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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: At least 30 credit hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS.

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Women's and Ethnic Studies: [Home](http://www.uccs.edu) | [Women's & Ethnic Studies \(uccs.edu\)](http://www.uccs.edu)

Major Requirements			
Women's & Ethnic Studies Major (31 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires a minimum of 31 credit hours of WEST course work and a minimum of 22 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) WEST course work. All WEST courses must have a grade of "C" or better. <p>*Note 1: WEST 4995 must be taken with the Capstone-flagged course in the same semester. Instructor permission is required to enroll for WEST 4995.</p> <p>**NOTE 2: WEST 4980 must be taken in the semester preceding WEST 4990.</p>	WEST 1010	Introduction to Social Justice Studies	3
	WEST 3400	Theory and Methods in WEST (<i>fall only</i>)	3
	Transnational/ Global Studies Substantive Area	Complete 3 hours from the list below: WEST 2070, 3070, 3280, 3370, 3380, 3480, 3550, 3680, 4050, 4100, 4120, 4170, 4380, 4570, 4700, 4780	3
	Creative and Artistic Expression Substantive Area	Complete 3 hours from the list below: WEST 2500, 2750, 3020, 3100, 3360, 3380, 3550, 3620, 4025, 4100	3
	Social Movements, Communities and History Substantive Area	Complete 3 hours from the list below: WEST 2070, 2080, 2100, 3060, 3090, 3130, 3230, 3240, 3280, 3290, 3370, 3480, 3620, 3680, 3760, 4030, 4120, 4130, 4140, 4160, 4170, 4280, 4470, 4480, 4530, 4700, 4838	3
	WEST Capstone/Summit Experience	Standard Track: Complete WEST 4995 and one of the following 4000-level capstone-flagged courses.* WEST 4025, 4030, 4040, 4130, 4170, 4280, 4470, 4480, 4530, 4700, 4838 OR Honors Track: Complete WEST 4980 and WEST 4990.**	4
	WEST Electives	Complete an additional 12 hours of WEST electives to fulfill total and upper-division hours for the major. At least 6-15 hours must be upper-division (3000+ level) depending on which Substantive Area courses are chosen.	12

General Education and Elective Requirements		
Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 Writing Portfolio – PORT 3000 (0 credits) or PORT 4000 (1 credit) or alternative – See Degree Audit 	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Core Humanities (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course. 	
Natural Sciences Lab (1 hour)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Degree Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component 	
Oral Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Degree Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This course may also fulfill general education or major requirements. 	
LAS Language other than English Requirement	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>	
Compass Curriculum (21 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and Navigate courses must be taken in departments other than the major. Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses may count toward other requirements within the degree. 	Component	Course
	Gateway Program Seminar	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)
	Summit	WEST 4995 or 4990 (included in major requirements)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements) See Degree Audit
	Inclusiveness (2 courses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WEST 1010 (included in major requirements) See Degree Audit
	Sustainability	See Degree Audit
General Electives (55 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course (<i>INDS 1050</i>)	3
		WEST 1010	3		WEST Substantive Area Course – Creative/Artistic	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		WEST Substantive Area Course – Social Movements	3		Upper-Division (UD) WEST Elective	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3		Natural Science Lab	1
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		General Elective	4
		General Elective (<i>Writing Intensive</i>)	3		General Elective (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		WEST 3400 (<i>fall only</i>)	3		UD WEST Elective	3
		UD WEST Substantive Area Course - Transnational	3		UD WEST Elective	3
		HUM 3990	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective (<i>Sustainability</i>)	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		WEST 4995 (<i>Standard Track</i>)* or WEST 4980 (<i>Honors Track</i>)**	1		WEST 4990 (<i>Honors Track</i>) or UD WEST Elective	3
		WEST 4000-level Capstone course or UD WEST Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	16		TOTAL	15

*WEST 4995 and the capstone-flagged course must be taken in the same semester (Standard Track).

**WEST 4980 must be taken in the semester preceding WEST 4990 (Honors Track).