

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 Academic Advisors are assigned based on the student's college affiliation (COAS, COA, COB) and primary program of study. Assigned Academic Advisor contact information can be found in the Campus Solutions Student Center.

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.