



General Education Requirements

Wells College

In addition to all major-related coursework, all students are required to complete the general education core curriculum in order to graduate with their undergraduate degree from Wells College. You will need a minimum number of 38 credits to meet the general education requirement.

General education at Wells has three components:

- (1) **Foundations**, which develops essential building blocks of a high-quality liberal arts and sciences education.
- (2) **Perspectives**, through which the student is immersed in a diverse world of learning and scholarship across the liberal arts and sciences.
- (3) **Connections**, whereby the student takes advantage of programs and resources that promote rigorous scholarship, healthy lifestyles, financial well-being and career preparation.

Fulfillment of the core curriculum ensures that every Wells student has the opportunity to explore breadth in the liberal arts and sciences while developing the skills for successful professional development, rewarding social engagement, and effective lifelong learning.

FOUNDATIONS

WLLS 100: Wellness, Engagement, & Lifelong Learning for Success (3 credits)
*Required during your first semester

WLLS 105: College Writing (first year, Fall or Spring) (3 credits)

PERSPECTIVES

A maximum of 6 credits in any one discipline may be counted for the Perspectives component of the General Education curriculum. A course can fulfill only one component of the General Education curriculum.

Creative Expression (3 credits)

Choose from certain courses in book arts, creative writing, dance, music, studio art, and theatre. This requirement can be met by one 3-credit course or a combination of courses to total 3 credits.

Enduring Questions of Human Existence (3 credits)

Choose from certain courses in anthropology, art history, book arts, English, dance history, FNIS, history, music history, philosophy, religion, Spanish, and theatre history.

Social Systems (3 credits)

Choose from certain courses in anthropology, business, economics, political science, psychology, sociology, and sustainability.

Inclusion & Justice (3 credits)

Choose from certain courses in anthropology, criminal justice, education, first nations and indigenous studies, international studies, social & economic justice, sustainability, women's & gender studies, and HUM-prefixed courses.

Quantitative Reasoning (3 credits)

Explore one of the mathematical concepts and skills courses.

Natural Sciences (4 credits)

Explore one of the natural sciences courses that include a laboratory component.

Languages and Cultures (3-4 credits)

Develop a cultural appreciation and familiarity with a language other than English.

CONNECTIONS

Experiential Learning (3-8 credits)

Two experiential learning experiences are required, one of which must be off-campus.

Skills for Lifelong Learning (2-4 credits)

Choose any two from CS, 100, FOOD 201, HS 109, SUS 195, THDA (Adv Stagecraft), WLLS 121, WLLS 122, WLLS 123, WLLS 126, or WLLS 127

Mind-Body Wellness (2-10 credits)

Choose 4 courses, two of which must be activity based, from certain Physical Education courses, certain dance courses, course on nutrition, holistic health, or healthy lifestyles.

*Financial Wellness (3 credits) *Required*

All students are required to take WLLS 110: Personal Financial Management before they graduate.