

# GENERAL EDUCATION & VIEWING A WIDER WORLD

## The New Mexico General Education Requirements

General Education at NMSU provides all students with a broad foundation and common framework upon which to develop knowledge and skills, social consciousness and respect for self and others, thus enabling them to function responsibly and effectively now and in the future. General education courses at NMSU can be identified by the G suffix.

In accordance to state law (Post-Secondary Education Articulation Act) (<https://www.srca.nm.gov/parts/title05/05.055.0006.html>), the New Mexico Higher Education Department has established a state-wide model for General Education. Within the General Education model, is nine credits of electives that will be determined at an institutional level. The current approved NMSU General Education courses are listed below under each of the six general education areas.

Prefix	Title	Credits
<b>Area I: Communications</b>		<b>10</b>
Select one course from each sub group:		
<i>English Composition-Level 1</i>		
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	
ENGL 1110H	Composition I Honors	
ENGL 1110M	Composition I Multilingual	
<i>English Composition-Level 2</i>		
ENGL 2130G	Advanced Composition	
ENGL 2210G	Professional and Technical Communication	
ENGL 2210H	Professional and Technical Communication Honors	
ENGL 2210M	Professional and Technical Communication for Multilingual Students	
ENGL 2215G	Advanced Technical and Professional Communication	
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	
<i>Oral Communication</i>		
ACOM 1130G	Effective Leadership and Communication in Agriculture	
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	
COMM 1130G	Public Speaking	
HNRS 2175G	Introduction to Communication Honors	
<b>Area II: Mathematics</b>		<b>3-4</b>
MATH 1130G	Survey of Mathematics	
MATH 1220G	College Algebra	
MATH 1250G	Trigonometry & Pre-Calculus	
MATH 1350G	Introduction to Statistics	
MATH 1430G	Applications of Calculus I	
MATH 1511G	Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	
MATH 1521G	Calculus and Analytic Geometry II	
MATH 1521H	Calculus and Analytic Geometry II Honors	
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II	
MATH 2350G	Statistical Methods	
MATH 2530G	Calculus III	
<b>Area III/IV: Laboratory Sciences and Social/Behavioral Sciences <sup>1</sup></b>		<b>10-11</b>
<i>Area III: Laboratory Sciences</i>		
AGRO 1110G/ HORT 1115G	Introduction to Plant Science (Lecture & Lab)	

ANTH 1135G & ANTH 1135L	Introduction to Biological Anthropology and Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab
ASTR 1115G	Introduction to Astronomy Lecture & Laboratory
ASTR 1120G	The Planets Lecture & Laboratory
BIOL 1120G & BIOL 1120L	Human Biology and Human Biology Laboratory
BIOL 1130G	Introductory Anatomy & Physiology (non-majors)
BIOL 1190G	Contemporary Problems in Biology
BIOL 2110G & BIOL 2110L	Principles of Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology and Principles of Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology Laboratory
BIOL 2610G & BIOL 2610L	Principles of Biology: Biodiversity, Ecology, and Evolution and Principles of Biology: Biodiversity, Ecology, and Evolution Laboratory
CSCI 1115G	Modern Computing in Practice
CHEM 1120G	Introduction to Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory (non majors)
CHEM 1215G	General Chemistry I Lecture and Laboratory for STEM Majors
CHEM 1225G	General Chemistry II Lecture and Laboratory for STEM Majors
ENVS 1110G	Environmental Science I
EPWS 1110G & EPWS 1110L	Applied Biology and Applied Biology Lab
FSTE 2110G	Food Science I
FWCE 1110G	Introduction to Natural Resources Management
GEOG 1110G	Physical Geography
GEOG 1115G	Maps and GIScience
GEOL 1110G	Physical Geology
HNRS 1135G & HNRS 1135L	Introduction to Biological Anthropology and Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab
HNRS 2116G	Earth, Time and Life
HORT 1115G	Introductory Plant Science
PHYS 1115G	Survey of Physics with Lab
PHYS 1125G	Physics of Music
PHYS 1230G & PHYS 1230L	Algebra-Based Physics I and Algebra-Based Physics I Lab
PHYS 1240G & PHYS 1240L	Algebra-Based Physics II and Algebra-Based Physics II Lab
PHYS 1310G & PHYS 1310L	Calculus -Based Physics I and Calculus -Based Physics I Lab
PHYS 1320G & PHYS 1320L	Calculus -Based Physics II and Calculus -Based Physics II Lab
PHYS 2230G & PHYS 2230L	General Physics for Life Science I and Laboratory to General Physics for Life Science I
PHYS 2240G & PHYS 2240L	General Physics for Life Science II and Laboratory to General Physics for Life Science II
<i>Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences</i>	
AEEC 2130G	Survey of Food and Agricultural Issues
ANTH 1115G	Introduction to Anthropology
ANTH 1140G	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 1160G	World Archaeology

ANTH 2140G	Indigenous Peoples of North America
BEST 1110G	Introduction to Borderlands and Ethnic Studies
BEST 2750G	Introduction to Palestine Studies: History, Land, Resistance, and Justice
BUSA 2230G	Human Relations in Business
CEPY 1120G	Human Growth and Behavior
CJUS 1110G	Introduction to Criminal Justice
ECON 1110G	Survey of Economics
ECON 2110G	Macroeconomic Principles
ECON 2120G	Microeconomics Principles
ECON 2120H	Principles of Microeconomics Honors
FSTE 2130G	Survey of Food and Agricultural Issues
GEOG 1120G	World Regional Geography
GEOG 1130G	Human Geography
GEOG 1150G	Introduction to Environmental Studies
GNDR 2110G	Introduction to Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
GNDR 2120G	Representing Women Across Cultures
HNRS 2161G	Window of Humanity
HNRS 2170G	The Human Mind
HNRS 2172G	Archaeology: Search for the Past
HNRS 2180G	Citizen and State Great Political Issues
HRTM 1120G	Introduction to Tourism
JOUR 105G	Media and Society
LING 2110G	Introduction to the Study of Language and Linguistics
PHLS 1110G	Personal Health & Wellness
PHLS 1110H	Personal Health and Wellness Honors
POLS 1110G	Introduction to Political Science
POLS 1120G	American National Government
POLS 1130G	Issues in American Politics
POLS 2120G	International Relations
PSYC 1110G	Introduction to Psychology
SOCI 1110G	Introduction to Sociology
SOCI 2310G	Contemporary Social Problems
SOWK 2110G	Introduction to Human Services & Social Work
<b>Area V: Humanities</b>	<b>3</b>
AFST 1110G	Introduction to Africana Studies
AFST 2110G	African American History
AFST 2140G	Black Women in the African Diaspora
CCST 2110G	Introduction to Chicana and Chicano Studies
ENGL 1410G	Introduction to Literature
ENGL 2520G	Film as Literature
ENGL 2610G	American Literature I
ENGL 2620G	American Literature II
ENGL 2630G	British Literature I
ENGL 2640G	British Literature II
ENGL 2650G	World Literature I
FREN 2120G	French IV
FREN 2135G	Frontiers and Border Crossings in the French-Speaking World
HIST 1110G	United States History I
HIST 1120G	United States History II
HIST 1130G	World History I
HIST 1140G	World History II
HIST 1150G	Western Civilization I
HIST 1160G	Western Civilization II

HIST 1170G	Survey of Early Latin America
HIST 1180G	Survey of Modern Latin America
HIST 2245G	Islamic Civilizations to 1800
HIST 2250G	East Asia to 1600
HIST 2251G	East Asia since 1600
HMRT 2110G	Introduction to Human Rights
HMRT 2175G	Border Justice & Human Rights
HNRS 2117G	The World of the Renaissance: Discovering the Modern
HNRS 2140G	Plato and the Discovery of Philosophy
HNRS 2141G	Bamboo and Silk: The Fabric of Chinese Literature
HNRS 2145G	Celtic Literature
HNRS 2160G	New Testament as Literature
HNRS 2165G	Introduction to Humanities in the 21st Century
HNRS 2190G	Claiming a Multiracial Past
NATV 1150G	Introduction to Native American Studies
PHIL 1115G	Introduction to Philosophy
PHIL 1120G	Logic, Reasoning, & Critical Thinking
PHIL 1140G	Philosophy and World Religions
PHIL 1145G	Philosophy, Law, and Ethics
PHIL 2110G	Introduction to Ethics
PHIL 2230G	Philosophical Thought

**Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts** **3**

ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art
ARTH 2110G	History of Art I
ARTH 2120G	History of Art II
ARTS 1145G	Visual Concepts
DANC 1110G	Dance Appreciation
ENGL 2310G	Introduction to Creative Writing
HNRS 2114G	Music in Time and Space
HNRS 2115G	Encounters with Art
HNRS 2130G	Shakespeare on Film
HNRS 2178G	Theatre: Beginnings to Broadway
MUSC 1110G	Music Appreciation: Jazz
MUSC 1130G	Music Appreciation: Western Music
THEA 1110G	Introduction to Theatre
THEA 1210G	Acting for Non-Majors

**General Education Elective** **3-4**

This requirement can be met with any "G" course in any area, excluding Area I: Communications and any crosslisted courses, that exceeds the minimum requirement.

or

ENGR 100G Introduction to Engineering  
or ENGR 100GH Introduction to Engineering Honors

**Total Credits** **32-35**

<sup>1</sup> For Area III: Laboratory Sciences and Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences, students **must** take one course from each for a total of 7 credits. Students will then take an additional course in either Area III or Area IV for 3-4 credits depending on the student's selection (i.e. Area III is 4 credits, Area IV is 3 credits).

**Alternatives for Meeting General Education Requirements (9 credit hour rule)**

Students taking nine or more credits in a specific subject area, even though the courses are not designated as General Education courses,

will have met the general education requirements for that subject area. The courses can meet both major and general education requirements for the degree. For example, a student may complete ARTS 2610 Drawing II, ARTS 1240 Design I and ARTS 1250 Design II (9 hours) and thereby satisfy one course from the Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts category even though none of those courses carries a G suffix. Please check with the Center for Academic Advising and Student Support.

## NMSU Viewing a Wider World Requirements

The Viewing a Wider World (VWW) requirement fosters intelligent inquiry, abstract logical thinking, critical analysis, as well as the integration and synthesis of knowledge. The program strives for literacy in writing, reading, speaking and listening. It teaches mathematical structures, acquainting students with precise abstract thought about numbers and space. The program also encourages an understanding of science and scientific inquiry, as it provides a historical consciousness, including an understanding of one's own heritage as well as respect for other peoples and cultures. To achieve its goals, the program includes an examination of values and stresses the importance of a carefully considered values system as it fosters an appreciation of the arts and general education. It provides the breadth necessary to have a familiarity with the various branches of human understanding. All VWW courses can be identified by the "V" suffix.

Prior to graduating, NMSU students are required to take two courses from separate colleges from the Viewing a Wider World list in the Catalog. These courses are upper-division (300/300-400/4000 level) Viewing a Wider World courses and should be taken in a student's junior and/or senior year. One of the two courses must be in a college other than their own. The other course may be taken within their home college, but this course:

1. must be in a different department from their major department;
2. must not be cross-listed with a course in their home department;
3. cannot be counted as one of the requirements for the student's major.

These courses strongly emphasize the international character and multicultural influences in the fields of study and strengthen information retrieval skills. There are two options that NMSU allows for replacing 3 credits of VWW requirement with another form of educational experience, these are:

1. **Study Abroad Experience**- consisting of at least four weeks of a Study Abroad program or university coursework in a foreign country earning 3 credits.
2. **Military Experience**- for students who have served at least four weeks of military service in a foreign country.

The Military and Veterans Programs Office website (<https://mvp.nmsu.edu/military-members/military-experience-waiver.html>) provides the instructions on how to request the waiver for Military Experience replacing 3 credits of VWW.

*NOTE: This list is under continuous revision. Please check with the office of the college associate dean or with college advisors for additional eligible courses. Honors courses have a specific college designation based on course content. These are listed near the end of this section.*

## College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences

Prefix	Title	Credits
ACOM 3160V	Communicating Agriculture & Science to the Public	3
AEEC 3110V	World Agriculture and Food Problems	3
AEEC 3120V	Natural Resource Economics	3
AEEC 3130V	Water Resource Economics	3
AEEC 3140V	Agricultural Policy	3
AGRO 303V	Genetics and Society	3
ANSC 312V	Companion Animals and the Human- Animal Interaction	3
ANSC 351V	Agricultural Animals of the World	3
AXED 3210V	John Muir. Lessons in Sustainability	3
CTFM 366V	Historic Fashion and Society	3
EPWS 325V	Insects, Humans, and the Environment	3
EPWS 380V	Science & Society	3
FCST 3110V	Introduction to Child Advocacy	3
FCST 3120V	Family Ethnicities and Subcultures	3
GENE 303V	Genetics and Society	3
HNRS 321V	Agriculture in an Interconnected World	3
HORT 302V	Forestry and Society	3
HORT 318V	Urban Water Issues and Society	3
HRTM 4240V	Sustainability in the Hospitality Industry	3
RGSC 302V	Forestry and Society	3

## College of Arts and Sciences

Prefix	Title	Credits
ANTH 305V	Contemporary Native Americans	3
ANTH 306V	Peoples of Latin America	3
ANTH 313V	Ancient Mexico	3
ANTH 330V	Magic Witchcraft and Religion	3
ANTH 357V	Medical Anthropology	3
ANTH 360V	Food and Culture Around the World	3
ANTH 362V	Environmental Anthropology	3
ANTH 431V	Nutritional Anthropology	3
ANTH 433V	Sex, Gender and Culture	3
ASTR 301V	Revolutionary Ideas in Astronomy	3
ASTR 305V	The Search for Life in the Universe	3
ASTR 308V	Into the Final Frontier	3
ASTR 330V	Planetary Exploration	3
BEST 480V	Narratives and Representations of Palestinians: Media, Music, Film, and Art	3
CJUS 440V	Comparative Criminal Justice Systems	3
CJUS 4750V	International Criminal Law, War Crimes, Genocide, & Crimes Against Humanity	3
ENGL 327V	Shakespeare around the Globe	3
ENGL 328V	Literature of Science Fiction and Fantasy	3
ENGL 339V	Chicana/o Literature	3
ENGL 380V	Women Writers	3
ENGL 392V	Mythology	3
ENGL 394V	Southwestern Literature	3
FREN 365V	Perspectives in French Culture	3
GEOG 315V	World Agriculture and Food Problems	3
GEOG 325V	New Mexico and the American West	3
GEOG 328V	Environment and Society of Latin America	3
GEOG 331V	Environment and Society of Europe	3

GEOG 361V	Challenges and Opportunities of Globalization	3
GEOG 363V	Culture, Nature, and the Environment	3
GEOG 365V	The City	3
GEOL 305V	Fossils and the Evolution of Life	3
GEOL 335V	Earthquakes, Volcanoes, Hurricanes, and Floods: The Role of Natural Hazards in Civ Past and Present	3
GNDR 380V	Women Writers	3
GNDR 381V	Women's Health Issues	3
GNDR 433V	Sex, Gender and Culture	3
GRMN 326V	Transnational German Film	3
HIST 302V	Science in Modern Society	3
HIST 308V	The History of Food	3
HIST 321V	History of Korea	3
HIST 366V	British Imperialism	3
HIST 379V	The History of Italy from the Etruscans to the Mafia	3
HIST 382V	Modern Russia	3
HIST 390V	The Holocaust	3
HMRT 4550V	Skills & Ethics for Human Rights Work	3
HMRT 4580V	International Environmental Law and Justice	3
HMRT 4720V	Space Law & Human Rights	3
JOUR 350V	Media History	3
JOUR 377V	Mass Media Ethics	3
JOUR 460V	Sports & Entertainment P.R.	3
LING 302V	Language and Society	3
MATH 4110V	Great Theorems in Mathematics	3
PHYS 303V	Energy and Society in the New Millennium	3
PHYS 305V	The Search for Water in the Solar System	3
POLS 351V	Conspiracy Theories in American Politics	3
POLS 380V	Political Ideologies	3
PORT 364V	Brazilian Culture Through Popular Music	3
SPAN 364V	Culture and Civilization of Mexico	3
SPAN 365V	Culture and Civilization of Spanish America	3
THEA 307V	Society in Style: Fashion, History and Culture	3

## College of Business

Prefix	Title	Credits
BFIN 303V	Personal Financial Planning and Investing in a Global Economy	3
BLAW 385V	Employment and Consumer Law	3
ECON 324V	Developing Nations	3
ECON 325V	Economic Development of Latin America	3
ECON 335V	Business and Government	3
ECON 337V	Natural Resource Economics	3
ECON 384V	Water Resource Economics	3
MGMT 310V	Entrepreneurial Mindset	3
MGMT 335V	Business and Government	3
MGMT 345V	Quality and Competitiveness: An International Perspective	3
MGMT 388V	Leadership and Ethics	3
MKTG 311V	Consumer Behavior	3

## College of Engineering

Prefix	Title	Credits
C E 355V	Technology and the Global Environment	3
CHME 370V	Discovery and Use of Radioactive Materials	3
CHME 395V	Brewing Science and Society	3

ET 309V	Manufacturing: History and Technology	3
ET 360V	Technology in Business and Society	3
ICT 350V	Introduction to Personal Computer Security and Privacy	3

## College of Health, Education and Social Transformation

Prefix	Title	Credits
AFST 4110V	Race, Culture, and Education	3
BEST 4660V	Social Movements: Borderlands and Beyond	3
CCST 3120V	Chicana/o Genders and Sexualities	3
CEPY 3210V	Human Relations Training	3
CEPY 4110V	Introduction to Counseling	3
DANC 3510V	World Dance	3
EDUC 3110V	Multicultural Issues in Society	3
ELAD 3110V	Introduction to Educational Leadership in a Global Society	3
NATV 4120V	Native American Visual Culture	3
NATV 4210V	Native American Education	3
PHLS 3110V	Human Sexuality	3
PHLS 3120V	Women's Health Issues	3
PHLS 3130V	Global Environmental Health Issues	3
PHLS 4620V	Cross-Cultural Aspects of Health	3
SOCI 3110V	Sociology of Religion	3
SOCI 3120V	Introduction to Population Studies	3
SOCI 3245V	Comparative Family Systems	3
SOCI 3310V	Social Issues in the Rural Americas	3
SOCI 3340V	Social Change	3
SOCI 3610V	Sociology of Pop Culture	3
SOCI 3620V	Sports and Society: A Global Perspective	3
SOCI 3635V	Food and Society	3
SOCI 4240V	Comparative Global Family Systems	3
SOCI 4335V	Advanced Environmental Sociology	3
SOWK 3140V	Introduction to Social Policy: History	3
SPHS 3110V	Autism Spectrum Disorders - a Lifespan Perspective	3
SPMD 3650V	Motor Development	3

## University Library

Prefix	Title	Credits
LIBR 311V	Information Literacy	3

## Honors College - Viewing a Wider World

Prefix	Title	Credits
HNRS 3115V	Service Learning through Civic Engagement	3

## College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences

Prefix	Title	Credits
HNRS 321V	Agriculture in an Interconnected World	3
HNRS 325V	Insects, Humans, and the Environment	3

## College of Arts and Sciences

Prefix	Title	Credits
HNRS 304V	Dilemmas of War and Peace	3
HNRS 305V	Is Fake News Real: Journalism, Community, and Mass Communications	3
HNRS 306V	Science, Ethics and Society	3

HNRS 308V	Into the Final Frontier	3
HNRS 317V	Cultural Lessons on Nazism	3
HNRS 318V	The World of Cinema	3
HNRS 324V	Science and the Arts: Theatre and Story	3
HNRS 326V	Art and Mythology	3
HNRS 328V	Rock History: 20th Century Popular Music	3
HNRS 341V	The Old Testament as Literature	3
HNRS 348V	Comparative Mythology: Myth, Ritual, and the Life Cycle	3
HNRS 370V	Design: The Creative Act	3
HNRS 374V	The European City: History and Culture	3
HNRS 390V	Worlds of Buddhism	3
HNRS 394V	Southwestern and Border Literature	3
HNRS 411V	Great Theorems in Mathematics	3
HNRS 450V	The Sundt Honors Seminar	3

## College of Business

Prefix	Title	Credits
HNRS 303 V	Personal Financial Planning and Investing in a Global Economy	3
HNRS 335V	Legal Issues in Modern Society	3
HNRS 381 V	Economic Development of Latin America	3
HNRS 388V	Leadership and Society	3

## College of Engineering

Prefix	Title	Credits
HNRS 378V	Technology and Policy	3

## College of Health, Education and Social Transformation

Prefix	Title	Credits
HNRS 3110V	Human Sexuality	3
HNRS 336V	Testimonios from the Borderlands	3
HNRS 347V	World Dance	3
HNRS 353V	Justice without Prejudice	3
HNRS 387V	Comparative Perspectives on Women	3

## Alternatives for Meeting Viewing a Wider World Requirements

Students taking nine or more credits in a specific subject area, even though the courses are not designated as Viewing a Wider World courses, will have met the VWW requirements for that subject area.

The 9 credit hours must be in 300 to 400 or 3000 to 4000 level courses in one prefix area. For example, 9 upper-division ECON credits would fulfill one VWW area for students majoring in programs other than Economics.