Calculus and Analytical Geometry II	4	CHM 111	General Chemistry II	3
MA 243	Calculus and Analytical Geometry III	4	CHM 111L	General Chemistry II Laboratory	1
MA 314	Applied Linear Algebra & Statistics	3	CHM 113	General Chemistry for Engineering	3
MA 320	Decision Mathematics	3	CHM 140	Chemistry for Engineers	4
MA 335	Introduction to Linear and Abstract Algebra	3	CHM 210	Organic Chemistry I	3
MA 341	Introduction to Mathematical Analysis	3	CHM 210L	Organic Chemistry I Laboratory	1
MA 345	Differential Equations and Matrix Methods	4	CHM 211	Organic Chemistry II	3
MA 348	Numerical Analysis I	3	CHM 211L	Organic Chemistry II Laboratory	1
MA 404	Statistics and Research Methods	3	CHM 310	Biochemistry	3
MA 412	Probability and Statistics	3	CHM 310L	Biochemistry Laboratory	1
MA 432	Linear Algebra	3	GEO 210	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems	3
MA 433	Introduction to Optimization	3	GEO 215	Introduction to Geoscience	3
MA 435	Linear and Abstract Algebra II	3	GEO 310	Advanced Geographic Information Systems	3
MA 441	Mathematical Methods for Engineering and Physics I	3	GEO 350	Introduction to Remote Sensing with GIS	3
MA 442	Mathematical Methods for Engineering and Physics II	3	HF 312	Ergonomics and Bioengineering	3
MA 443	Complex Variables	3	PS 113	Introductory Physics I	3
PSY 226	Statistics for Organizational Analysis and Research	3	PS 113L	Introductory Physics I Laboratory	1
Physical and Life Science (6 credits) - One course must include a lab.					
BIO 120	Foundations of Biology I	3	PS 117	Introductory Physics II	3
BIO 120L	Foundations of Biology I Laboratory	1	PS 117L	Introductory Physics II Lab	1
BIO 121	Foundations of Biology II	3	PS 161	Physics I & II for Engineers	4
BIO 121L	Foundations of Biology II Lab	1	PS 204	General Astronomy	3
BIO 142	Intro to Environmental Science	3	PS 208	Physics II	3
BIO 205	Plant Biology	3	PS 215	Physics I	3
BIO 205L	Plant Biology Lab	1	PS 216	Physics I Laboratory	1
BIO 215	Genetics	3	PS 219	Physics III	3
BIO 215L	Genetics Laboratory	1	PS 221	Intermediate Physics Laboratory	2
BIO 216	Microbiology	3	PS 222	Intermediate Astronomy	3
BIO 216L	Microbiology Laboratory	1	PS 232	Computational Methods in the Physical Sciences	3
BIO 220	Wildlife Management	3	PS 250	Physics for Engineers III	3
BIO 245	Natural History of the Region	3	PS 253	Physics Laboratory for Engineers	1
BIO 245L	Natural History of the Region Laboratory	1	PS 321	Classical Mechanics I	3
BIO 302	Instrumental Analysis and Trace Evidence	3	PS 322	Classical Mechanics II	3
BIO 302L	Instrumental Analysis and Trace Evidence Lab	1	PS 330	Electricity and Magnetism I	3
BIO 305	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	PS 331	Electricity and Magnetism II	3
BIO 305L	Human Anatomy & Physiology Laboratory	1	SIS 220	Investigative Methodology and Forensic Science	4
BIO 306	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3	WX 201	Survey of Meteorology	3
BIO 306L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory	1	WX 203L	Survey of Meteorology Laboratory	1
BIO 309	Principles of Ecology	4	WX 261	Applied Climatology	3
BIO 309L	Principles of Ecology Lab	0	WX 270	Weather Information Systems	3
BIO 312	Plant Identification	3	WX 301	Aviation Weather	3
BIO 313	Riparian Ecology	3	WX 312	Mountain Meteorology	3
BIO 315	Ornithology	3	WX 321	Atmospheric Environmental Studies	3
BIO 315L	Ornithology Lab	1	WX 322	Space Weather	3
BIO 318	Mammalogy	4	WX 353	Thermodynamics of the Atmosphere	3
BIO 330	Environmental Consulting	3	WX 354	Dynamics of the Atmosphere	3
			WX 363	Thunderstorms	3
			WX 364	Weather for Aircrews	3

WX 365	Satellite and Radar Weather Interpretation	3	EC 317	Global Economics, Politics and Culture	3
WX 390	Atmospheric Physics	3	HF 300	Human Factors I: Principles and Fundamentals	3
WX 420	Advanced Atmospheric Thermodynamics	3	HF 306	Human Factors III: Performance Processes	4
WX 427	Forecasting Techniques	3	HF 310	Human-Computer Interaction	3
WX 458	All Hazards Support, Modeling and Mapping.	3	PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
WX 490	Advanced Dynamic Meteorology I	3	PSY 222	Introduction to Industrial/Organizational Psychology	3
WX 491	Advanced Dynamic Meteorology II	3	PSY 306	Psychology of Deception Detection	3
WX 492	Advanced Synoptic Meteorology	3	PSY 311	Sensation, Perception, and Cognition	3
Humanities and Social Science (12 credits) - Please verify specification of curriculum requirements.					
Humanities					
HU 112	The Rhetoric of Social Justice Movements & Public Advocacy	3	PSY 313	Personality and Profiling	3
HU 118	Digital Publics & Rhetorical Theory	3	PSY 315	Cognitive Psychology	3
HU 131	History of Jazz	3	PSY 320	Aviation Psychology	3
HU 132	History of Rock and Roll	3	PSY 321	Psychology of Gaming	3
HU 145	Themes in the Humanities	3	PSY 322	Research Design	4
HU 146	Music Appreciation	3	PSY 326	Group and Team Behavior	3
HU 147	Digital Media Storytelling	3	PSY 335	Physiological Psychology	3
HU 148	Art and History of Podcasting	3	PSY 336	Forensic Psychology	3
HU 149	Writing Games: Video Games as Rhetorical Texts	3	PSY 337	Criminality	3
HU 162	Art of the Prehistoric and Ancient World: Caves, Kings, and Pyramids	3	PSY 345	Training and Development	3
HU 163	Art of the Classical World: Gods, Heroes, and Empire	3	PSY 350	Social Psychology	3
HU 164	Foundations of Visual Art: An Examination of Visual Culture	3	PSY 365	Abnormal Psychology	3
HU 165	Travel and Adventure Nonfiction Literature	3	PSY 370	Occupational Health & Performance	3
HU 171	The Origins of Film in America and Europe	3	PSY 401	Psychology of Leadership	3
HU 172	Exploring Science Fiction Films	3	PSY 410	Personnel Selection and Assessment	3
HU 173	Myth and the Marvel Cinematic Universe	3	PSY 412	Drugs, Society, and Crime	3
HU 175	Masterpieces: Art, Music and Literature of Europe Renaissance through the Nineteenth Century	3	PSY 494	Tests and Measurements Theory	3
HU 320	Aesthetics of Visual and Musical Arts	3	SIS 200	Introduction to the U.S. Legal System	3
HU 325	Exploring Film	3	SS 110	World History	3
HU 330	Values and Ethics	3	SS 120	U.S. History	3
HU 332	Cross-Cultural Communication	3	SS 130	History of Aviation in America	3
HU 335	Technology and Modern Civilization	3	SS 204	Introduction to Geography	3
HU 345	Comparative Religions	3	SS 214	Culture, History and Language	3
HU 355	Creative Writing	3	SS 290	History of Modern Europe	3
HU 363	Communication and Society	3	SS 304	Islam and Arabic Culture	3
HU 415	Nonverbal Communication	3	SS 308	Studies in Middle Eastern History and Culture	3
LCH 205	Modern Chinese Media	3	SS 311	U.S Military History 1775-1900	3
LCH 206	Contemporary Chinese Literature	3	SS 313	Modern Middle East in World Affairs	3
LCH 306	Asian Literature	3	SS 314	Culture, History and Language	3
LCH 307	Personality and Profiling	3	SS 320	Government of the U.S.	3
LCH 308	Foundations of Terrorism	3	SS 321	U.S. Military History 1900-Present	3
LCH 400	Eastern and Western Civilization	3	SS 325	International Studies	3
LCH 402	Applied Cross-Cultural Communications	3	SS 326	Russian-U.S. Relations	3
Social Science					
EC 200	An Economic Survey	3	SS 327	International Relations	3
EC 210	Microeconomics	3	SS 333	U.S. - Asian Relations	3
EC 211	Macroeconomics	3	SS 336	The Modern Middle East in World Affairs	3
EC 225	Engineering Economics	3	SS 340	Modern U.S. Foreign Policy	3
EC 302	History of Economic Thought	3	SS 363	Inter-American Relations	3
EC 312	Money and Banking	3			
EC 315	Managerial Economics	3			
EC 316	Environmental Economics and Policy	3			