

This degree map is designed to serve as a guideline to complete a Bachelor of Arts in 4 years. This degree map is not applicable for the iBA or any of the joint degree programs. It is the student's responsibility to ensure they are registered for the appropriate courses and have all required prerequisites. The [Calendar](#) is the authority on university regulations. This degree map is not a substitute for academic advice. All courses are not offered each semester or even each year. Spring semester course offerings are limited. The information below assumes courses will be offered in the semesters indicated. The HSS course offerings [web page](#) is an important tool for planning courses. Students are also advised to consult with an [Academic Advisor](#). All course prerequisites, as identified in the Calendar, will apply.

A Bachelor of Arts degree requires the successful completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours of course work as outlined in the Calendar. This degree map has been prepared to guide you in your pursuit of a **39-credit hour major** and **24 credit hour minor**. If, the second program you choose requires more than 24 credit hours, you will use electives to make up the additional courses. Again, a BA requires the completion of at least 120 credit hours.

([POSC](#)) Major Requirements:

First Year

Fall		Winter		Total Credits: 30
Courses	Cr Hrs	Courses	Cr Hrs	
1st CRW Course – ENGL 1090 or POSC 1001	3	2nd CRW Course - ENGL 1090 or POSC 1001	3	
1st Language Study Course	3	2nd Language Study Course	3	
1st Quantitative Reasoning Course	3	2nd Quantitative Reasoning Course	3	
Major – POSC 1000	3	Major – POSC 2100	3	
Elective – consider course for breadth of knowledge	3	Elective – consider course for breadth of knowledge	3	
Term Credits	15	Term Credits	15	

Second Year

Fall		Winter		Total Credits: 60
Courses	Cr Hrs	Courses	Cr Hrs	
Major Course – POSC 2300 or 2800	3	Major Course – Any POSC X2XX or X3XX	3	
Major Course – Any POSC X6XX or X8XX	3	Major Course – ANY POSC X2XX or X3XX	3	
Minor Course	3	Minor Course	3	
Elective	3	Elective	3	
Elective	3	Elective	3	
Term Credits	15	Term Credits	15	

After completing 60CH of study, you must request an **official** degree [audit](#). Be sure to provide your name, student number and intended major and second required program (minor or second major).

Third Year

Fall		Winter		Total Credits: 90
Courses	Cr Hrs	Courses	Cr Hrs	
Major Course – POSC 3010	3	Major Course – Any POSC ≥3000-level	3	
Major Course – Any POSC ≥3000-level	3	Major Course – Any POSC ≥3000-level	3	
Major Course – Any level POSC course	3	Minor Course	3	
Minor Course	3	Minor Course	3	
Elective	3	Elective	3	
Term Credits	15	Term Credits	15	

At this point you must request a 2nd degree [audit](#) through the Registrar's office after completing 90CH of study. Be sure to provide your name, student number and intended major and second required program (minor or second major).

Fourth Year

Fall		Winter		Total Credits: 120
Courses	Cr Hrs	Courses	Cr Hrs	
Major Course – 4000-level POSC	3	Major Course – 4000-level POSC	3	
Minor Course	3	Minor Course	3	
Minor Course	3	Elective	3	
Elective	3	Elective	3	
Elective	3	Elective	3	
Term Credits	15	Term Credits	15	

Your map may vary slightly due to your specific programs, transfer credits, course preferences, etc.

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1. **Arts Core Courses** = 18 credit hours or 6 courses

2025/26 Academic Regulations

Course	Grade	Course	Grade	Notes
ENGL 1090				2 Critical Reading & Writing Courses
	Fall		Winter	2 Language Study courses (must be same language)
				2 Quantitative Reasoning Courses

If you are following BA Core Regulations prior to 2025/26 Calendar regulations, please consult with [previous University Calendars](#) or with an academic advisor.

In the case of departmental regulations for a major or minor, a student will normally follow regulations in effect in the academic year in which the student first completes a course in the subject of the major/minor at the 2000-level or above, which may be applied to the major or minor program respectively. However, the student may elect to follow subsequent regulations introduced during the student's tenure in a program.

2. **Major POSC** = 39 credit hours or 13 courses

2025/26 Academic Regulations

Course	Grade	Course	Grade	Notes
POSC 1000		POSC 2100		Students must complete: a. 12 credit hours in POSC 1000, 2100, 2300 or 2800, 3010; b. a minimum of 6 credit hours in POSC courses numbered x2xx and/or x3xx (in addition to POSC 2300 if taken in a.); c. a minimum of 3 credit hours in POSC courses numbered x6xx and/or x8xx (in addition to POSC 2800 if taken in a.); d. 15 credit hours at the 3000 or 4000 level (in addition to POSC 3010), including a minimum of 6 credit hours at the 4000 level; and e. a further 3 credit hours in POSC at any level.
POSC 2300/2800		POSC 3010		
POSC X2XX/X3XX		POSC X2XX/X3XX		
POSC X6XX/X8XX		POSC ≥3XXX		
POSC ≥3XXX		POSC ≥3XXX		
POSC 4XXX		POSC 4XXX		
POSC XXXX				

3. **Minor** = 24 -27 credit hours (depending on program)

Academic Regulations

Course	Grade	Course	Grade	Notes

4. **Electives** = ?? credit hours (depending on second program); for a minimum 120 credit hours for the degree

Course	Grade	Course	Grade	Notes
				Electives may be chosen from offerings in Humanities and Social Sciences, Science, Business and Music (Musicologies or Music Theory and Composition course groupings only). A student may include up to 15 of these credit hours (= 5 courses) in any other subject area, with the exception of courses which are clearly practical or professional as identified in Electives (section 6.1.6, point #3).

NOTE: At least 78 of the 120 required credit hours for a B.A. must be from disciplines within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS). With some limitations, courses offered by the Faculty of Science in Computer Science, Mathematics, Statistics, and Psychology may be applied to this requirement.

Breadth of Knowledge requirement: A student must complete at least one course in a minimum of 6 areas of study in the Humanities and/or Social Sciences (HSS). See the [Calendar](#) for a detailed list of applicable HSS disciplines.

Completed: _____

Any additional courses required to meet a minimum of 120 credit hours

Course	Grade	Course	Grade	Course	Grade