

Signature Courses

INT 101	The Neumann Experience 1 credit
THEO 104	Theological Foundations 3 credits
THEO XXX	One Theology course at 200 level or above 3 credits
PHIL 102	Exploring Ethics 3 credits
PHIL XXX	Any designated PHIL course at the 200 level or above 3 credits
CAPSTONE	Capstone Course offered in the Major

SERVICE-LEARNING:

Included in first year activities with reflection in Theology 104 and one upper level course in the major program of study.

DIVERSITY-CERTIFIED COURSE:

All first-year students entering Neumann University in Fall 2019 or after that date and all transfer students entering the class of 2023 or later are required to take one Diversity-certified course. The course may be a Core course, General Elective, or required course within the major program. Approved courses are designated as Diversity-certified.

Educational Foundation in Liberal Arts

ENG 101	Rhetoric and Writing I 3 credits
ENG 102	Rhetoric and Writing II 3 credits
ENG XXX	Any designated English literature course at the 100- or 200- level 3 credits

WRITING INTENSIVE COURSES:

All English 102 and Core Literature courses and one or more courses within every major are writing intensive. Writing intensive courses within the major are designated Writing Intensive.

MATH 3 credits

One of the following courses:

MATH 102 Introductory Statistics

MATH 103 College Algebra

MATH 106 Mathematical Decision-making

MATH 110 Precalculus

MATH 205: Mathematical Modeling for Teachers II (for students seeking teaching certification)

SCIENCE 3 credits/1 credit

One of the following courses:

BIO 105/115 Principles of Biology/Lab
BIO 107/117 General Biology I/Lab
CHEM 101/111 Fundamentals of Chemistry/Lab

CHEM 102/112 Chemical Investigations/ Lab

CHEM 107/117 General Chemistry I/Lab
ENV 105/115 Introduction to Environmental Studies/Lab

PHYSC 105/115 Physical Science/Lab
PHY 107/117 Physics I/Lab

SOCIAL SCIENCES 3 credits

One of the following courses:

ANTHR 101 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

ANTHR 102 Principles of Cultural Anthropology

POLSC 101 The American Political Process

PSYCH 101 General Psychology
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology
ECON 200 Essentials of Economics

HISTORY 3 credits

(Any History [*HIST*] course at the 100- or 200-level)

FINE ARTS: ART, MUSIC, OR THEATER 3 credits

(Any designated course in Art [*ART*], Music [*MUS*], Theater [*THEA*], or PHIL 260, *The Philosophy of Music* or ARTPP180, *Introduction to Arts Production & Performance*)

LANGUAGE 3 credits

(For students entering Neumann University as first year students in Fall 2019 or after that date and all transfer students entering the class of 2023 or later)

One Foreign Language course at the Elementary II level or higher or an approved Computer Science or Bioinformatics course satisfies this Core requirement. The major program may specify the language option that is most relevant to the major.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE & DIVERSITY: 3 credits

(For students entering Neumann University before Fall 2019)

One Foreign Language course at the Elementary II level or higher satisfies this Core requirement. Foreign Language at the Elementary I level counts toward General Elective credit.

TOTAL CORE CREDITS: 41 credits

N.B. Course requirements for the Degree Completion Program are determined by the Division of Continuing Adult and Professional Studies.

N.B. Course requirements are for all students entering Fall 2019; students who entered the University prior to 2019 will follow the Core in the 2018 Catalog.

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What are the Core Learning Outcomes?

Active engagement in the Neumann University Core Experience, including credit-bearing courses and co-curricular activities, provides Neumann University graduates the opportunity to achieve the following learning outcomes:

Comprehension: Think critically, creatively, and analytically

Analyze and solve complex problems; demonstrate quantitative reasoning and scientific literacy; and explore the relationship of contemporary and historical events and issues.

Contemplation: Engage in meaningful reflection

Apply the principles and values of the Catholic Franciscan tradition to personal, professional, and societal questions and issues; engage in self-reflection; embrace life-long learning; discern career and vocational choices; and recognize and appreciate creative expression.

Conscience: Act ethically and responsibly

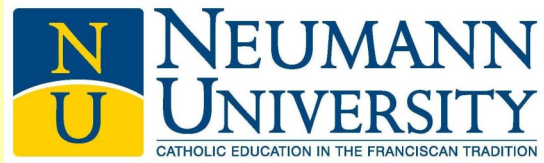
Demonstrate personal, professional, and academic honesty; accept responsibility for the consequences of actions; engage as members and leaders of diverse groups; and exercise ethical decision-making, informed by the Catholic Franciscan tradition, in a variety of settings.

Compassion: Respect all of creation

Honor the worth and dignity of each person; interact respectfully in the local and global community; engage in service to promote the common good; and demonstrate environmental awareness and stewardship.

Communication: Communicate effectively

Express ideas clearly and effectively in spoken and written form; use technology competently; access, evaluate, cite, and credit information using accepted conventions; and demonstrate competency in a language relevant to the major program.



What is the Philosophy of the Neumann University Core Experience?

The Neumann University Core Experience flows directly from the University's mission as a liberal arts institution in the Catholic, Franciscan tradition and lies at the heart (*cor*) of the University itself. The campus community unites to impart the knowledge, skills, competencies and values that create opportunities for students to integrate faith and reason, grow in social responsibility, and prepare for personal and professional leadership roles in the local and global community.



Neumann University Core Experience



What is the Core Curriculum?

The Core, or General Education program, is that part of a liberal education curriculum shared by all students which provides broad exposure to multiple disciplines and forms the basis for developing important technical and civic capacities. The Neumann University Core program also includes the knowledge, competencies, skills, and values which distinguish us as a Catholic university in the Franciscan tradition. Although the Neumann University Core Experience requires certain courses for all students regardless of major, the Core learning outcomes are also promoted in the major program and in activities sponsored by Student Affairs and Mission and Ministry.