B.L.S. COMMON CORE/GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: 30 SH

The BLS common core courses develop fundamental skills in writing, critical thinking, information literacy, and leadership and give students the opportunity to explore ideas from multiple perspectives. Additional details about the BLS Common Core can be found in the General Catalog.

- **Rhetoric**: 4-5 SH
- **Interpretation of Literature**: 3 SH
- **Natural Sciences**: 3 SH
- **Global Perspectives**: 3 SH
- **Domestic Diversity**: 3 SH
- **Statistics**: 3 SH
- **Information Literacy**: 2 SH
- **Critical Thinking**: 3 SH
- **Leadership and Career Development**: 6 SH

Students who have received an Associate of Arts degree from an Iowa two-year institution participating in articulation agreements with the University of Iowa are considered to have satisfied all requirements of the BLS Common Core/General Education Program, except Leadership and Career Development.

Please click the course link to view the distance education offering in MyUI Courses. If MyUI displays "no course is found" then a distance education section is not being offered in the semester you searched. Use the “Session” drop-down list to change the semester you are viewing.

**Rhetoric**

Courses approved for the Rhetoric area of the CLAS General Education Program satisfy the B.L.S. rhetoric requirement. The following course is offered by distance education.

**RHET:1030** Rhetoric 4-5 s.h.

**Interpretation of Literature**

Students must complete one approved course (3 s.h.) in this area. They may use any 3 s.h. course approved for the Interpretation of Literature area of the CLAS General Education Program. The following course is offered by distance education.

**ENGL:1200** The Interpretation of Literature 3 s.h.
**Natural Sciences**

Students must complete one approved course (3 s.h.) in this area. They may use any 3 s.h. course approved for the Natural Sciences area of the CLAS General Education Program, including the following courses offered by distance education.

- **HHP:1100** Human Anatomy 3 s.h.
- **HHP:2310** Nutrition and Health 3 s.h.

Students also may use this distance education course, which is not part of the CLAS General Education Program, to satisfy the B.L.S. natural sciences requirement.

- **ACB:1199** Anatomy Basic Phys for Radiation Science  **Effective Fall 2017**  4 s.h.

**Global Perspectives**

Students must complete one approved course (3 s.h.) in this area. They may use any 3 s.h. course approved for the International and Global Issues area of the CLAS General Education Program, including the following courses offered by distance education.

- **ANTH:2100** Anthropology and Contemporary World Problems 3 s.h.
- **ANTH:2261** Human Impacts on the Environment 3 s.h.
- **ARTH:1040** Arts of Africa 3 s.h.
- **HIST:1403** Western Civilization III 3 s.h.
- **POLI:1500** Introduction to International Relations 3 s.h.
- **POLI:1501** Introduction to American Foreign Policy 3 s.h.
- **RELS:1130** Introduction to Islamic Civilization 3 s.h.
- **RELS:2852/GWSS:2052** Women in Islam and the Middle East 3 s.h.

Students also may use one of these distance education courses, which are not part of the CLAS General Education Program, to satisfy the B.L.S. global perspectives requirement.

- **POLI:3503** Politics of Terrorism 3 s.h.
- **POLI:3550** Problems of International Politics 3 s.h.
- **RELS:3105** The World of the Old Testament 3 s.h.
Domestic Diversity

Students must complete one approved course (3 s.h.) that addresses diversity and domestic perspectives on current issues. They may use any 3 s.h. course approved for the Values, Society, and Diversity area of the CLAS General Education Program, including the following courses offered by distance education.

- **AMST:2165** Native Peoples of North America 3 s.h.
- **CLSA:2016** Classical Mythology 3 s.h.
- **GWSS:1310** Gender and Society 3-4 s.h.
- **HHP:2200** Physical Activity and Health 3 s.h.
- **RELS:1130** Introduction to Islamic Civilization 3 s.h.
- **RELS:1903** Quest for Human Destiny 3 s.h.
- **RELS:2852** Women in Islam and the Middle East 3 s.h.
- **RELS:2986** Religion and Women 3 s.h.
- **SOC:2710** The American Family 3 s.h.
- **SOC:2810** Social Inequality 3 s.h.
- **SRM:1045** Health for Living 3 s.h.
- **SRM:1072** Leisure and the Liberal Arts 3 s.h.

Students also may use one of these distance education courses, which are not part of the CLAS General Education Program, to satisfy the B.L.S. domestic diversity requirement.

- **AMST:1075** American Popular Music 3 s.h.
- **GWSS:3154** Sexuality in the United States 3 s.h.
- **RCE:4187/EDTL:4987** Introduction to Assistive Technology 3 s.h.
- **RCE:4197** Citizenship in a Multicultural Society 3 s.h.
- **SOC:1020** Social Problems 3-4 s.h.
- **SOC:2430** Comparative Criminal Justice Systems 3 s.h.
- **SSW:3712/NURS:3712** Human Sexuality, Diversity, and Society 3 s.h.
- **TR:3174** Cultural Perspectives in Health Care 3 s.h.

Statistics

Students must complete one approved statistics course (3 s.h.). They may use any 3 s.h. course offered by the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science with the prefix **STAT** except STAT:1000 First-Year Seminar. The following distance education courses are approved for the B.L.S. statistics requirement.

- **STAT:1020/PSQF:1020** Elementary Statistics and Inference 3 s.h.
- **STAT:1030** Statistics for Business 4 s.h.
- **STAT:4143/PSQF:4143** Introduction to Statistical Methods 3 s.h.
**Information Literacy**

Students must complete one approved course (2-3 s.h.) focusing on information literacy. The following course is offered by distance education.

**MSCI:1500 Business Computing Essentials**  
2 s.h.

Students also may use one of these courses, which are not offered by distance education, to satisfy the B.L.S. information literacy requirement.

**CS:1020 Principles of Computing**  
3 s.h.  
**CS:1110 Introduction to Computer Science**  
3 s.h.

**Critical Thinking**

Students must complete one approved course (3 s.h.) focusing on critical thinking. The following courses are offered by distance education.

**JMC:3115 Topics**  
3 s.h.  
**PHIL:1033 The Meaning of Life**  
3 s.h.  
**RELS:2260 Hard Cases in Healthcare**  
3 s.h.  
**RELS:2775 Bible and the Holocaust**  
**Effective Fall 2017**  
3 s.h.  
**SRM:2065 The Experience Economy**  
3 s.h.

Students also may use one of these courses, which are not offered by distance education, to satisfy the B.L.S. critical thinking requirement.

**LING:1050 Language and Formal Reasoning**  
3 s.h.  
**PHIL:1034 Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness**  
3 s.h.  
**PHIL:1401 Matters of Life and Death**  
3 s.h.  
**PHIL:1636 Principles of Reasoning: Argument and Debate**  
3 s.h.
Leadership and Career Development

Students must complete two or more approved courses (total of 6 s.h.) focusing on leadership and career development, chosen from the following list of distance education courses.

- **CCP:1304** "Suit Camp" for the Job Search 1 s.h.
- **CCP:1305** Social Media for Your Job Search 1 s.h.
- **CCP:2001** Graduate Admissions 101 1 s.h.
- **CCP:3102** Job Search Strategies 2-3 s.h.
- **CCP:3104** Defining Your Career Path **Effective Fall 2017** 2 s.h.
- **CLAS:1600** Life Design: Building Your Future 1 s.h.
- **COMM:1818** Communication Skills for Leadership 3 s.h.
- **COMM:1819** Organizational Leadership 2-3 s.h.
- **CW:3005** Professional and Creative Business Communication 3 s.h.
- **EDTL:4081/EALL:4081/EPLS:4081/PSQF:4081/RCE:4081** ePortfolio Production 1-2 s.h.
- **ENTR:1350** Foundations in Entrepreneurship 2 s.h.
- **LS:3004** Perspectives on Leadership **Effective Fall 2017** 3 s.h.
- **LS:3012** Leadership Theory to Practice **Will be removed Fall 2017** 3 s.h.
- **PSY:2910** Industrial/Organizational Psychology 3 s.h.
- **RCE:2081** Making a Vocational-Educational Choice 2-3 s.h.
- **RCE:4194** Interpersonal Effectiveness 3 s.h.
- **RCE:4197** Citizenship in a Multicultural Society 3 s.h.
- **SOC:4225** The Social Psychology of Leadership 3 s.h.