

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

General Education Core Curriculum

A.A. and Baccalaureate Degrees

36 Credit Hours

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- There are 36 credit hours of General Education (Section (s.) 1007.25, Florida Statutes (F.S.) ([#http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=1000-1099/1007/Sections/1007.25.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=1000-1099/1007/Sections/1007.25.html)))#:
 - Area I: **Communication** courses must afford students the ability to communicate effectively, including the ability to write clearly and engage in public speaking.
 - Area II: **Humanities** courses must afford students the ability to think critically through the mastering of subjects concerned with human culture, especially literature, history, art, music, and philosophy, and must include selections from the Western canon.
 - Area III: **Social Science** courses must afford students an understanding of the basic social and behavioral science concepts and principles used in the analysis of behavior and past and present social, political, and economic issues.
 - Area IV: **Mathematics** courses must afford students a mastery of foundational mathematical and computation models and methods by applying such models and methods in problem solving.
 - Area V: **Natural Science** courses must afford students the ability to critically examine and evaluate the principles of the scientific method, model construction, and use the scientific method to explain natural experiences and phenomena.
 - **General Education Flex** courses give students flexibility by providing an additional area for satisfying general education requirements.

A.S. Degrees

A minimum of 15 General Education Credit Hours are required. See program curriculum for specific requirements

All students entering Lake-Sumter State College under the 2026-2027 catalog year are required to satisfy general education core curriculum requirements by successfully completing one state core course from each of the first five areas listed below.

Current LSSC students under a prior academic year's catalog must consult that catalog's general education core curriculum pages before making course selections.

Students may choose to update their status to the current year's catalog at any time if continuously enrolled (up to six academic years). For information regarding LSSC's governing catalog rules see the Governing Catalog section (<https://lssc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-information/academic-policies-procedures/governing-catalog/>) of this catalog.

Code	Title	Hours
Area I: Communications 9 hrs		
Select 2 courses from the state core and one course from the institutional core.		9
State Core Required		
ENC 1101	College Composition I ¹	
ENC 1102	Composition: Literature ¹	
ENC 2210	Technical & Professional Writing ¹	
Institutional Core		
SPC 2608	Public Speaking	
Area II: Humanities 6 hrs		
Select one course from the following State Core and one course from the Institutional Core, or two courses from the State Core:		6
State Core		
ARH 2000	Art Appreciation	
HUM 2020	Introduction to Humanities: Antiquity through the 21st Century	
LIT 2000	Introduction to Literature ²	
MUL 2010	Music Appreciation	
PHI 2010	Introduction to Philosophy ²	
THE 1000	Theater Appreciation	
Institutional Core		
ARH 2050	Art History I	
FIL 2001	Introduction to American Cinema ²	
HUM 2310	Mythology and the Humanities ²	
MUH 1018	Introduction to Jazz	
PHI 2600	Introduction to Ethics ²	
REL 2300	World Religions	
THE 1304	Introduction to Script Analysis	
Area III: Social and Behavioral Sciences 6 hrs		
Select one course from the following State Core and one course from the Institutional Core, or two courses from the State Core:		6
State Core		
AMH 2010	U.S. History to 1877 ²	
AMH 2020	U.S. History Since 1877 ²	
ECO 2013	Principles of Economics I, Macroeconomics	
POS 2041	American National Government ²	
PSY 2012	Introduction to Psychology	
Institutional Core		
DEP 2004	Psychology of Human Development	
ECO 2023	Principles of Economics II, Microeconomics	
EDF 2005	Introduction to Education	
SOP 2002	Social Psychology	
SYG 2000	Introduction to Sociology	
Area IV: Mathematics 6 hrs		
Select 1 course from the State Core and 1 course from the Institutional Core, OR select 2 courses from the State Core		6
A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in each college level computational or "Gordon Rule" mathematics course		
State Core		
MGF 1130	Mathematical Thinking	
MAC 1105	College Algebra ³	
MAC 1105C	College Algebra with Integrated Review ³	

MAC 1114	Trigonometry
MAC 1140	Precalculus Algebra ⁴
MAC 2233	Calculus for Business
MAC 2311	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I
MAC 2312	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II
STA 2023	Elementary Statistics I
Institutional Core	
MGF 1131	Mathematics in Context
MAC 1106	Combined College Algebra/Precalculus ^{3,4}
MAC 2313	Calculus with Analytic Geometry III
MAP 2302	Differential Equations

Area V: Natural Sciences 6 hrs

Select one course from the following State Core and one course from ⁶ the Institutional Core, **or** two courses from the State Core:

State Core	
AST 1002	Introduction to Astronomy
BSC 1005	Introduction to Life Science
BSC 1010C	General Biology I w/Lab
BSC 1011C	General Biology II w/Lab
BSC 2085C	Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab
BSC 2086C	Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab
CHM 1020	Chemistry in Society
CHM 2045C	General Chemistry I w/Lab
CHM 2046C	General Chemistry II w/Lab
ESC 1000	Earth Science Survey
EVR 1001	Environmental Sustainability
MCB 2010C	Microbiology w/Lab
OCE 1001	Introduction to Oceanography
PHY 1020C	Conceptual Physics
PHY 2053C	College Physics I with Lab
PHY 2054C	College Physics II w/Lab
PHY 2048C	Physics I with Calculus w/Lab
PHY 2049C	Physics II with Calculus w/Lab

Institutional Core

CHM 1025C	Introductory Chemistry w/Lab
CHM 1083	Environmental Science
PSC 1001	Inventions & Discoveries: Science in a Changing World
PSC 1515	Energy & the Environment

Area VI: General Education Flex 3hrs

Select one course from the following: ³

CRW 2000	Creative Writing I ²
SPC 1017	Interpersonal Communication
TPP 2110	Acting I

Or any General Education course from Areas I-V that has not already been completed.

Total Hours **36**

¹ ENC 1101 College Composition I, ENC 1102 Composition: Literature, ENC 2210 Technical & Professional Writing: *Writing Emphasis* or "Gordon Rule" writing course with CODE: GRW - A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in each *Writing Emphasis* course. Students who complete ENC 1101 College Composition I or a course in which ENC 1101 College Composition I is a prerequisite with a grade of "C" or better will be

automatically awarded the digital badge for Fundamentals of Written Communication.

² LIT 2000 Introduction to Literature, PHI 2010 Introduction to Philosophy, FIL 2001 Introduction to American Cinema, HUM 2310 Mythology and the Humanities, AMH 2010 U.S. History to 1877, AMH 2020 U.S. History Since 1877, POS 2041 American National Government, and CRW 2000 Creative Writing I: Writing Emphasis or "Gordon Rule" writing course with CODE: GRW - A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in each course for it to count as Writing Emphasis.

³ Only one of the following may be taken for credit: MAC 1105 College Algebra, MAC 1105C College Algebra with Integrated Review, or MAC 1106 Combined College Algebra/Precalculus.

⁴ Only one of the following may be taken for credit: MAC 1106 or MAC 1140.

General Education

General Education Mission

The General Education Program at Lake-Sumter State College provides the student with broad knowledge and skills needed to be thoughtful, global citizens. The general education courses build a foundation for success in associate and baccalaureate programs and is the basis for lifelong learning.

Through the general education curriculum, students will acquire skills necessary to think analytically, communicate effectively, be fluent with various forms of information, and be socially responsible.

Institutional Student Learning Outcomes

The Institutional Student Learning Outcomes (ISLOs) are assessed across the entire college curriculum and represent broad areas of knowledge, skills, and experience that students gain by the time they graduate from any degree program at LSSC. Students are assessed for their levels of achievement in these competencies through their matriculation in the College's General Education Core Curriculum, as well as through elective courses.

The Institutional Student Learning Outcomes are measured in the A.A. degree program, which includes 36 hours from the Core Curriculum. All A.S. degree programs also include a substantial component of Core Curriculum courses through which students are assessed for their achievement levels in the Institutional Student Learning Outcomes, as well as in courses for their subsequent degree specialization.

Institutional Student Learning Outcomes Upon graduation from any degree program at LSSC, the student will:

- **Analytical Thinking**

Analyze and evaluate data; draw rational and warranted conclusions by integrating quantitative and/or qualitative reasoning.

- **Communication**

Create clear thesis and organization, appropriately develop and present message content, use correct grammar, and demonstrate effective written and/or verbal communication.

- **Information Fluency**

Evaluate information by selecting, using, and documenting college-level resources, and apply current technology appropriate for academic assignments and/or career goals.

- **Social Responsibility**

Interpret the breadth and variety of human cultures and/or the complex inter-relationships between humans and the environment.