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DEGREE REQUIREMENTS - A Brief Overview for Undergraduate Students

The following information is also located in the Simmons College Undergraduate Course catalog available in the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office and online:

<http://www.simmons.edu/overview/academics/catalogs/>.

- ❖ Completion of **128 semester hours** with a passing evaluation from the Department Chair of declared major: Students must have a Minimum grade point average (**GPA of 2.00**, calculated from all courses taken at Simmons using the letter grade system in order for graduation).
- ❖ First-Year Program: (*Transfer and Dix Scholar students check your Transfer Credit Evaluation Form to determine which of these requirements you need to complete*).
 - First Year Experience (FYS) 101 College Seminar
 - First Year Experience (FYS) 102 College Writing I
 - First Year Experience (FYS) 103 College Writing II
- ❖ US and Global Diversity Requirement: one 4 credit course from a pre-select list of courses that addresses issues of power and privilege from multiple perspectives.
- ❖ Competency in Basic Mathematics.
- ❖ Language: Students must take up to three semesters of a modern language (**through 201**) in order to fulfill the requirement. (*DIX SCHOLARS are exempt from completing this requirement*).
- ❖ Majors (at least **28 semester hours**). Major should be declared in the sophomore year and must be declared before you enter your junior year, or complete 80 institutional credits.
- ❖ Minors (optional) (**20 semester hours**).
- ❖ Modes of Inquiry: (one course from each mode required)
 - **Mode 1** – Creative and Performing Arts
 - **Mode 2** – Language, Literature, and Culture
 - **Mode 3** – Quantitative Analysis and Reasoning
 - **Mode 4** – Scientific Inquiry
 - **Mode 5** – Social and Historical Perspectives
 - **Mode 6** – Psychological and Ethical Development
- ❖ Independent Learning (at least **8 semester hours**)
 - Campus-Based Independent Learning:
 - Independent Study
 - Thesis
 - Integrative Seminar
 - Field-Based Independent Learning (no more than 16 semester hours):
 - Internship
 - Fieldwork/Practicum
- ❖ iComps
 - Simmons technology competency requirement (cannot be transferred in)
 - Online exam following study of materials posted to eLearning - Simmons College Community Intranet.
 - Exam offered at least twice a year
- ❖ Financial Empowerment Seminar (attend once before completion of degree)