In addition to the General Education Curriculum (GEC) required by the university, the College of Arts and Sciences also requires students to complete the Liberal Education Commitment (LEC). These courses are intended to broaden your exposure to different ways of thinking about the world and different ways of engaging in learning. The faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences believe that having this breadth of knowledge will help you develop the communication, critical thinking, and problem solving skills necessary to be an active participant in 21st century society.

LEC requirements are built on your GEC requirements, and specify certain areas of knowledge in which the faculty of the College believe more experience is better. The black text lists your General Education Core (GEC) requirements and the blue text your Liberal Education Commitment (LEC) requirements.

**GEC + LEC requirements:**

- 1 GFA: Fine Arts
- 2 GLT: Literature
- 1 GPR: Philosophy/Religion/Ethics
- 1 GPM: Pre-Modern History
- 1 GMO: Modern History
- 1 GMT: Mathematics
- 1 GLS: Life Science
- 1 GPS: Physical Science
- 1 GNS: Science with a lab
- 2 GRD: Reasoning and Discourse
- 3 GSB: Social Behavioral Sciences
- 0-4 GFL: Intermediate Additional Language Proficiency (Placement Diagnostic indicates the accurate starting point in the language sequence 101, 102, 203, 204)
- 4 WI: Writing Intensives (1 in your major)
- 2 SI: Speaking Intensives (1 in your major)
- 4 GL/GN: Global or Global Nonwestern (1 must be GN)

The College of Arts and Sciences DOES NOT recommend the idea of “just getting your Gen Ed out of the way.” Your schedule should include a balance of Gen Ed and major coursework each semester of your first year if you want to stay on track for graduation and also keep your brain happy and challenged.

In many cases, the courses you are required to take for your major will also meet GEC or LEC requirements. This means that, if you are still deciding between several different majors, it may be possible to explore all your options while still completing requirements. If this is something you’d like to do, reach out to your advisor for assistance in picking courses that meet both major and GEC/LEC requirements.