



BGS in GENERAL STUDIES: American Studies Emphasis (570137) MAP Sheet

Bachelor of General Studies Office

For students entering the degree program during the 2016–2017 curricular year.

UNIVERSITY CORE AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS				PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (33 total hours)	
UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All emphasis courses taken after admission to BGS must be BYU courses. Enroll in and complete a minimum of 10 hours in the emphasis after formal admission to the BGS program. Thirty of the 120 hours including 15 hours in the emphasis must be 300- or 400-level courses. Students must earn a minimum 2.0 BYU grade point average, a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average, and a minimum 2.0 emphasis grade point average. The program must be completed in eight years or less. <p>Complete the following prerequisite course:</p> <p>StDev 100 Essential College Skills 1.0 (must be completed before taking any other courses, includes preparing academic plan which must be approved before proceeding)</p> <p>Complete the following core courses:</p> <p>Econ 110* Economic Principles & Problems 3.0 Hist 220* The United States Through 1877 3.0 Hist 221 The United States Since 1877 3.0 Poli 110 American Government & Politics 3.0</p> <p>BYU undergraduate campus courses (including Salt Lake Center classes) from the approved American Studies list may also be used to fill emphasis electives.</p> <p>Complete the following capstone course:</p> <p>StDev 490 BGS Capstone 2.0 (last course to be completed)</p>	
<u>Requirements</u>	<u># Classes</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Classes</u>		
Religion Cornerstones					
Teachings and Doctrine, Book of Mormon	1	2.0	Rel A 275		
Jesus Christ & the Everlasting Gospel	1	2.0	Rel A 250		
Foundations of the Restoration	1	2.0	Rel C 225		
The Eternal Family	1	2.0	Rel C 200		
The Individual and Society					
Citizenship					
American Heritage	2	6.0	Econ 110* + Hist 220*		
Global & Cultural Awareness	1	3.0	from approved list		
Skills					
Effective Communication					
First-Year Writing	1	3.0	from approved list		
Adv Written & Oral Communication	1	3.0	Engl 312 or 315 recom.		
Quantitative Reasoning	0–1	0–3.0	from approved list		
Languages of Learning (Math or Language)	1–4	3–20.0	from approved lists		
Arts, Letters, and Sciences					
Civilization 1 and 2					
Civilization 1 and 2	2	6.0	from approved list		
Arts	1	3.0	from approved list		
Letters	1	3.0	from approved list		
Scientific Principles & Reasoning					
Biological Science	1–2	3–5.0	from approved list		
Physical Science	1–2	3–7.0	from approved list		
Social Science	1	3.0	Econ 110*		
Core Enrichment: Electives					
Religion Electives					
Religion Electives	3–4	6.0	from approved list		
Open Electives					
Open Electives	Variable	Variable	personal choice		
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:					
Minimum residence hours required		30.0			
Minimum hours needed to graduate		120.0			

*THESE CLASSES FILL BOTH UNIVERSITY CORE AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (9 hours overlap)

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THE DEGREE:

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) degree offers former BYU students who are no longer able to attend BYU an opportunity to complete their bachelor's degrees from home. Applicants must have already completed 30 credit hours at the BYU campus in Provo as an admitted day student and must abide by the BYU Code of Honor and receive an annual ecclesiastical endorsement. This program is not available to current BYU students.

The Bachelor of General Studies degree is designed to help former BYU students utilize as much as possible of their previously earned credit. It uses the same BYU curriculum offered on campus and requires the same general education, religious education, and campus residency as on-campus degrees. However, up to 90 of the required 120 credit hours can be earned through Independent Study. The major is general studies, with an emphasis in one of seven areas of study. The emphasis adds a measure of specialization. Students may earn only one emphasis and do not have the option of creating custom-made areas of study. However, within the number of general electives available, students can utilize credit previously earned in a former major or choose to take courses in a particular concentration.

COURSE AVAILABILITY:

Courses listed are generally available through BYU Independent Study, however, due to ongoing course development, some classes may be currently unavailable. If students need a course before it is available, they should work with BGS advisors to select another class.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants complete the admissions procedure through the Bachelor of General Studies Office and pay a fee of \$35. Admission to the BGS program is open to former BYU students who meet all of the following criteria.

- Have completed a minimum of 30 semester hours of BYU on-campus credit in Provo as an admitted day student (exam credit excluded).
- Have not completed any courses as a BYU day-continuing student in the last two years or have completed a minimum of 90 credits (exam credits excluded).
- Never completed a bachelor's or higher degree.
- In good standing (academic, financial, etc.) at all universities attended.
- Have a 2.0 or higher BYU and cumulative GPA. (If any academic disciplinary action—warning, probation, or suspension—has been taken against you, contact the BGS Office before proceeding with the application process.)
- Will abide by the BYU Code of Honor and receive an annual ecclesiastical endorsement.
- Have been approved by the BGS admissions committee.
- Have successfully completed the Student Development 100 course (1-credit Independent Study course **taken after provisional acceptance into program**).

Note: BGS students who discontinue or who have previously discontinued the program for any reason and apply for readmission must meet all admission and graduation requirements in place at the time of reapplication. Regulations, policies, fees, curricula, courses, and other requirements are subject to change at any time.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

The requirements for the university core and for individual emphases are found on the MAP on the reverse side of this sheet. Additional instructions regarding credits necessary for graduation are as follows:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

Religious education hours are a requirement at BYU, but the actual number of hours varies for students with transfer credit. Contact the BGS Office for details regarding individual circumstances. No more than 18 total hours of religion may be counted toward the BGS degree.

ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS:

Completing the university core and emphasis requirements *will not* necessarily provide sufficient credits for students to meet the overall BYU minimum credit hours needed for graduation. Students should be aware of the number of elective hours needed (preferably from the upper division level) in order for them to graduate.

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