



In the Fitchburg State General Education program, you will ...

- develop skills for personal, academic, and professional success
- increase your familiarity with campus resources
- gain knowledge about our world—past, present, and future—across many fields and through a variety of methods
- explore artistic, civic, diverse, ethical, historical, literary, and scientific perspectives while expanding your approaches to thinking and wellness
- develop skills that complement your major and prepare you to tackle more complex problems and ideas
- connect thinking with doing and apply your learning beyond the classroom walls in experiences that range from community engagement and study abroad to student/faculty collaborative research and internships



Through their complete educational experience, Fitchburg State graduates will be creative and critical thinkers who integrate and communicate their learning from a variety of disciplines and experiences in ways that enhance their civic, personal, and professional lives.

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General Education Program



General Education Program Requirements

FOUNDATION

Foundations for Lifelong Learning
15 credits minimum

Reading/Information Literacy: First Year Experience (R&IL).....	3 credits
Writing: Writing I (W).....	3 credits
Writing/Information Literacy: Writing II (W&IL).....	3 credits
Quantitative Reasoning: Math and Developmental Math, if required (QR).....	3 credits
World Languages, Speaking and Listening (WS).....	3 credits

EXPLORATION

Critical and Creative Thinking
Across the Disciplines
27 credits minimum

Civic Learning (CV).....	3 credits
Diverse Perspectives (DP).....	3 credits
Ethical Reasoning (ER).....	3 credits
Fine Arts Expression and Analysis (FA).....	3 credits
Historical Inquiry and Analysis (HI).....	3 credits
Literary Inquiry and Analysis (LI).....	3 credits
Personal Wellness (PW).....	3 credits
Procedural and Logical Thinking (PL).....	3 credits
Scientific Inquiry and Analysis (SI).....	3 credits

All Exploration courses will also include instruction on at least one of the following skills: Creative Thinking, Critical Thinking, Digital Literacy, Information Literacy, Quantitative Reasoning, Reading, World Languages, Speaking and Listening, or Writing.

INTEGRATION

Advancing and Applying
Liberal Arts & Sciences Learning
9 credits minimum

Integrative Learning (AIA).....	6 credits
Integrative High Impact Practice (IHIP).....	3 credits

OR

Minor or Second Major (courses beyond the 9 credit minimum can also be applied to Foundation and Exploration requirements).....	9 credits
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Majors may have identified up to three General Education courses from the EXPLORATION and INTEGRATION portions of the curriculum that will also meet major requirements. See your advisor and/or your major's four-year plan of study for this information.

