Welcome to the College of Arts and Science!

New York University
College Cohort Program

• A co-curricular initiative that gives a four-year shape to student life in CAS

• Helps you **acclimate** during your first year through cohort meetings and activities

• One of your academic courses—your **First-Year Seminar**—will be taken with your cohort members

• Led by a **College Leader** (an upper-class student) and an **Academic Advisor**
• **Serves as your primary advisor until you declare a major**
  ○ After you declare your major, you will be assigned an advisor within your major department

• **Serves as a mentor and resource helping you to:**
  ○ Navigate CAS requirements
  ○ Explore major options
  ○ Explore study abroad options
  ○ Provide info on university resources
  ○ Find your niche
The Big Four Degree Requirements

128 Credits + 2.0 GPA + completion of 1 Major College Core Curriculum
I. 128 Credits

You must complete 128 credits in order to graduate.

Average course = 4 credits per course

4 courses per semester x 4 credits per course = 16 credits per semester

16 credits per semester x 8 semesters = 128 credits
II. Grade Point Average - 2.0

Students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher to graduate.

Students must also have a GPA of 2.0 or higher in their major courses.
III. Major

All students must complete a major before they graduate.

You must declare a major prior to completing **64 total credits** (by the end of your sophomore year).

Students declare their major by visiting the department of the major they wish to declare, and they can **change their major at any time** prior to graduation.
The College Core Curriculum

NYU’s liberal arts core
IV. The College Core Curriculum

There are five parts to the Core Curriculum:

- First-Year Seminar
- Expository Writing
- Foreign Language
- Foundations of Contemporary Culture
- Foundations of Scientific Inquiry
First-Year Seminars are small, discussion-based classes (15-17 students) taught by top faculty members and leaders in their fields.

- Feature a wide range of topics in natural science, social science, and humanities
- Students in your seminar will be your fellow cohort members
- All students will take in fall or spring of first year (except for students who take Writing the Essay: Science and Society)
- You’ll select your seminar preferences later in the portal
# Core Curriculum Part 2: Expository Writing

## Writing the Essay
- Stresses exploration, inquiry, reflection, analysis, and collaboration
- Instruction in analyzing and interpreting written texts

## Writing the Essay: Science and Society
- Tailored for students interested in science or medicine
- Read and respond to essays by prominent scientists
- Can be taken instead of First-Year Seminar

## Writing the Essay: Goddard/Rubin
- Part of the Themed Engagement Community options for residence halls
- Students participate in professor-led programs and events

## International Writing Workshops
- Writing courses for international students
- Students must complete both I & II

## Writing as Exploration & Writing as Critical Inquiry (formerly known as Writing I & II)
- Writing courses for Opportunity Programs (HEOP & CSTEP) students
- Students must complete both Writing as Exploration & Writing as Critical Inquiry
Please proceed to Part 2 on the following page.
Show proficiency through:

• Placement exam
• Certain AP, IB, or SAT Subject Test scores
• Completing coursework in a language through the Intermediate II level
Core Curriculum Part 4: Foundations of Contemporary Culture

Texts & Ideas
- Diverse group of humanities courses covering challenging and influential texts
- Courses explore themes or investigate the relationship between two periods of intellectual history

Societies & the Social Sciences
- Understanding social, political, and economic transformations
- Study societal structures and human behavior

Cultures & Contexts
- Examine the ways cultures interact through colonization, immigration, and representation in media
- How groups define themselves through beliefs, values, and customs

Expressive Culture
- Explore complexities of artistic expression
- Topics focus on sound, images, words, performance, or film
Core Curriculum Part 5: **Foundations of Scientific Inquiry**

**Quantitative Reasoning**
- Provides students with mathematical foundations and to evaluate, and draw conclusions from numerical evidence.

**Physical Science**
- Examine the foundations of physics and chemistry.

**Life Science**
- Focuses on the areas of biology, neuroscience, and physical anthropology.
Reviewing Core Requirements: Parts 1, 2, & 3

1. First-Year Seminar
   a. All students take a seminar or Writing the Essay: Science and Society during first year (fall or spring) along with your cohort members
   b. You will select your preferences for this course later in the portal

2. Expository Writing
   a. Cannot be exempted, and must be taken in your first year
   b. Expository Writing Options: WTE, WTE Science & Society, WTE Goddard/Rubin, International Writing Workshops, Writing as Exploration & Writing as Critical Inquiry
   c. Students who take WTE: Science and Society, typically, will not take a First-Year Seminar and will take a comparable seminar later in their CAS career

3. Foreign Language
   a. Proficiency must be demonstrated by either:
      1. Taking a placement exam and exemption exam
      2. Completing coursework in a language through the Intermediate II level
      3. Certain AP, IB, A Level, or SAT Subject Test foreign language scores (consult with your academic advisor)
4. Foundations of Contemporary Culture

a. Texts & Ideas
   i. There are no exemptions from Texts & Ideas
   ii. Students should plan to take it in their first year

b. Cultures & Contexts
   i. There are no exemptions from Cultures & Contexts
   ii. Students should plan to take it in their first year

c. Societies & the Social Sciences
   i. Completion of a designated major or minor program in the social or behavioral sciences; or
   ii. Completion of an approved departmental course within the Core Curriculum department listings

d. Expressive Culture
   i. Completion of a designated major or minor program in the humanities; or
   ii. Completion of a designated course within the Core Curriculum department listings
5. Foundations of Scientific Inquiry

a. Quantitative Reasoning

Can be satisfied by:
- **AP Credit** for Calculus (AB or BC) or Statistics with a score of 4 or 5
- **IB** (HL 6 or 7) or **A Level** (B or higher) credit in Mathematics
- **SAT Subject Tests** in Mathematics (Levels 1 or 2) with a score of 700 or above

Completion of one of the following courses:
- QR course listed in Core Curriculum classes
  - BIOL-UA 42, Biostatistics
  - ECON-UA 18, Statistics
  - ECON-UA 20, Analytical Statistics
  - ENVST-UA 310, Environmental Quantitative Methods
  - LING-UA 6, Patterns in Language
  - MATH-UA 121, Calculus I
  - MATH-UA 143, Calculus I for Biological and Life Sciences
  - MATH-UA 211, Mathematics for Economics I
  - MATH-UA 221, Honors Calculus I
  - MATH-UA 17, Calculus for the Social Sciences
  - POL-UA 850, Introduction to Research Methods for Politics
  - PSYCH-UA 10, Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
  - SOC-UA 302, Statistics for Social Research
  - UGPH-GU 20, Biostatistics in Public Health

b. Physical Science & Life Science

Can be satisfied by:
- Completion of a designated Core Curriculum Physical Science (CORE-UA 2xx) and Life Science (CORE-UA 3xx) course or approved departmental courses
- **Year-long sequence** of Chemistry or Physics I & II

• **AP, IB, or A Level** credit in one of the following areas:
  - Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Physics 1 and Physics 2
  - Physics B
  - Physics C-Mech and Physics C-E&M
Exploring Majors

College majors and minors, and cross-school and pre-professional programs
Planning Your Academic Program

In order to complete your degree, you will complete the course requirements for

The Core Curriculum & Your Major

as well as additional

Elective Courses
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The Core Curriculum of the College of Arts and Science provides a foundational academic experience of general education in the liberal arts for undergraduates at NYU. Courses in the Core Curriculum are designed to give students in the College the skills and breadth of intellectual perspective to flourish in their major programs of study and in their later careers. For students in the other participating schools and programs, the curriculum has been adapted to provide the liberal arts core of their professional preparation.

TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES

- College Core Curriculum Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowships for 2021-2022
- Recitation and Laboratory Instructors for 2021-2022
# MAJORS AND MINORS

### MAJORS

- **Africana Studies** B.A.
- **American Studies** B.A.
- **Anthropology** B.A.
- **Anthropology and Classical Civilization (major only)** B.A.
- **Anthropology and Linguistics (major only)** B.A.
- **Art History** B.A.
- **Art History and Classics (major only)** B.A.
- **Asian/Pacific/American Studies** B.A.
- **Biochemistry (major only)** B.A.
- **Biology** B.A., B.S.
- **Chemistry** B.A., B.S.
- **Cinema Studies** B.A.
- **Classical Civilization** B.A.
- **Classical Civilization and Hellenic Studies (major only)** B.A.
- **Classics** B.A.
- **Comparative Literature** B.A.
- **Computer Science** B.A., B.S.
- **Computer and Data Science (major only)** B.A.
- **Computer Science and Mathematics** B.A.
- **Data Science** B.A.
- **Dramatic Literature** B.A.
- **East Asian Studies** B.A.
- **Economics** B.A.
- **Economics and Computer Science (major only)** B.A.

### MINORS

- **Hebrew and Judaic Studies** B.A.
- **Hellenic Studies** B.A.
- **History** B.A.
- **Iberian Studies** B.A.
- **International Relations (major only)** B.A.
- **Italian Studies (major only)** B.A.
- **Italian and Linguistics** B.A.
- **Journalism** B.A.
- **Language and Mind (major only)** B.A.
- **Latin American and Caribbean Studies** B.A.
- **Latino Studies** B.A.
- **Linguistics** B.A.
- **Luso-Brazilian Language and Literature** B.A.
- **Mathematics** B.A., B.S.
- **Medieval and Renaissance Studies** B.A.
- **Metropolitan Studies** B.A.
- **Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies** B.A.
- **Music** B.A.
- **Neural Science (major only)** B.S.
- **Philosophy** B.A.
- **Physics** B.A., B.S.
- **Politics** B.A.
- **Psychology** B.A.
- **Public Policy** B.A.
What’s Next

• Review additional advising presentations to learn about specialized student populations and programs at CAS (available in the portal and at the CAS New Student Center):
  o Engineering Program
  o International Students
  o Opportunity Programs
  o Prehealth Program
  o Prelaw Program

• Select the “Next Section” button on the page to go to the CAS Advising Portal Checkpoint