Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the university's Four-Year Graduation Plan. Courses in the major are those required to complete the major; they may be offered by departments other than the major department.

Before the third semester begins: competence in first-year Portuguese.

Before the fifth semester begins: competence in intermediate Portuguese.

Before the seventh semester begins: three or four additional courses for the major and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

Before the eighth semester begins: seven courses in the major.

During the eighth semester: enrollment in remaining major coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

Portuguese, BA

Course | Title | Hours
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Academic Career

Any Semester

GE CLAS Core: Sustainability

First Year

Fall

PORT:2000 | Accelerated Elementary Portuguese | 5
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200 | Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature | 3-4
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion | 3
GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture | 3
CSI:1600 | Success at Iowa | 2

Hours | 16-17

Spring

PORT:2500 | Accelerated Intermediate Portuguese | 5
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200 | Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature | 3-4
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab | 4
Elective course | 3

Hours | 15-16

Second Year

Fall

PORT:3150 or PORT:3100 | Topics in Portuguese Language or Writing and Speaking | 3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives | 3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3

Hours | 15

Spring

PORT:2850 | Brazilian Narrative in Translation | 3
Major: PORT elective course | 3
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3

Hours | 15

Third Year

Fall

Major: PORT elective course | 3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3

Hours | 15

Spring

PORT:4700 | Latin American Studies Seminar | 3-4
Major: PORT elective course | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3

Hours | 15

Fourth Year

Fall

Major: PORT elective course | 3
Major: PORT elective course | 3
d GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts | 3

Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3

Hours | 15

Spring

Major: PORT elective course | 3
GE CLAS Core: Social Sciences | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3
Elective course | 3

Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)

Hours | 15

Total Hours | 121-124

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a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Culture.
b PORT:1000, PORT:2000, PORT:2010, PORT:2015, and PORT:3050 do not count for credit toward the major. Language level placement will be determined by placement exam score and/or oral interview. Students who place into the 5th semester level of the language will begin major level coursework and not be required to take semesters 1-4 of the language.

c Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.

d GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.

e Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.

f Students may not use a course as an elective that has been applied towards another requirement. At least 18 s.h. of PORT elective coursework must be completed. See General Catalog for list of approved courses.

g Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.