

## Baccalaureate Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Requirements



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To earn a baccalaureate degree from St. Kate's you need to complete a minimum of 130 semester credits, which includes your required major courses and supporting work, your liberal arts core curriculum and your elective classes.

This form delineates the requirements of the liberal arts core curriculum for both the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees. Most majors offer options for both degrees.

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

**Core writing requirements** — St. Kate's requires you to take four writing-intensive courses.

- **CORE 1000: The Reflective Woman.** All entering St. Kate's students begin their studies with this writing-intensive course.
- **CORE 3990: Global Search for Justice.** In your junior or senior year, you will take this writing-intensive, capstone course.
- **Required major writing-intensive course.** Each department designates a writing-intensive course required for majors.
- **Your choice of a writing-intensive course.** For the fourth class, you may choose from other writing-intensive courses.

○ **History** — one course.

○ **Literature in English** — one literature course that involves careful reading of any literary genre written in or translated into English. Must bear English department designation. (Neither creative writing nor expository writing courses fulfill this requirement.)

○ **Fine Arts** — one course from among the following: art, music, theater or classical mythology. Special rules apply for music lessons and ensembles. (Communication courses do not satisfy requirement).

○ **Philosophy and Theology** — three courses, including at least one in each area. One must be a philosophy course other than PHIL 2100 or PHIL 2150.

○ **Foreign Language** — demonstration of equivalency through the third semester level either by completion of the first semester intermediate course at St. Catherine University or by achieving a passing grade on an approved equivalency test. American Sign Language (ASL) satisfies this requirement. Satisfied by three years of acceptable high school coursework in the same language.

○ **Health and Fitness** — completion of two different one-credit courses from the EXSS 1000 offerings **or** the two-credit course, EXSS 1030 Health, Fitness and Lifestyle Issues.

○ **Critical Studies of Race and Ethnicity (CRST) or Women's Studies (WOST)** — one CRST or WOST course or one CRST or WOST cross-listed course.

○ **Social Science** — one course from among the following: anthropology, economics, geography, political science, psychology or sociology, except ECON 2200 or 2250, or PSYC 2050.

○ **Mathematics or Statistics** — one course, selected from ECON 2200 or 2250, PSYC 2050 and all MATH courses numbered 1000 or higher except MATH 2500 and MATH 2510.

○ **Laboratory Science** — one course with a laboratory component chosen from biology, chemistry, geology or physics.

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**Core writing requirements** — St. Kate's requires you to take four writing-intensive courses.

- **CORE 1000: The Reflective Woman.** All entering St. Kate's students begin their studies with this writing-intensive course.
- **CORE 3990: Global Search for Justice.** In your junior or senior year, you will take this writing-intensive, capstone course.
- **Required major writing-intensive course.** Each department designates a writing-intensive course required for majors.
- **Your choice of a writing-intensive course.** For the fourth class, you may choose from other writing-intensive courses.

○ **History** — one course.

○ **Literature in English** — one literature course that involves careful reading of any literary genre written in or translated into English. Must bear English department designation. (Neither creative writing nor expository writing courses fulfill this requirement.)

○ **Fine Arts** — one course from among the following: art, music, theater or classical mythology. Special rules apply for music lessons and ensembles. (Communication courses do not satisfy requirement).

○ **Philosophy and Theology** — two courses, one in each area. Any theology course and any philosophy course except PHIL 2100 or PHIL 2150.

○ **Foreign Language** — demonstration of equivalency through the second semester level either by completion of the second semester elementary course at St. Catherine University or by achieving a passing grade on an approved equivalency test. American Sign Language (ASL) satisfies this requirement. Satisfied by two years of acceptable high school coursework in the same language.

○ **Health and Fitness** — completion of two different one-credit courses from the EXSS 1000 offerings **or** the two-credit course, EXSS 1030 Health, Fitness and Lifestyle Issues.

○ **Critical Studies of Race and Ethnicity (CRST) or Women's Studies (WOST)** — one CRST or WOST course or one CRST or WOST cross-listed course.

○ **Social Science, Mathematics or Statistics, and Laboratory Science** — five courses, including at least one from mathematics or statistics, one from laboratory sciences and one from social sciences. Courses chosen from categories described in the left column.