

General Education Advisor Guide: Spring 2026 & Mini-Terms

Below are suggested options from departments for general education when required classes are not specified for a major. See that the mini-term options are noted as well.

Block Tuition & Mini-Term Reminders

- Block tuition covers 18 hours in a long semester PLUS any hours in the associated mini-terms. Cost per hour over 18 is \$560 per semester hour. Tuition for mini-terms is discounted for those with block tuition at \$50 per credit hour.
- A student has to be enrolled full-time in the Spring 2026 semester to take January/May terms as part of the spring block tuition. If the student is not full-time when the spring semester starts, then tuition will be charged to the student for the January/May terms.
- August, December, and Winter Terms are part of the block tuition if students are enrolled full time in Fall classes.
- If a student wants to take 19 hours during a long term, it must be approved by the Dean and Provost. Inform students who enroll in one-week minis that their courses will be open in Canvas 6 days prior and they may have assignments up to 6 days after the course meeting dates to allow them to have additional time to work on out-of-class assignments in a more manageable manner. Encourage them to look in Canvas for the specific due dates.

Christian Ministry CHRM 1301 and 1302	
December	CHRM 1301 Introduction to the Bible
January	CHRM 1301 Introduction to the Bible
Spring	CHRM 1301 Introduction to the Bible (for students with no OT or NT) CHRM 1302 Introduction to Biblical Discipleship (for students who have already completed CHRM 1301, 1320, or 1330)
May IA	CHRM 1301 Introduction to the Bible
May Mini II	CHRM 1302 Introduction to Biblical Discipleship
English All students take ENGL 1301 and 1302 and Sophomore Literature Students may take any 2000 level English to fulfill their literature requirement. Please do not enroll students in ENGL 2310 unless it is required by their major.	
December	ENGL 2304 Intro to Cinema
Spring	ENGL 1301 Rhetoric and Composition I ENGL 1302 Rhetoric and Composition II ENGL 2304 Introduction to Cinema ENGL 2305 African American Lit ENGL 2309 Detective Fiction ENGL 2326 American Literature ENGL 2331 World Literature
May Mini III	ENGL 1302 Rhetoric and Composition II
Fine Arts Combination of any 3 hours that do not have to be taken in same semester.	

Refer to catalog for courses that can be repeated. Performative (usually 1 hour) courses count in this category as well. Listed below are the courses encouraged for most students.	
January	THEA 1310 Introduction to Theatre
Spring	MUSI 1313 History of Country Music MUSI 1314 Jazz in America MUSI 3350 History of Jazz THEA 1310 Introduction to Theater
May Mini IA	FNAT 1306 Appreciation of the Arts
May Mini II	MUSI 1305 History of Rock & Roll MUSI 3309 Music of Middle Earth
History Any 3 hours, but most should take HIST 1301 or 1302.	
December	HIST 1302 United States Since 1877
Spring	HIST 1301 United States to 1877 HIST 1302 United States Since 1877 HIST 2312 Western Civilization II (not recommended unless required by major)
May Mini IA	HIST 1302 United States Since 1877
Kinesiology/Physical Activity KINE 1238 – Contact Dr. Brown if a transfer student comes in with a course substituted for KINE 1164 or if a student has a physical disability.	
December	KINE 1238 Lifetime Fitness
January	KINE 1238 Lifetime Fitness
Spring	KINE 1238 Lifetime Fitness
May IA	KINE 1238 Lifetime Fitness
Math	
Spring	MATH 1300 Finite Math MATH 1310 Consumer Mathematics and Numeracy MATH 1329 Between the Lines: Stats and Baseball (does not count as Gen Ed in all majors or if student has already taken MATH 1342 or MATH 2351) MATH 1342 Elementary Statistics
Political Science POSC 2305	
December	POSC 2305 Federal Government
Spring	POSC 2305 Federal Government
May IA	POSC 2305 Federal Government
Science Must be a 4-hour lab science. Please don't enroll a non-science major in any science class that has the word "General" in the title.	
Spring	BIOL 1414 Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology BIOL 2406 Environmental Issues CHEM 1305/1105 Chemical Concepts PSCI 1417 Introduction to Earth Science
Social Science	

It is recommended that students either complete their MATH requirement or have a competency in math prior to enrolling in ECON.	
January	GEOG 1303 Foundations of Geography
Spring	CJUS 1301 Introduction to Criminal Justice System ECON 2301 Macroeconomics ECON 2302 Microeconomics PSYC 2301 Introduction to Psychology SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
Communication COMM 1311, COMM 1315 or COMM 1318 All three can fulfill the Communication gen. ed. requirement for MOST majors. Be sure to double check that your students' major hasn't limited the requirement to just one or two of the options.	
December	COMM 1311 Fundamentals of Speech Communication
Spring	COMM 1311 Fundamentals of Speech Communication COMM 1315 Public Speaking COMM 1318 Interpersonal Communication
May IA	COMM 1311 Fundamentals of Speech Communication
Foreign Language Only required on Bachelor of Arts degrees. We offer Greek and Spanish.	
Spring	SPAN 1411 Elementary Spanish I SPAN 1412 Elementary Spanish II SPAN 2311 Intermediate Spanish I