

# BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES

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## Academic Programs

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) degree is an interdisciplinary degree that allows students to design a curriculum to meet individual goals by connecting the Texas core curriculum, 3 academic minors, one General Studies capstone course, and appropriate supporting courses. During the senior year, BGS majors will complete a capstone course (UNIV 4301) in which the student will complete a project that requires the integration of knowledge and ideas from the three areas of study.

## Requirements to Apply

- Students must be a junior or senior in good standing with at least a 2.0 overall GPA to declare a BGS major.
- Prior to declaration, students must attend an information session with an academic advisor.
- Students must have senior hours, be in good academic standing, and have completed their required upper level English writing course to register for UNIV 4301.

## Available Minors

A list of all available minors for the Bachelor of General Studies degree can be found here (<http://www.shsu.edu/programs/bachelor-of-general-studies/classroom.html>) , and a list of available on-line minors can be found here (<http://www.shsu.edu/programs/bachelor-of-general-studies/online.html>) . Certain minor combinations may not be allowed if coursework is duplicative. Please consult with the BGS coordinator to insure that the proposed combination of minors is appropriate.

## Bachelor of General Studies

**Core Curriculum** ([catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum](http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum))

Component Area I (Communication) 1st year	6
Component Area II (Mathematics) 1st or 2nd year	3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) 1st or 2nd year	8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) 1st or 2nd year	3
Component Area V (Creative Arts) 1st or 2nd year	3
Component Area VI (U.S. History) 1st or 2nd year	6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government) 1st or 2nd year	6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) 1st or 2nd year	3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option) 1st or 2nd year	4

### Degree Specific Requirements

CSTE 1330	Introduction To Computers	3
or BUAD 1305	Electronic Communications Tech	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 3330	Intro To Technical Writing	
ENGL 3377	Argument And Persuasion	
ENGL 3378	Designing Written Documents	
ENGL 3380	Advanced Composition	

### Major Core

UNIV 4301	Gen Studies Capstone Project (4th year)	3
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### Major

Minor Area 1 - 3rd or 4th year <sup>1</sup>	18
Minor Area 2 - 3rd or 4th year <sup>1</sup>	18
Minor Area 3 - 3rd or 4th year <sup>1</sup>	18

### Electives

Select 15 hours of electives <sup>1</sup>	15
Total Hours	120

<sup>1</sup> Some minors require more than 18 semester credit hours. This will impact the number of elective hours required and the total hours required for the BGS.