

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Definition of Academic Terms

Degrees

Union University offers 11 undergraduate degrees—Associate of Christian Studies, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology, Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, and the Bachelor of Social Work—and 14 graduate degrees—the Master of Education, the Master of Arts in Education, the Master of Urban Education, the Master of Business Administration, the Master of Accountancy, the Master of Christian Studies, the Master of Science in Nursing, Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies, the Educational Specialist, the Master of Social Work, the Doctor of Education, the Doctor of Ministry, the Doctor of Nursing Practice, and the Doctor of Pharmacy. Graduate Studies are described in the Graduate Catalogue.

A student may have two baccalaureate degrees conferred when the requirements of both have been met, provided the student has a minimum of 30 resident hours to offer, over and above that required for the first degree. A new major including a minimum of 15 upper-level hours in the major taken at Union and any prerequisites to the major must be completed for the second degree.

Upon completion of degree requirements, the student is awarded the appropriate diploma for his/her degree.

Credit Hour

The unit for counting credit is the semester hour. A semester hour is defined as an hour of class work a week, or its equivalent in laboratory, pursued for one semester.

Full-Time Student

To be classified as a full-time student during a semester, a student must carry a minimum credit hour load of 12 semester hours; for full-time status in the Winter Term or each of the Summer Terms, a student must carry a minimum of three hours.

Grades and Quality Points

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Union University's academic advisement program is based upon the supposition that any degree-seeking student accepted for enrollment is a responsible adult seeking a liberal arts education. Advisors will inform advisees of the academic requirements and attempt to guide them through the program of study toward their chosen major; however, they may not assume the responsibility for the student.

Student Classification

- FRESHMAN** A student who has met entrance requirements and who is carrying at least 12 semester hours.
- SOPHOMORE** A student who has at least 24 hours of college credit.
- JUNIOR** A student who has at least 56 hours of college credit.
- SENIOR** A student who has at least 86 hours of college credit.

Size of Classes

Union University is committed to providing class sizes that facilitate an excellent professor to student ratio. Yet the University reserves the right to cancel a scheduled class if there is not sufficient support from student enrollment.

Description and Numbering of Courses

A brief description for each course is found within the respective section of the *Catalogue*. A Prerequisite to a course may be cited as another course or condition that must be met

Graduate Programs in Business, Christian Studies, Education, International Studies, Nursing, Pharmacy and Social Work are detailed in the *Graduate Catalogue*.

Department	Majors	Degrees	Emphases and Concentrations	Minors
A.	Studio Art	BFA	Drawing Painting Ceramics Graphic Design Sculpture Photography Visual Aesthetics	Art Visual Aesthetics Digital Media Studies
	Art* ##			

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Graduation Requirements

Students may graduate under the course requirements specified in the *Catalogue* of the year of their admission or those at the time of their application for graduation. If five years have elapsed since a student's latest enrollment in Union University, he/she may graduate either under the course requirements of the *Catalogue* of his/her re-admission or those in force at the time of his/her application for graduation. Teacher Licensure requirements may alter graduation requirements as stated in the *Catalogue* for students seeking licensure.

Components of Graduation Requirements

Each bachelor's degree awarded by Union University

Summary of Minimum Requirements for Graduation

These are overall minimums; individual programs may require a higher level of performance. Such programs are noted in their appropriate departmental section. This summary does not intend to be all inclusive nor should it imply entitlement. Greater detail is provided on each topic on the following pages.

Semester hours required for bachelor's degree	128
of which, must be earned at Union University	25%*
of which, must be earned on the junior/senior level	69
one major, to include junior/senior hours**	15*
one minor, to include junior/senior hours**	6*
Grade Point Average: cumulative	2.000
Cumulative each major	2.000
Cumulative each minor	2.000

*Total credit hours to be earned at Union University to meet residency requirements.

**A second major may be earned in lieu of a minor. All major requirements are in effect for each major sought; all minor requirements are in effect for each minor sought.

Summary of Maximum Requirements for Graduation

Total semester hours applicable to graduation as earned by: credit by exam, ACE, Seminary Extension, and Correspondence	32
of which, correspondence may not exceed	8
From non-baccalaureate colleges	72
By Independent Study	9
By Special Study	12
By Internship	9
By Cooperative Education	9
By Study Abroad	21

Minimum Residence

For each undergraduate degree granted by Union University, at least 25% of the hours required must be earned through instruction by Union University. The last 12 hours must be earned at Union University except in pre-professional programs. Any deviation from this policy must be authorized in writing by the Registrar.

Credit from a college not awarding the baccalaureate degree, a community college, sought in transfer after the student has earned >69 hours must be approved in advance, in writing by the Registrar. See also "Minimum Residence" below and "Concurrent Enrollment" above.

Credit by Testing Deadlines

Advanced Placement of the College Board and International Baccalaureate examinations can only be taken within the secondary school setting at the time of the advanced coursework.

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General Core Requirements for All Bachelor Degrees
<p>Christian Studies, 6 hours CHR 111 and 112. Old and New Testament Survey</p>
<p>Composition, 6 hours ENG 111 and 112. Written Composition I and II *Honors students may substitute HON 205 and 215 for ENG 111 and 112.</p>
<p>Fine Arts, 3 hours ART 210. The Arts In Western Civilization (3) *Students pursuing the B.A./B.S. Music or B.M. Degree substitute MUS 220 for ART 210. *Honors students may substitute HON 215 for ART 210.</p>
<p>History*, 6 hours HIS 101 and 102, World Civilization to/from 18th Century *Students seeking elementary teacher licensure must substitute HIS 211 and HIS 212. *Honors students may substitute HON 225 for HIS 102.</p>
<p>Laboratory Science, 8 hours, One course from each group: Group A: CHE 105 (4), CHE 111 (4), PHY 111 (4), PHY 213 (4), or PHY 231 (5) Group B: BIO 112 (4), BIO 100 (4), BIO 110 (4), or BIO 221 (4) *Honors students may substitute HON 235 for one of the science courses.</p>
<p>Literature, 6 hours, One of the sequences below: Sequence A: ENG 201, 202. Survey of World Literature (6); Sequence B: FRE 311, 312, 317. Survey of French Literature (6), select any two; Sequence C: SPA 311, 312, 316, 317. Survey of Spanish Literature (6), select any two.</p>

Mathematics, 3 hours Any mathematics course MAT 101 or higher. See your advisor for mathematics requirements or options for your major.
Oral Communication,** 3 hours, One of COM 112 or 235. **School of Nursing and Bachelor of Social Work students meet this requirement by successfully completing their prescribed major courses.
Physical Education, 2 hours PEWS 100. Fitness for Health (1) And one physical activity elective course (such as Golf or Volleyball). PEWS 103 is required for the nonswimmer as determined by standards administered in PEWS 100.
Social Science and Humanities Options, 3 hours, One of the following: ECO 211 (3), ECO 212 (3), HON 225 (6), PHL 240 (3), PSC 211 (3), PSY 213 (3), or SOC 211 (3)
TOTAL GENERAL CORE HOURS, 46 hours Confer with your faculty advisor for limitations of options required in some programs of study.
In addition to the above requirements, each major will address Christian thought and action issues in a capstone experience.

Specific Core Requirements For A Bachelor Of Arts Degree (18 hours minimum) (In Addition to the General Core Requirements)
<p>O. O. Complete Group A plus at least one 3-hour course from Group B and at least one 3-hour course from Group C1.</p> <p>A. Foreign Language (12 hours): One language for 2 years or two languages for 1 year each; 111 or higher, B. Fine, Performing Arts, and Communication Arts: Courses selected from Art, Music or Communication Arts. C. Humanities: Courses selected from Christian Studies, English, History, Honors, Intercultural Studies, Languages or Philosophy.</p> <p>CSC 105 may fulfill 3 hours from either Part B or Part C.</p>
<p>O. T. Complete Group A plus at least one 3-hour course from Group B and at least one 3-hour course from Group C1.</p> <p>A. Foreign Language (6 hours): One language, 111 or higher, for 1 year. B. Fine, Performing Arts, and Communication Arts: Courses selected from Art, Music, or Communication Arts. C. Humanities: Courses selected from the following areas: Christian Studies, English, History, Honors, Intercultural Studies, Languages or Philosophy.</p> <p>CSC 105 may fulfill 3 hours from either Part B or Part C.</p>

Specific Core Requirements for a Bachelor of Science Degree (18 hours minimum) (In Addition to the General Core Requirements)
<p>O. O. A minimum of 2 courses from 2 Groups and 1 course from the 3rd Group</p> <p>A. Mathematics 111 or higher; and/or Computer Science B. Natural Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) C. Social Science (Economics, Finance, Geography, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology)</p> <p>Due to common content CSC 105 and CSC 115 may apply to A but not both.</p>
<p>O. T. A minimum of 8 hours in 2 of the 3 Groups (Mathematics, Natural Science and Social Science as shown immediately above)</p> <p>Due to common content CSC 105 and CSC 115 may apply to Mathematics but not both.</p>

Specific Core Requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (In Addition to the General Core Requirements, 36 hours)*						
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Correspondence, Seminary Extension (SE) and Credit by Exam

A maximum of 32 semester hours toward graduation by ACE-approved Seminary Extension, correspondence (8 hours maximum) or credit by examination may be accepted. Students may not enroll for SE or correspondence credit without approval in writing by the Registrar prior to registration for the course and the department chair or dean.

Credit-by-exam attempts can be made no later than official report may be received during the student's next to last full semester (Fall, Spring) preceding graduation, or if in the Teacher Education Program the next to last semester preceding Student Teaching. May and Summer graduation applicants must complete all testing attempts before the end of the previous Fall Semester. December and January applicants for graduation must complete all testing attempts before the end of the previous Spring Semester.

Any variance must be approved in advance by the Registrar in writing.

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year. In the event a student has not filed a Graduation Audit by the time he/she has filed an application for graduation, he/she will be given until December 1 for Spring/Summer graduation and until May 1 for Fall/Winter graduation. If the student has not filed a Graduation Audit by that date, his/her name will be removed from the graduation list, and the student notified.

Faculty Approval

All candidates for graduation must be approved by the faculty. All conditions—transfer credit, incomplete grades, and chapel attendance deficiencies—should be removed by the opening of the last semester.

Final Examinations

Comprehensive final examinations are required of all students in all courses where content is appropriate. The final examination time is listed with the University calendar.

A student with three or more finals on one day may request one of his/her professors to reschedule one examination, to another time during finals week, provided the request precedes the last week of class. If the student and the professor cannot resolve the scheduling problem, the student should take his/her request to the Registrar.

Health Professions: Pre-Professional and Professional Curricula/Liberal Arts-Professional Degrees

Pre-professional programs providing the background to apply for entrance into the health professions programs listed below are available through Union University.

Chiropractry
Cytotechnology
Dental Hygiene
Dentistry
Health Information Management
Medicine
Occupational Therapy
Optometry

and cultivating relationships with high-quality, ethically-grounded programs around the world that provide optimal experiences for students. This ensures that we support domestic and international programs that have high academic standards, provide opportunities for students to engage with people from the host institution and the surrounding community, offer a safe living environment, and have an adequate support system for the student. The Center for Intercultural Engagement adheres to the Standards of Good Practice for Education Abroad put forth by the Forum on Education Abroad.

Continuing Education

Union University has a Continuing Education Program for those who wish to enhance personal or professional knowledge but not necessarily a degree. Courses offered will be determined by the groups desiring the courses and the instructors. These courses are offered only when there is a sufficient demand. See the Department of Continuing Studies for more details.

Student Academic Services

Believing that the success of each student is of vital interest, not only to the student and his/her family, but also to the University, Union University offers a variety of academic services to students. These include but are not limited to the following: tutorial assistance, retention counseling, academic advisement, study skills workshops, and probation-suspension intervention. Services are provided through a team approach to help clarify the student's needs and goals relative to academic fulfillment.

Affiliations With Other Agencies and Institutions

Consortium for Global Education (CGE)

The Consortium for Global Education is an association of nearly 50 private U.S. colleges and universities committed to the development of international education. See the Institute for International and Intercultural Studies for more details.

Mid-Continent Consortium

The Mid-Continent Consortium is an association of regional institutions that collaborate to develop international study programs. The consortium currently works with programs in Canada, France, Spain, Mexico and Germany.

College Articulation Agreements

Union University has articulation agreements (transfer guidelines) with several colleges including Jackson State Community College and Dyersburg State Community College. The agreements determine which credit courses will transfer as equivalent courses at Union University and which will receive elective credits.

Cross-Campus Agreement

The consortium agreement of Freed-Hardeman University, University of Memphis Lambuth, and Union University

allows a student enrolled at one of these universities to take an undergraduate course at either of them. The student obtains permission to do so, pays tuition, and receives credit at his/her "home college" where he/she is a degree-seeking registrant; the term "host college" is used for the institution attended for limited purposes in order to further his program in his home college.

Students may seek enrollment in a host school for the following reasons:

1. Course scheduling difficulties, or
 2. Special programs are available at only one institution.
- Additional information is available in the Academic Center.

Logos Library Agreements and Partnerships

The Library participates in several formal agreements and partnerships with other libraries and library organizations to extend its service base. These local, state, and regional cooperative library programs greatly enhance student and faculty access to materials and facilitate the sharing of resources. These agreements include the West Tennessee Academic Library Consortium, Tenn-Share, Lyrasis, the Association of Christian Librarians, the Christian Library Consortium, and Waldo. The library is an active participant in the nationwide OCLC and DOCLINE interlibrary loan systems and Tennessee's statewide courier, Firefly. These agreements and partnerships afford cooperative ventures with colleagues, their institutional resources and further enhance the library services and resource collections offered to the Union University community.

Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies

Union is affiliated with Au Sable Institute of Environmental Studies. Au Sable Institute's mission is to inspire and educate people to serve, protect, and restore God's earth. Several field based courses in the environmental sciences are available (see