

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS
COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2023 through Spring 2024

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours	120
Major Hours	30
Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:	
Overall - Combined and OU	2.00
Major - Combined and OU	2.00

Program
Integrative Studies B575 (traditional) and B576 (online) Bachelor of Arts

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Courses taken to fulfill the University General Education Requirements must be chosen from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>.

UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Area I: Symbolic & Oral Communication (9-19 hours)		
<i>English Composition</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
or LSTD 1113	Interdisciplinary Composition I	
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or LSTD 1133	Interdisciplinary Composition II	
<i>Mathematics: Choose one course</i>		3
<i>Language¹</i>		0-10
Core Area II: Natural Science (minimum 7 hours)		
Choose two courses from different disciplines, including 1 laboratory component		
		7
Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
or LSTD 1333	Government in the United States	
Additional Social Science course		
		3
Core Area IV: Arts and Humanities (12 hours)		
<i>Artistic Forms: Choose one course</i>		
		3
<i>Western Culture: Choose one course</i>		
		3
<i>U.S. History</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3
or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
or LSTD 1153	A History of the United States	
<i>World Culture: Choose one course</i>		
		3
Core Area V: First Year Experience (3 hours)		
Choose one course		
		3
Total Credit Hours		37-47

¹Students who have completed two years of high school language are exempt from the general education language requirement. If this requirement is waived, a few hours of General Education electives may be needed to achieve the required 40 hour minimum.

FREE ELECTIVES

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 40 upper-division hours.

A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in each course presented for major credit.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education Requirements.

Every candidate for this degree must select their plan of study, which is a set of courses that meets the student's professional and personal goals.

These courses must total a minimum of 30 credit hours completed at the upper-division level (3000-4000-level).

Courses should be selected in consultation with an advisor to submit a Proposed Plan of Study to the Associate Dean.

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Upper-Division Hours: A minimum of 40 upper-division semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed. OU courses numbered 3000 or above are upper-division. Transfer work is counted as lower-division or upper-division credit depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where it was earned. Two-year college work is accepted only as lower-division credit.

Bachelor of Arts Hours: At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and science courses are required for a BA degree.

P.E. Courses: No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation. **Senior Institution Hours:** A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

Residency: 30 hours of credit applied toward the degree must be satisfactorily completed at OU.

Grade Point Averages: Students must earn a minimum overall 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU.

Special Degrees: The degree with Distinction will be conferred on students who achieve at least a 3.65 retention grade point in their OU and combined grade point average. The degree with Special Distinction requires at least a 3.75 retention grade point average in the OU and combined grade point average.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/professional-continuing-studies/college-pacs-administrated-programs/integrative-studies-bachelor-arts/>).