

## Gen Ed Planning Sheet for Transfer Students Entering in Fall 2010 or Spring 2011

Transfer students who have completed the entire SUNY General Education Requirements (SUNY-GER) prior to matriculation at Binghamton, as verified by the General Education Transcript Addendum (GETA), have completed Binghamton University's General Education requirements.

The General Education requirement for transfer students who have not completed the entire SUNY-GER prior to matriculation at Binghamton consists of the following:

<b>SECTION 1: Required General Education Categories</b>	<b>Course</b>
<p><b>Mathematics (M)</b> Mathematics/Reasoning (M) courses include any course in the Mathematics Department numbered 130 or above, any of several designated statistics courses, or any of several designated logic courses. This requirement may also be fulfilled by AP score of 3 or better in Calculus or Statistics or a HIB Math score of 4-7 or a CLEP scaled score of C or better.</p>	
<p><b>Composition (C), Oral Communication (O) or Joint Composition/Oral Communication (J)</b> C courses emphasize writing as a process of revision and require a minimum of 20 pages of expository prose. The C requirement may also be fulfilled by an HIB English A1 score of 4-7. O courses involve at least two oral presentations and evaluation of speaking. J courses combine both Composition and Oral Communication. Students must complete <b>one of the following options</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ one C course <b>plus</b> one O course</li> <li>▪ one J course</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Global Interdependencies (G)</b> G courses consider how one or more of the regions of the world have influenced and interacted with the West and with one another, and how the West has affected and been affected by these regions and their distinctive cultures or civilizations</p>	
<p><b>Laboratory Science (L)</b> L courses emphasize the formulation and testing of hypotheses and the collection, analysis and interpretation of data. In some instances, appropriate AP credit may be used to satisfy this requirement. For more information, please visit the following website: <a href="http://gened.binghamton.edu/ap_lab.doc">http://gened.binghamton.edu/ap_lab.doc</a></p>	

## SECTION 2: Students must select 5 courses from at least 3 of the remaining categories

### Courses taken to fulfill this section

Course 1:	Course 2:	Course 3:	Course 4:	Course 5:
<p><b>Aesthetics (A)</b> A courses enhance students' understanding of the creative process and the role of imagination in it. The A requirement may also be fulfilled with an AP score of 3 or better in Art History, Art Studio or Music Theory or a HIB fine arts score of 4-7.</p>				
<p><b>Foreign Language</b> One college course in foreign language at any level; may also be fulfilled in high school by demonstrating a level of proficiency equivalent to passing the corresponding Regents foreign language examination with a score of 85 or higher.</p>				

**Humanities (H)**

H courses enhance students' understanding of human experience through the study of literature or philosophy. This requirement may also be fulfilled with an AP score of 3 or better in English Lit/Comp, French Literature, German Literature, Latin Literature or Spanish Literature or a HIB humanities score of 4-7.

**Pluralism in the United States (P)**

P courses consider three or more cultural groups in the United States -- African Americans, Asian Americans, European Americans, Latino Americans, and Native Americans -- in terms of their specific experiences and how they have affected and been affected by the basic institutions of American society. Most P courses assume a basic knowledge of US History, measured by demonstrating proficiency in high school in **one of the following ways**:

- Exam score: AP score of 3 or better in US History
- For NY Regents high school students: Score of 85 or better on the US History Regents exam
- For students from non-Regents high schools ONLY: Grade of 85 or better or a B in US History

If you are proficient: Students who demonstrate proficiency can take any designated P course.

If you are not proficient: Students who do not demonstrate proficiency must select from a specific group of P courses that pay significant attention to a broad span of US History. If you are not proficient, your DARS will display a current list of these specialized courses.

**Social Science (N)**

N courses emphasize the major concepts, models and issues of at least one of the social sciences. The N requirement may be satisfied with an AP score of 3 in American History, Economics, European History, Human Geography, Political Science or World History or a HIB social science score of 4-7.

**More information on Gen Ed is online at <http://gened.binghamton.edu>**

**How do I know if a course meets a Gen Ed requirement?**

Gen Ed courses are identified in the Schedule of Classes. To receive Gen Ed credit, a course must be identified with a Gen Ed letter (A, C, etc.) in the semester in which you take it. Gen Ed designations are finalized by the add deadline for each semester. For all General Education requirements, a "course" is understood to be four credits. There are exceptions to this rule: transfer courses that earned three credits at the student's original school; Laboratory Science courses of one and two credits that have a four-credit pre- or co-requisite; Oral Communication courses of varying credits; schools or programs in which three-credit courses are the norm.

**Can a course fulfill more than one Gen Ed requirement?**

Some Gen Ed courses may carry more than one Gen Ed tag (for example, CHP). However, except for C, O, J or Foreign Language classes, Gen Ed courses may be used to fulfill only one Gen Ed category. C, O, J or Foreign Language courses may double-count with one other Gen Ed requirement. Your DARS report will use double-tagged courses in the category in which they are needed; for example, if you take a course designated CNP, you will receive either the CP or the CN, whichever DARS decides you need most.

**Can Gen Ed courses be taken pass/fail?**

Gen Ed courses must be taken for a letter grade (normal grading option) unless a course is only offered pass/fail.

**Can my transfer courses fulfill Gen Ed requirements?**

Transferred college courses are considered for Gen Ed on a course-by-course basis. Courses taken at another SUNY school prior to matriculation at Binghamton that fulfilled a SUNY-wide General Education requirement will fulfill the corresponding Binghamton Gen Ed requirement. Contact your advisor for more information.