

A bachelor's degree in CLAS at IUSB comprises three parts:

<u>PART ONE:</u>	Campus & College requirements (I, II & III) together encourage breadth of general knowledge and skills.
<u>PART TWO:</u>	A Minor encourages depth of knowledge in an area outside the Major, perhaps even outside the College.
<u>PART THREE:</u>	A Major encourages deep and coherent knowledge and skills development in a particular field of study within the College.

PARTS ONE and TWO together make up the College's Liberal Education Requirements, summarized below. For information on PART THREE, major requirements for the BA, please refer to the relevant department or interdisciplinary program section of this Bulletin.

Summary of CLAS Liberal Education Requirements

No course may be used to meet more than one PART ONE requirement. Any course used to meet major or minor requirements may also be used to meet one but not more than one of the PART ONE requirements.

A candidate for a bachelor's degree in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 122 credit hours, including at least 30 credit hours at the 300- or 400-level.

(All courses listed below are 3 cr. hrs. unless otherwise designated.)

PART ONE:

I. Fundamental and Advanced Literacies

<i>Campus-wide General Education Requirements</i>	
	A. Writing
	B. Critical Thinking
	C. Oral Communication
	D. Visual Literacy
	E. Quantitative Reasoning
	F. Information Literacy (1 cr. hr.)
	G. Computer Literacy
<i>Additional CLAS Liberal Education Requirements</i>	
	H. Jr./ Sr. Writing
	I. World Languages (3-12 cr. hrs.)

II. Core Courses

<i>Campus-wide General Education Requirements</i>	
<i>At least one of A-D must be taken at the 300-level</i>	
	A. The Natural World
	B. Human Behavior & Social Institutions
	C. Literary & Intellectual Traditions

	D. Art, Aesthetics & Creativity
<i>Additional CLAS Liberal Education Requirements</i>	
	E. Additional Natural Science course
	F. Natural Science Lab (2 cr. hrs.) (<i>E and F can also be satisfied by a single 5 cr. hr. integrated lecture/lab course.</i>)

III. Contemporary Social Issues

<i>Campus-wide General Education Requirements</i>	
	A. Non-Western Cultures
	B. Diversity in United States Society
	C. Health & Wellness (2 cr. hrs.)
<i>Additional CLAS Liberal Education Requirements</i>	
	D. Western Culture before 1800

PART TWO: The Required Minor

Additional CLAS Liberal Education Requirement

May be taken in any IUSB School, College, Division or Interdisciplinary Program.

	See program information for requirements. (15-18 credit hours.)
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Specific Requirements for Bachelor of Arts Degrees

(All courses 3 cr. hours unless otherwise designated)

PART ONE:

I. Fundamental & Advanced Literacies

Students must satisfy Campus General Education requirements in I. A-G. For details on approved courses, please refer to the General Education section in the Campus Bulletin (pp. 32-36 in the Indiana University South Bend Campus Bulletin 2005-2007).

- A. Writing
- B. Critical Thinking
- C. Oral Communication
- D. Visual Literacy
- E. Quantitative Reasoning
- F. Information Literacy (1 cr. hr.)
- G. Computer Literacy

CLAS BA Students must also satisfy CLAS requirements in I.H. and I. I.

H. Junior/Senior-Level writing

Writing clear English is one of the defining characteristics of a Liberal Arts graduate. All BA students are required to complete a Junior/Senior level writing course with a grade of C, or better. This course must be taken after completing at least 56 credit hours. Please see CLAS Homepage for courses satisfying this requirement.

I. World Languages

The study of languages other than English is essential to understand and appreciate our global community. In recognition of this fact, CLAS requires that its BA Majors attain an intermediate-level proficiency in a second language. This requirement can be met in one of three ways:

- i) Successful completion of a fourth-semester language class, designated as 204 in the catalogue. The 204 course is the last class in a four-semester sequence: 101, 102, 203, and 204. The number of years of high school language instruction typically determines the student's choice of which semester to enroll in. (0-1 years = 101; 2 years = 102; 3 years = 203).
- ii) Successful completion of a 300- or 400-level course in which the primary instruction is in a language other than English.
- iii) Formal training, as evidenced by secondary or university diplomas, in a language other than English.

World Languages Placement Examination: The department of World Language Studies (WLS) offers a placement exam: 1) to determine which semester a student should enroll in; and 2) to qualify students for credit by examination. Students may earn up to six credits for testing out of any two of these language classes (101, 102, 203, or 204). For more details, please see the Department of WLS homepage.

II. Core Courses

Students must satisfy Campus General Education requirements in II. A-D, and take at least one of A-D at the 300-level. For details on approved courses, please refer to the General Education section in the Campus Bulletin (pp. 32-36 in the Indiana University South Bend Campus Bulletin 2005-2007).

- A. The Natural World
- B. Human Behavior & Social Institutions
- C. Literary & Intellectual Traditions
- D. Art, Aesthetics & Creativity

CLAS BA students must also satisfy CLAS requirements in II.E. and II. F.

E. Additional Natural Science course.

To prepare students for a world profoundly influenced by rapid changes in science and technology, CLAS requires that BA students take a 3-credit course in the Natural Sciences, in addition to the course taken to satisfy II. A above. This course may be another N-190 or N-

390. Natural Sciences = anatomy, astronomy, biochemistry, biological sciences, chemistry, geology, microbiology, physics, physiology, plant science, zoology.

F. Natural Science Lab

To understand science, students must learn the experimental method. CLAS requires that BA students take a science course with a formal laboratory component. This may be a lab course linked to a lecture course or it may be an integrated lecture/lab course, in either case totaling 5 credit hours.

III. Contemporary Social Issues

Students must satisfy Campus General Education requirements in III. A-C. For details on approved courses, please refer to the General Education section in the Campus Bulletin (pp. 32-36 in the Indiana University South Bend Campus Bulletin 2005-2007).

A. Non-Western Cultures

B. Diversity in United States Society

C. Health & Wellness (2 cr. hrs.)

CLAS BA students must also satisfy CLAS requirements in III.D.

D. Western Culture before 1800

CLAS BA students should attain an awareness of the historical, literary, artistic or philosophical achievements that have contributed to the construction of the idea of the West, its culture and institutions. CLAS BA majors must take one course whose primary subject matter treats aspects of the ancient, medieval, and/or early modern world and gives the student a sense of the historical and geographical origins of modern societies.

This requirement can be met by taking any course or section designated as approved for Western Culture before 1800. Please see CLAS Homepage for details.

PART TWO: The Required Minor

CLAS BA students must also complete a minor in an area outside their major. For the minor requirements of specific departments and interdisciplinary programs, consult those sections of this Bulletin. Students must declare their minor in a timely manner, by meeting with an advisor for the department or program offering the minor early in their career at IUSB. Students are encouraged to consult with an advisor for the minor regularly.

While the campus-wide General Education requirements expose students to a broad array of topics and methods, CLAS BA students should also explore at least one area outside their major in some depth. CLAS BA students must complete a minor offered by any IUSB School, College or Division or approved interdisciplinary program.

Any student who completes a double major within CLAS or a second major from outside the College will be deemed to have met this requirement.

Testing out of Requirements

Students may test out of the general education requirements I. E (Quantitative Reasoning) and I. G (Computer Literacy), by passing appropriate proficiency tests. For testing out of part of I. I (World Languages), please refer to I. I above.