

General Education

Requirements

General Education requirements are designed to provide the student with a broad knowledge base and assist students in finding areas of interest. General Education requirements are considered fulfilled for students who have earned an Associate Degree from a Virginia Community College: AA, AS, AA&S degrees ONLY.

The General Education requirements consist of courses in 11 areas divided into **Skills** and **Perspectives**. ALL students receiving a degree from Old Dominion University MUST fulfill the General Education requirements. Some of the General Education requirements are fulfilled by courses required by the major; the advisor will discuss this with the student.

Written Communication Skills: 6 Hours <i>ENGL 110C (English Composition) and Select One Additional:</i>	
ENGL 111C English Composition	ENGL 131C Technical and Scientific Writing

Oral Communication Skills: 3 Hours Sometimes satisfied in the major <i>Select One:</i>		
COMM 101R Public Speaking	COMM 112R Interpersonal Communication	COMM 103R Voice and Diction

Literature Perspectives: 3 Hours <i>Select One:</i>		
ENGL 112L Enjoying Literature	FLET 100L Foreign Literature, English Translation	ENGL 144L American Writers, American Experiences

Fine and Performing Arts: 3 Hours <i>Select One:</i>			
ART 121A Intro to Visual Arts	DANC 185A Dance and Its Audience	THEA 241A Theatre Experience	ARTS 122A Visual Communication/ Studio Arts
MUSC 264A Music in History	COM/THEA 270A Film Appreciation		

Philosophy: 3 Hours <i>Select One:</i>		
PHIL 110P Introduction to Philosophy	PHIL 150P World Religions	PHIL 120P Logic and Philosophy

History: 6 Hours <i>Select Two:</i>				
HIST 101H Asia in a World Setting	HIST 102H Europe in a World Setting	HIST 103H Latin America in a World Setting	HIST 104H United States in a World Setting	HIST 105H Africa in a World Setting

Social Sciences Perspectives: 6 Hours* Select Two: They must be from different subject areas			
ANTH 110S Intro to Anthropology	COMM 200S Introduction to Human Communication	CRJS 215S Intro to Criminal Justice	ECON 200S Basic Economics
ECON 201S Macroeconomics	ECON 202S Microeconomics	GEOG 100S Cultural Geography	GEOG 101S Environmental Geography
POLS 100S International Politics	POLS 101S American Politics	PSYC 201S Intro to Psychology	PSYC 203S Lifespan Development
SOC 201S Intro to Sociology	WMST 201S Women in a Changing World		

Natural Sciences Perspectives: For most majors this requirement will be met through your major requirements. Consult the curriculum sheet given to you by your advisor for your major requirements.

Mathematics Skills: Requirements vary by department; consult the curriculum sheet for your major.

Computer Skills: Requirements vary by department; consult the curriculum sheet for your major.

Foreign Language Skills- 6 hours: Exempt if....

- High School graduate before 1986;
- 2 High School credits in 2 different languages; or
- 3 High School credits in 1 language.

***Computer Science majors:** only 3 hours of social science and 3 hours of history are required by CS majors