

2025-2026 Graduation and General Education Requirements

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To earn a degree from Central Washington University, you must:

- Take UNIV 101 if entering with fewer than 45 credits*
- Complete a world language with 2 years of the same language in high school or one year of college-level world language*
- Complete a minimum of 180 credits, including:
 - 60 upper-division credits (300-400 level)
 - 45 credits earned at CWU
 - Earned cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher

*If you have a direct transfer agreement (DTA) associate degree, you've already completed UNIV 101, the language requirement, and your general education.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

To know which classes count toward general education, check out page two and your Academic Requirements Report in myCWU.

How to use this worksheet: Enter the courses you have taken or plan to take for each general education requirement. Check your Academic Requirements Report in MyCWU and talk with your academic advisor to make sure your choices help you reach your academic goals.

I. ENGAGE: FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE

Complete by 60 credits

ACADEMIC WRITING I: You must complete the Directed Self-Placement before enrolling. You must earn a C- or higher in AWI before taking Academic Writing II.

QUANTITATIVE REASONING: You must have an appropriate math placement before enrolling. Talk with your advisor.

II. EXPLORE AND CONNECT

KNOWLEDGE AREAS – take one course from each area**

K1. Academic Writing II	
K2. Community, Culture & Citizenship	
K3. Creative Expression	
K4. Global Dynamics	
K5. Humanities	
K6. Individual & Society	
K7. Physical & Natural World	
K8. Science & Technology	

****Knowledge Area Prefixes in the Same Department** - You may only apply two classes from the same department to meet the knowledge area requirements. See the second page for a list of prefixes within the same department.

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Academic Advising



Academic Calendars



Academic Writing I DHC 102; ENG 101, ENG 101A/B*; PHIL 110, 111		Quantitative Reasoning BUS 221; CS 109; ECON 130; FIN 174; HESC 360; IT 165; MATH 101, 102, 103, 130, 152, 153, 154, 155, 164, 172, 211; PHYS 111, 121, 181; PSY 362	
II. Explore and Connect	These courses can be taken any year. All students must take one course in each of the areas of knowledge in the rows in the table. Students may take courses from a single department or interdisciplinary program in no more than two Knowledge Areas**		
K1. Academic Writing II (complete by 90 credits)	ADMG 285; DHC 270; EDTL 218; ENG 102, 103, 104, 111; ENTP 200/MGT200; HIST 302; PHIL 151, 152, 153		
K2. Community, Culture & Citizenship	ABS 210; AFRO 101/102/103/103L*; AIS 103; ART 333; BUS 241; COM 202; DHC 260; ECON 101; EDBL 250; EFC 250; ENG 243; ENST 360; FR 200; GEOG 250; HIST 143, 144; LAJ 102; LIS 245; LLAS 102, 302, 303, 405; LLAS/WGSS 302; MKT 360; PHIL 107, 108, 311; POSC 210; PUBH 311, 351; RUSS 200; SOC 109, 305; SUST 301; WGSS 201; YESS 102		
K3. Creative Expression	ART 103; AST 301/CHIN 301; COM 250; DHC 150; EDLT 219; ENG 263, 264, 265; FILM 150; FR 201; MUS 101, 102, 103; TH 101, 107		
K4. Global Dynamics	ANTH 130; AST 102; COM 302; DHC 261; ECON 102, 202; EDLT 217; ENG 347; ENST 310; GEOG 101; GEOL 303; HIST 101, 103; IDS 343; KRN 311; MSL 101/102/103*; MUS 105; PHIL 106, POSC 270; PUBH 317; RELS 103; WGSS 340; WLC 311		
K5. Humanities	ABS 110; AIS 101; AST 378; DHC 140; ENG 105, 106, 107, 108, 109; HIST 102, 301 378; HUM 101, 102, 103; LAJ 215; LLAS 388; MGT 395; PHIL 101, 104, 105; POSC 280; RELS 101, 102, 378; TH 382; WLC 341		
K6. Individual & Society	AIS 101, ANTH 107; 180; ASP 305; ATM 281; CDFS 101, 232, 234, 237, 310; CDFS/EDEC 232; DHC 250; ECON 201; GEOG 208, 273; HED 101; HRM 381; IDS 357; LAJ 202, 216; LLAS 301; MGT 380, 386, 389; PHYS 213; POSC 101, 260; PSY 101, 205, 242, 333; PUBH 209; SCED 305; SOC 101, 107, 307, 322, 327; STP 201/202*, STP 300; TH 377; WGSS 250; YESS 101		
K7. Physical & Natural World	ANTH 110, 314; BIOL 101, 200; CHEM 111/LAB, 113/LAB, 181/LAB; DHC 180; DNCE 109; ENST 201; EXSC 154; GEOG 107; GEOL 101, 107; PHYS 101, 103, 106, 109; SCED 101, 102		
K8. Science & Technology	ACCT 301; ANTH 120; BIOL 201, 205, 300; CHEM 101, CS 102, 105, 107; DHC 280; EET 101, ENST 202; ETSC 101; FIN 101; GEOG 111; GEOL 108, 302; IEM 302, IT 105, 111, 202; MATH 210; NUTR 101; PHYS 304; SCED 103; SHM 102		
**Knowledge Area Prefixes Same Department	This is a list of departments that have multiple prefixes in General Education: Curriculum, Supervision and Educational Leadership = ASP, EFC; Education, Development, Teaching and Learning = EDLT, EDBL; Engineering Technologies, Safety, and Construction = CMGT, EET, ETSC, SHM; English = ENG, HUM; Environmental Studies = ENST, SUST; Family & Consumer Sciences = ATM, CDFS, CTE, FCS; Finance & SCM = BUS, FIN; Geography = GEOG, IEM; Health Sciences = EXSC, NUTR, PUBH; Information Technology and Management = ADMG, IT ; Management Department = ENTP, HRM, MGT, MKT; Philosophy & Comparative Religion = PHIL, RELS; Sport and Movement Studies = DNCE, HED; Science and Mathematics Education = SCED, STP; Theatre & Film = FILM, TH; World Languages Department = CHIN, FR, GERM, KRN, RUSS, SPAN, WLC		

**Must take all courses in the series to receive General Education credit.*