CORE CURRICULUM
The University Core Curriculum consists of a minimum of 33 credits, selected from the following eight areas of study:

1. English – ENG 102
2. Mathematics – MATH 181 (for all COS programs with exception of BA Geography)
3. Natural sciences
4. Social sciences
5. Fine arts
6. Core Humanities – CH 201, CH 202, and CH 203
7. Capstone courses
8. Diversity

Students are responsible for keeping track of their progress through the Core Curriculum. It is strongly recommended that students complete lower division Core Curriculum requirements by the beginning of their junior year. Requests for substitutions, waivers and exceptions must be made before the senior year. It is also strongly recommended that students meet with their academic advisor each semester before registering for classes. Classes completed at the university or at any NSHE institution to satisfy Core Curriculum requirements must be taken for a letter grade.

Students who change their major must choose the catalog of the year of the latest change of major or the year of graduation. The university Core Curriculum requirements, however, are established at the time of the student's admission and enrollment in a regular degree-seeking program at the University of Nevada, Reno.

HOW TO SEARCH COURSES FOR CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS USING MYNEVADA’S ON-LINE CLASS SEARCH

1. Select the Year and Term for the search
2. Click on “Additional Search Criteria”
3. At the bottom of the page, click on the magnifying glass next to “Course Attribute”
4. Click “Core”
5. Click on the 2nd magnifying glass that appears next to “is equal to”
6. Select the Core Curriculum requirement you are searching for eligible courses being offered for that term/year
7. Click the green “Search” button
ENGLISH PLACEMENT
Your initial placement for English is based on the highest standardized test score the university has on file for you.

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<td>ENG 098</td>
<td>17 or less</td>
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<td>ENG 102</td>
<td>30 or higher</td>
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Alternate placement options:
If your SAT and/or ACT test score does not accurately reflect your abilities in math, consider alternate placement options (essay portfolio or timed placement essay) offered through the Core Writing Program. Visit www.unr.edu/cla/engl/cwp for more information.

MATH PLACEMENT
Your initial placement for Math is based on the highest standardized test score the university has on file for you.

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<td>MATH 096</td>
<td>17 to 21</td>
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<td>22 or above</td>
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<td>MATH 127R or 128 or 131 or STAT 152</td>
<td>27 or above</td>
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<td>MATH 181</td>
<td>28 or above</td>
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*only applicable to BA Geography students

Alternate placement options:
If your SAT and/or ACT test score does not accurately reflect your abilities in math, consider taking the Accuplacer math placement test. Visit http://www.unr.edu/mathcenter/accuplacer.html for more information.
NATURAL SCIENCES (6 credits)

Students should review the Core Natural Sciences section in the program description for their major before selecting courses from the lists below. Students should consult with college or program advisors before enrolling in Core courses. **At least one course must be taken from Group A. The second course may be taken from either Group A or Group B.** All core natural science courses include significant mathematical content. Students should complete the previously listed mathematics requirement (or have a mathematics placement score qualifying them for calculus) before they take core courses in natural sciences. Another option is to be concurrently enrolled in MATH 127 or higher, as well as in any core natural science course. Individual exceptions to this rule may be made at the discretion of the instructor. All natural science courses taken for core curriculum credit must include appropriate laboratory experiences.

**Group A**
- **ATMS 121**--Climate Change and Its Environmental Impacts (4 credits)
- **BIOL 100**--Biology: Principles and Applications (3 credits)
- **BIOL 125**--How Science Works: Case Studies (3 credits)
- **BIOL 191**--Introduction to Organismal Biology I AND
- **BIOL 192**--Principles of Biological Investigation (5 credits)
  **NOTE:** **BIOL 190** is a prerequisite for **BIOL 191** and **BIOL 192**.
- **CHEM 100**--Molecules and Life in the Modern World (3 credits)
- **CHEM 121A**--General Chemistry I (3 credits) **AND**
- **CHEM 121L**--General Chemistry Laboratory (1 credit)
- **CHEM 122A**--General Chemistry II (3 credits) **AND**
- **CHEM 122L**--General Chemistry Laboratory II (1 credit)
- **CHEM 201**--General Chemistry for Scientists and Engineers I (4 credits)
- **CHEM 202**--General Chemistry for Scientists and Engineers II (4 credits)
- **GEOG 121**--Climate Change and Its Environmental Impacts (4 credits)
- **GEOL 100**--Earthquakes, Volcanoes and Natural Disasters** (3 credits)
- **GEOL 101**--General Geology with Lab (4 credits)
- **PHYS 100**--Introductory Physics (3 credits)
- **PHYS 151R**--General Physics I and Lab (4 credits)
- **PHYS 152R**--General Physics II and Lab (4 credits)
- **PHYS 180 & PHYS 180L**--Physics for Scientists and Engineers I with lab (4 credits)
- **PHYS 181 & PHYS 181L**--Physics for Scientists and Engineers II with lab (4 credits)
- **PHYS 182 & PHYS 182L**--Physics for Scientists and Engineers III with lab (4 credits)
**Group B – NATURAL SCIENCES**
- ANTH 102R--Introduction to Physical Anthropology (3 credits)
- AST 109--Planetary Astronomy (3 credits)
- AST 110--Stellar Astronomy (3 credits)
- ATMS 117--Meteorology (3 credits)
- ENV 100--Humans and the Environment (3 credits)
- GEOG 103--Geography of the World's Environment (3 credits)
- NUTR 121--Human Nutrition (3 credits)
- VM 200--Companion and Service Animal Science: Care and Management (3 credits)
** Credit may only be awarded for either GEOL 100 or GEOL 101. 

**SOCIAL SCIENCES (3 credits)**
Students should review the Core Social Sciences section in the program description for their major before selecting a course from the list below. Students should consult with college or program advisors before enrolling in Core courses

- ANTH 101--Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3 credits)
- ANTH 201--Peoples and Cultures of the World (3 credits)
- ANTH 202--Archaeology (3 credits)
- RECO 100 --Society and the Economic Value of Nature (3 credits)
- RECO 202 --Natural Resources, Environment, and the Economy (3 credits)
- ECON 100--Introduction to Economics (3 credits)
- ECON 102--Principles of Microeconomics (3 credits)
- ECON 103--Principles of Macroeconomics (3 credits)
- GEOG 106--Introduction to Cultural Geography (3 credits)
- GEOG 200--World Regional Geography (3 credits)
- HON 220--Introduction to Economic Theory and Policy (3 credits)
- PSC 101--American Politics: Process and Behavior (3 credits)
- PSC 211--Comparative Government and Politics (3 credits)
- PSC 231--World Politics (3 credits)
- PSY 101--General Psychology (3 credits)
- SOC 101--Principles of Sociology (3 credits)
- WMST 101--Introduction to Women's Studies (3 credits)
FINE ARTS (3 credits)
Students should review the Core Fine Arts section in the program description for their major before selecting a course from the list below. Students should consult with college or program advisors before enrolling in Core courses

ART 100--Visual Foundations (3 credits)
ART 252R--Cinema I/The Silent Era (3 credits)
ART 253--Cinema II/The Sound Era (3 credits)
ART 260R--Survey of Art History I (3 credits)
ART 261--Survey of Art History II (3 credits)
DAN 265--History of Dance I: Ancient Civilizations- 18th century (3 credits)
DAN 266--History of Dance II: 20th Century (3 credits)
DAN 467--Dance Criticisms and Aesthetics (3 credits)
MUS 121--Music Appreciation (3 credits)
MUS 122R--Survey of Jazz (3 credits)
MUS 123R--History of American Popular Song (3 credits)
MUS 124R--History of American Musical Theater (3 credits)
MUS 341--Music History I (3 credits)
MUS 342--Music History II (3 credits)
PHIL 202--Introduction to the Philosophy of the Arts (3 credits)
SOTA 101--Introduction to the Arts (3 credits)
THTR 100--Introduction to the Theatre (3 credits)
THTR 105--Introduction to Acting (3 credits)
THTR 210--Theatre: A Cultural Context (3 credits)

Students may also fulfill the fine arts requirement by completing three, one-credit music performance courses from the following list: MUSE 101, MUSE 102, MUSE 105, MUSE 112, MUSE 114, MUSE 121, MUSE 191, MUSE 151 - MUSE 173.

CORE HUMANITIES (9 credits)
All three Core Humanities courses are required. Students are not permitted to begin the Core Humanities sequence before successful completion of ENG 102.

CH 201 must be taken first. CH 202 and CH 203 may be taken in any order. CH 203 satisfies the U.S. and Nevada Constitution requirements.

After admission to and matriculation at the University of Nevada, Reno, only Core Humanities courses taken here or at another NSHE institution will satisfy the requirement.

CH 201--Ancient and Medieval Cultures (3 credits)
CH 202--The Modern World (3 credits)
CH 203--American Experiences and Constitutional Change (3 credits)
CAPSTONE COURSES (6 credits)
Students should review the Capstone section in the program description for their major before selecting Capstone courses. Students should consult with college or program advisors before enrolling in Core courses.

Students should take the last two courses in the University Core Curriculum during their senior year. The pair of required capstone courses build upon the core curriculum and courses in the student's major. The courses deal with ethical and substantive issues, problems and themes that affect the world community; they offer an analysis of different cultures and traditions, or issues relating to science and society. It is recommended that students complete all other Core Curriculum requirements, including the Core Humanities sequence, prior to enrolling in capstone courses. **Students who have not successfully completed ENG 102 and CH 201 may not enroll in Capstone courses.**

At least one capstone course must be taken outside the department of the student's major. (Students in ABET-accredited engineering programs may take both capstone courses in the major.) Capstone courses are identified each semester in the class schedule. Students with questions about the appropriateness of a particular capstone course should see their advisor. **NOTE:** Students who have satisfied ALL requirements to graduate with a dual major have satisfied the Capstone requirement for both majors if they have satisfied the Capstone requirement for one of the majors. **If the student retreats to the pursuit of a single major, then the original Capstone policy applies and at least one Capstone course must be taken outside the major department.**

DIVERSITY REQUIREMENT (3 credits)
Students should review the Diversity section in the program description for their major before selecting a Diversity course. Students should consult with college or program advisors before enrolling in Core courses.

A student may meet the diversity requirement either (1) by completing a diversity course, or (2) successfully completing (for credit) a university sanctioned study abroad course of at least five weeks duration. Designated diversity courses have as their primary focus a topic related to non-western cultures or to excluded groups within western culture. Designated diversity courses that are used to fulfill other core curriculum or major/minor requirements automatically meet the diversity requirement. Diversity courses are identified each semester in the class schedule.