



## NORTHERN'S GENERAL EDUCATION COMMON CORE OFFERINGS

In 2014, Northern completed a review of the total credit hours required to earn an associate and bachelor's degree. For most associate and bachelor's degrees, the review led to a reduction of required hours to 60 and 120 respectively. Due to accreditation requirements and other industry regulations, some degrees may require additional hours.

FYE 101 (First-Year Experience) is a new course required to be taken within your first 30 credit hours at Northern. Students transferring into Northern's associate and baccalaureate degree programs who have completed a minimum 30 credit hours of college level courses elsewhere are encouraged to take this course but are not required to do so. If you choose not to take these courses, you must meet the credit-hour requirements with appropriate electives. If you have taken a three-credit-hour First Year Experience course at another college, it will transfer to Northern as FYE 101.

### AREA I: COMMUNICATIONS (9 CR)

#### Required

ENG	111	English Composition I
SPCH	130	Public Speaking

#### Elective

ENG	112	English Composition II
ENG	116	Technical Writing

### AREA II: MATHEMATICS (3 CR)

#### Elective

MATH	145	Introduction to Probability & Statistics
MATH	150	College Algebra
MATH	151	Conceptual Mathematics *
MATH	155	Trigonometry
MATH	162	Calculus I
MATH	163	Calculus II
MATH	264	Calculus III

\* Conceptual Mathematics will satisfy the mathematics requirement for all AA/BA/BBA/BM degrees.

### AREA III: LABORATORY SCIENCE (8 CR)

#### Elective

ASTR	110/L	Introduction to Astronomy with Lab
BIOL	110/L	Current Topics in Biology with Lab
CHEM	110/L	Introduction to Chemistry with Lab
ES	112/L	Intro to Environmental Science I with Lab
GEOL	101/L	Physical Geology with Lab
GEOL	102/L	Historical Geology with Lab
PHYS	110/L	Introduction to Physics with Lab

This area can also include courses designed for students pursuing science majors: e.g., BIOL 201/L, CHEM 121/L, PHYS 121/L, etc.

### AREA IV: SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (6-9 CR)\*

*You must select courses from at least two different discipline areas from the following:*

ANTH	101/L	Physical Anthropology with Lab
ANTH	102	Intro to Social/Cultural Anthropology
ANTH	110	Indian Cultures of the Southwest
ANTH	207	Cultures of New Mexico
ECON	200	Macroeconomics

ECON	201	Microeconomics
GEOG	111	World Geography
HSS	311	Readings in the Social Sciences **
HSS	414	Humanity and Creativity **
HSS	421	History, Literature, Art & Philosophy **
PSCI	110	The Political World
PSCI	120	Contemporary Political Issues
PSCI	200	American Politics
PSCI	210	State and Local Government
PSCI	212	The American Presidency
PSY	105	General Psychology
PSY	210	Theories of Personality
PSY	229	Adolescent Psychology
PSY	230	Psychology of Adjustment
PSY	232	Abnormal Behavior
PSY	290	Developmental Psychology
PSY	370	Social Psychology
SOC	101	Introduction to Sociology
SOC	213	Deviant Behavior
SOC	216	Ethnic and Intercultural Relations
SOC	220	Social Problems
SOC	225	Marriage and the Family

Second Language Students can use the Second Language Requirement to fulfill the 15 hours required in both Areas IV & V.

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*Plus, topic courses with student advisor's approval*

**AREA V: HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS (6–9 CR)\***

ART	105	Introduction to Art
ART	107	History of Art I
ART	208	History of NM Art & Architecture I
ART	211	History of Art II
DANC	240	Dance Appreciation
DANC	245	Dance History
ENG	270	Children's Literature
ENG	262	Literature of the Southwest
ENG/PIS	265	Native American Literature I
ENG/PIS	266	Native American Literature II
ENG	280	Readings in Literature
ENG	290	Study of Literature
ENG	294	Mythology
FDMA	280	History of Cinema
HIST	101	Western Civilization I
HIST	102	Western Civilization II
HIST	161	History of U.S. to 1877
HIST	162	History of U.S. from 1877
HIST	220	Southwestern Women's History
HIST	230	Chicano Experience in the US
HIST	250	American Indian History
HIST	260	History of New Mexico
HUM	100	History and Culture of Northern New Mexico

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HUM	101	Humanities I
HUM	102	Humanities II
HUM	103	The Search for Meaning
HUM	105	Humanities and the Southwest
HUM	200	Comparative Religion
MUS	103	Music Hist & Lit I
MUS	105	Music Appreciation
MUS	218	Music Hist & Lit II
PHIL	110	Intro to Philosophical Problems
PHIL	111	History of Philosophy
PHIL	220	Ethics
PHIL	250	Critical Thinking
PIS	200	Introduction to Pueblo Indian Studies
THE	120	Introduction to Theatre I
THE	130	History of Theatre

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\* If your major is in the area of the Humanities/Fine Arts, unless otherwise regulated by a given department, you should select 6 hrs from Area IV and 9 hrs from Area V; if in the Social/Behavioral Sciences; you should select 9 hrs from Area IV and 6 hrs from Area V. Consult your major advisor. In any case, you must complete a minimum spread of 15 credit hours between areas IV and V.

\*\* Students in associate degree programs are advised that upper-division courses used to satisfy any of these requirements are not covered by financial aid.

#### **AREA VI: FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE (3 CR)**

FYE	101	Freshman Year Experience
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This course will be required for all associate and bachelor degrees and should be taken within the first 30 credit hours (preferably in the first semester). Students who have already completed a minimum of 30 credit hours of college level courses do not have to take the FYE course. FYE courses taken at other institutions will also transfer to NNMC.

**Total required for associate degrees = 38 semester hours**

**Total required for baccalaureate degrees = 39 semester hours**