

Planning An Academic Program

Degree Residency Requirement

1. A minimum of 30 credits must be earned at UW-Green Bay.
2. The minimum credit residency requirement for a major is 15 credits.
3. The minimum credit residency requirement for a minor is 9 credits.
4. One half of the upper-level requirements for any major, minor, etc., must be earned at UW-Green Bay.

A student who has completed the junior year and meets the residency requirement, but cannot complete the senior year in residence for reasons of employment transfer, marriage, or other cause, can graduate from UW-Green Bay. Appropriate courses taken at another university as a substitute for senior year residence at UW-Green Bay can be selected with an adviser. Selected courses must then be approved by the chairperson of the student's major and, if necessary, by the appropriate academic dean.

Guidelines for Majors and Minors

1. Majors will consist of a minimum of 30 credits with at least 24 credits at the upper level.

2. Minors will consist of a minimum of 18 credits with at least 12 credits at the upper level. The three exceptions are music, art, and theatre.
3. Closing entries on the official transcript will include only degrees, date, major(s), minor(s), and honors (if any).
4. Diplomas will carry only the degree (B.A., B.S., etc.) and all-university honors, if any.
5. Overlapping of requirements for majors, minors, and professional programs with the general education requirements is permitted.
6. Majors, minors and professional programs may declare that their requirements are valid for a maximum period of five years following the final approval of a student's academic plan.

Components of a Degree

Component I

General Education and Competency

37-48 credits

Requirements

0-6 credits of English competency

0-3 credits of mathematics competency

Four course writing emphasis

37-39 credits of breadth consisting of:

- 3 credits of fine arts
- 9 credits of humanities

- 9 credits of social sciences
- 10-12 credits of natural sciences
- 3 credits of ethnic studies
- 3 credits of world culture

Component II **Supporting Courses**

Credits vary with major; they are included in the credit total of Component III

Preparatory and methods courses appropriate to the major (usually supporting courses).

Component III **Major**

30-48 credits minimum

Students choose one of these:

1. Interdisciplinary major (minimum of 30 credits in the major; 24 of these credits must be at the upper level)

OR

2. Disciplinary major (minimum of 30 credits in the major; 24 of these credits must be at the upper level)

plus

Interdisciplinary minor (minimum of 18 credits; 12 of these credits must be at the upper level)

OR

3. Professional degree (either Bachelor of Science Nursing, Bachelor of Social Work, or Bachelor of Music)

Component IV

Other Options

Credits vary, depending on the number of credits earned in Components I, II and III

Courses to bring total credits to minimum of 120 degree credits required for graduation such as:

1. Minor or additional minor in disciplinary or interdisciplinary program
2. Other specific professional program
3. Electives
4. Other possibilities to be designed with an adviser

Minimum Requirement:

120 degree credits

Students must have a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on UW-Green Bay courses and a 2.0 grade point average for each major and/or minor. Certain majors, minors, and professional programs may have higher minimum grade point graduation requirements.

Interdisciplinary Majors, Minors, and Areas of Emphasis

All students must complete an interdisciplinary major or minor.

- Bulleted items indicate Areas of Emphasis.

Business Administration(BBA)

- Finance
- Marketing

Humanistic Studies (BA)

- Western Cultures
- First Nation Studies

- Management

(Students who choose a Business Administration major must also complete a disciplinary or interdisciplinary minor.)

Communication (BA or BS)

- Electronic Media
- Organizational Communication
- Photography
- Journalism
- Public Relations

Communication and the Arts (BA)

- Environmental Design
- Communication Arts

Computer Science (BS)

(major only)

Education (BA)

(Students pursuing licensure at the secondary level will major in a subject area and minor in education.)

Environmental Policy and Planning (BS)

- Public Policy
- Planning

- Religious Studies
- Linguistics/Teaching English as a Second Language

Individual Major (BA or BS)

(major only)

Information Sciences (BS)

Interdisciplinary Studies (BA)

(major only)

Nursing (BSN for RNs)

Public Administration (BS)

- Public Management and Policy
- Nonprofit Management

Social Change and Development (BA or BS)

- American Studies
- Global Studies
- Law and Justice Studies
- Women's Studies

Social Work (BSW)

Urban and Regional Studies (BA)

- Community Development
- Environmental Design

Environmental Science (BS)

First Nations Studies

(minor only)

Human Biology (BS)

- General Human Biology
- Health Science
- Exercise Science
- Cytotechnology
- Nutritional Sciences/Dietetics

Human Development (BS)

- Ethnic Studies
- Land Surveying
- Urban and Regional Planning
- Urban and Regional Studies
General Program

Women's Studies

(minor only)

Disciplinary Majors, Minors, and Areas of Emphasis

All students who choose a disciplinary major must also complete an interdisciplinary major or minor.

- Bulleted items indicate Areas of Emphasis.

Accounting (BBA)

Anthropology

(minor only)

Art (BA)

- Studio Art
- Gallery/Museum Practices
- Art Education

Biology (BS)

Chemistry (BS)

German (BA)

History (BA)

Mathematics (BS)

- Mathematics
- Statistics

Music (BA or BM)

- Performance
- Applied Music
- Jazz Studies
- Music History and Literature

Computer Science (BS)
Corporate Communication

(minor only)

Earth Science (BS)

Economics (BS)

English (BA)

- Creative Writing
- Literature
- English Education

French (BA)

Geography

(minor only)

- Music Education

Philosophy (BA)

Physics

(minor only)

Political Science (BA)

Psychology (BS)

Sociology

(minor only)

Spanish (BA)

Theatre (BA)

- Performance
- Design/Technical Theatre
- Theatre Studies
- Musical Theatre

The Major and Minor

The University's program array is displayed above. UW-Green Bay offers both disciplinary and interdisciplinary majors. A more thorough explanation of these terms can be found in [A UW-Green Bay Education](#).

The choice of major determines whether a minor is required. For example, the field of environmental policy and planning is an interdisciplinary major. It has two areas of emphasis: public policy and planning. The University's academic program emphasizes the importance of interdisciplinary learning, and requires students to choose either an interdisciplinary major or minor. Since the environmental policy

and planning major is interdisciplinary, the student will have fulfilled the requirement of interdisciplinary study. A minor is then optional, rather than required.

The student who has chosen a disciplinary major — for example, chemistry — follows a different path. With a major in a discipline, he or she is required to choose a minor in a program that is interdisciplinary — for example, in human biology.

There are exceptions. These include programs that are offered only as majors or only as minors and professional studies such as business administration and education which have distinctive structures. The student will want to carefully study the individual program descriptions in the following pages.

Areas of Emphasis

Students can develop significant specializations by choosing areas of emphasis offered by many UW-Green Bay majors and minors. These can lead to specific and productive career fields. Examples of areas of emphasis include gallery/museum practices, environmental design, nutritional sciences/dietetics, law and justice studies, and photography. Students can learn about other areas of emphasis by reading descriptions of related majors and minors in this catalog, and by consulting advisers.

Teacher Preparation

The University offers an interdisciplinary major in education for students seeking pre-school and elementary-level teaching licensure and an interdisciplinary minor in education for students who desire licensure at the secondary level. Teacher preparation is offered for the following age levels:

Early Childhood

(Ages 0-8)

Middle Childhood through Early Adolescence

(Ages 6-12/13)

Early Adolescence through Adolescence

(Ages 10-21)

Early Childhood through Adolescence

(All Ages)

Preprofessional Programs

The University offers a wide variety of preprofessional programs. Some programs may be completed within one or two years while others require the completion of a four-year baccalaureate program prior to transfer to the professional school. For information, contact the Academic Advising Office. The preprofessional programs are:

- **Architecture**
- **Chiropractics**
- **Dentistry**
- **Dietetics**
- **Engineering**
- **Law**
- **Medicine**
- **Optometry**
- **Pharmacy**

- Physical Therapy
- Physician Assistant
- Veterinary Medicine

Cooperative Program

Engineering

(cooperative program with UW-Milwaukee)

Certificates and Other Programs

- Coaching (Athletics)
- Teaching English as a Second Language
- International Studies
- Military Science (ROTC)

Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree

UW-Green Bay offers a two-year program of study leading to an associate of arts and sciences (AAS) degree. Requirements for the degree include completion of:

- the lower-level general education requirements for the baccalaureate degree (natural science must include the completion of a laboratory science course);
- the math and English proficiency and competency requirements;
- 40 credits of "breadth" courses which includes the general education requirements;
- a 12-credit area of emphasis as defined by a faculty adviser;
- 60 degree credits (AAS candidates are not eligible for honors programs);
- 15 credits earned "in residence";
- a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

Students should contact the Academic Advising Office as early as possible for assistance in planning their programs to assure that all degree requirements are fulfilled.

Academic Advising

The academic advising process at UW-Green Bay is designed to maximize students' educational potential through communication and information exchanges with an adviser; these exchanges are ongoing, individualized, multifaceted, and the responsibility of both student and adviser. Advising is assumed to be a developmental, decision-making process that assists students in the clarification of their life/career goals and the completion of educational plans for the realization of those goals. The adviser serves as a facilitator and coordinator of student learning through educational planning and academic progress review, and an agent of referral to other campus programs and services as necessary. Academic advising is a joint effort of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs.

All first year students, new transfer students and undeclared students will be assigned to a professional adviser in the Office of Academic Advising until the point in which the student officially declares the major. Upon official declaration of the major, the student will be assigned to a faculty adviser for that major. The student's assigned adviser and contact information is available in the student's SIS (Student Information System) account.

Contact the [Office of Academic Advising](#) for more information about academic advisers and the advising process.

Declaration of Major

All students are encouraged to declare a major as early as possible in their undergraduate career. The University requires all students to declare a major by the time they have earned 36 credits. Additionally, all students are required to have a complete academic plan (e.g. interdisciplinary major or minor, area of emphasis) on file with the Registrar's Office by the time they have a total of 62 credits earned and in progress. The academic plan form is available at <http://www.uwgb.edu/registrar>.

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