

NAME & NSHE ID: _____

**2025-2026
CORE CURRICULUM &
GRADUATION
REQUIREMENTS
CHECKLIST**

NEVADA STATE UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS, SCIENCES & BUSINESS

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CORE CURRICULUM

Please refer to the **Nevada State (NS) catalog** for the full list of courses that can satisfy each of the Core Curriculum requirements below.

ENGLISH.....3-8 CREDITS

NS students can be placed into English courses by submitting ACT or SAT scores OR by completing the English Directed Self-Placement survey. Students often take Composition I during their first semester at NS and Composition II during the second semester. Students who complete Composition II will satisfy the full Core English requirement.

- _____ | Composition I Course..... Credits: _____
- ENG 102 | Composition II Course..... Credits: 3

STUDY AND TECHNOLOGY SKILLS.....0-3 CREDITS

Transfer students with 30+ transferable college credits can waive this requirement.

- _____ | College Success Course..... Credits: _____

MATHEMATICS.....3-4 CREDITS

NS students can be placed into Core Math courses by submitting ACT or SAT scores OR by completing the Math Directed Self-Placement survey. Please see your degree outline and/or consult an Academic Advisor regarding your specific major requirements.

- _____ | Math Core Course..... Credits: _____

NATURAL SCIENCES.....7-8 CREDITS

Two science courses are required, at least one of which must include an associated laboratory (often a co-requisite 1-credit course).

- _____ | Natural Science Core Course..... Credits: _____
- _____ | Natural Science Core + Lab Course(s)..... Credits: _____

SOCIAL SCIENCES.....3 CREDITS

- _____ | Social Sciences Core Course..... Credits: 3

FINE ARTS.....3 CREDITS

- _____ | Fine Arts Core Course..... Credits: 3

HUMANITIES.....6 CREDITS

- _____ | Humanities Core Course..... Credits: 3
- _____ | Humanities Core Course..... Credits: 3

CONSTITUTION.....3-6 CREDITS

Complete either one US Constitution course AND one NV Constitution course OR complete one course that fulfills both US and NV Constitutions (CH 203 or PSC 101).

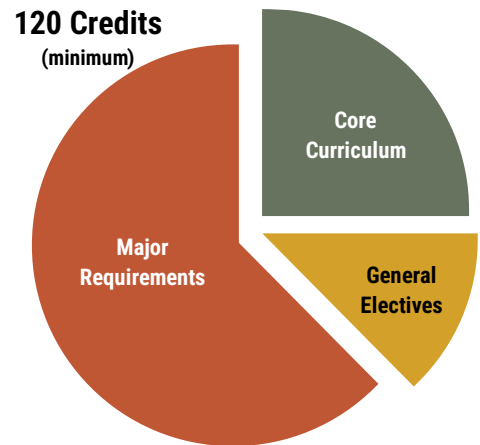
- _____ | NV Constitution Course..... Credits: _____
- _____ | US Constitution Course..... Credits: _____

CULTURAL DIVERSITY.....3 CREDITS

- _____ | Cultural Diversity Core Course..... Credits: 3

Certain Core and Graduation requirements may be satisfied by completing classes in your major.

However, a single course cannot fulfill more than one **Core** requirement. Please ask an Academic Advisor for details.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

General elective courses may be needed to complete the graduation requirements if they are not met once the Core Curriculum and Major requirements are satisfied.

- NS GPA** | Minimum 2.0 GPA from NS courses is required. For students with transfer credits, minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA (NS + Transfer) is required.

- RESIDENCY RULE** | At least 30 upper division credits completed at Nevada State
CREDITS COMPLETED: _____

CREDITS REMAINING: _____

- 120 CREDITS** | At least 120 credits from 100 level courses or above are required
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SCAN OR [CLICK HERE](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CORE CURRICULUM INCLUDING A FULL LIST OF ELIGIBLE COURSES

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COMMUNICATION B.A.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (39 CREDITS)

All courses used to fulfill major requirements must be completed with a minimum C-. Grades below a C- carry no credit towards major requirements.

INTRODUCTORY COURSES.....9 CREDITS

- COM 102** | Intro to Interpersonal Communication..... Credits: 3
- COM 216** | Survey of Communication Studies..... Credits: 3
- COM 333** | Media Literacy..... Credits: 3

FOUNDATIONS.....12 CREDITS

Choose four courses from the following: COM 101, COM 110, COM 212, COM 217*, COM 250, COM 315, COM 330, COM 400, COM 404, COM 412

- _____ | Foundations Elective..... Credits: 3
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CONCENTRATION.....12 CREDITS

Complete 12 credits in one concentration from the following options: Public Relations or Media Studies.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CONCENTRATION

Choose four courses from the following: COM 261, COM 335, COM 375*, COM 463*, COM 475*, or COM 492*

- _____ | Public Relations Elective..... Credits: 3
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MEDIA CONCENTRATION

Choose four courses from the following: COM 221*, COM 380, COM 431, COM 474, COM 485, or COM 488*

- _____ | Media Studies Elective..... Credits: 3
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COMMUNICATION ELECTIVES.....6 CREDITS

Any Communication courses not used to fulfill a major requirement may be used as a major elective.

- COM** _____ | COM Elective..... Credits: 3
- COM** _____ | COM Elective..... Credits: 3

GENERAL ELECTIVES.....43-56 CREDITS

General elective courses are taken to complete the minimum 120 credits needed for graduation. General elective courses cannot double-dip with any major requirements but can be fulfilled by minor requirements. If you declare a minor or additional major, please check with your academic advisor about related policies.

NOTE: At least 30 credits of Upper Division course work must be completed at Nevada State University. Students in this program will need 0-18 credits of additional upper division electives to fulfill the Residency Graduation Requirement. Please see your academic advisor for guidance.

GENERAL ELECTIVE CREDITS COMPLETED: _____

GENERAL ELECTIVE CREDITS REMAINING: _____

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