WEINBERG COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
2016-2017

The following requirements and rules apply to most Weinberg College students. Additional information can be found in Northwestern University’s Undergraduate Catalog and in the undergraduate section of the Weinberg College website, www.weinberg.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/.

1. **FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS**
If you enter Weinberg College as a first-year student, you must complete two First-Year Seminars, typically one in fall of your first year and one in winter or spring. P/N registration is not allowed in these seminars.

2. **DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS**
As part of your liberal arts education, you will take courses in a wide range of academic disciplines. You must take two approved courses in each of these areas:

   I  Natural Sciences       IV  Historical Studies
   II  Formal Studies       V  Ethics and Values
   III  Social and Behavioral Sciences      VI  Literature and Fine Arts

Courses from many departments and programs count toward each distribution requirement area. The Registrar’s website provides information on courses approved for each quarter. Lists of all approved courses for each academic year are posted at www.weinberg.northwestern.edu/handbook/degree/distribution-requirements/approved-courses.html. Some “interdisciplinary studies” courses are approved for more than one distribution area. If you take such a course, you can choose in which one eligible area to count it.

Courses taken P/N do not count for Distribution Requirement credit.

A maximum of two AP or IB credits may be counted toward these requirements; credits must be in two different areas. You can find detailed information on scores conferring Distribution Requirement credit at www.weinberg.northwestern.edu/handbook/first-year/placement-and-credit/ap-and-ib-exams/.

You may not satisfy Distribution Requirements through coursework from other universities. If you are a transfer student or take courses through an affiliated study abroad program, special exceptions may apply.

3. **WRITING PROFICIENCY**
You must demonstrate proficiency in writing to earn a degree from Weinberg College. Most students do this through work in First-Year Seminars. Detailed information on the requirement is available from the Writing Program, 555 Clark St., Room 201, 847-491-7414, www.writingprogram.northwestern.edu.

4. **FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**
You must demonstrate proficiency equivalent to two years of college-level instruction in a classical or modern foreign language. Some students satisfy this requirement prior to entering Northwestern, some continue with a language studied in high school, and some choose to begin a new language. You may not use the P/N option in courses taken toward meeting this requirement, and you must earn at least a C- in the final course. Detailed information on different options for completing the foreign language proficiency requirement is at www.weinberg.northwestern.edu/handbook/degree/foreign-language-proficiency/.

5. **MAJOR**
You must explore at least one academic discipline in depth by completing a Weinberg College major, including any required prerequisites, department or program courses, and related courses; details on major requirements are in Northwestern’s Undergraduate Catalog. You must declare your major by the beginning of your junior year. All courses for the major must be completed with grades of C- or better.

Weinberg College students may choose to complete a minor, but this is not required. A student’s total number of majors plus minors may not typically exceed three; exceptions require permission from the Weinberg College Office of Academic Advising.

This document lists majors and minors offered by Weinberg College. Minors and certificates in some other schools at Northwestern are also open to Weinberg College students. Several rules restrict the counting of any course toward more than one major or minor. Details can be found on the Weinberg website at www.weinberg.northwestern.edu/handbook/degree/double-counting-faq.html.

6. **NUMBER OF COURSES AND QUARTERS**
To receive a BA from Weinberg College, you must earn at least 45 units of credit. (Most courses are worth one unit.) At most 11 of the 45 units can come from courses offered by other schools of the University; other restrictions apply. You must be a student in Weinberg College for your last three quarters. All Weinberg College students are also subject to Northwestern University’s Undergraduate Registration Requirement (URR), which specifies for how many quarters a student must be registered at Northwestern and how much credit must be earned at Northwestern in order to receive a Northwestern degree. URR details are on the Registrar’s website.
MAJORS OFFERED BY WEINBERG COLLEGE
Many departments and programs offer several options within the major. In addition, with approval of the Curricular Review Committee, a student may complete an ad hoc major.

African American Studies
African Studies 2
American Studies 1
Anthropology
Art History
Art Theory and Practice
Asian American Studies
Asian Languages and Cultures
Asian Studies
Biological Sciences
Chemistry
Classics
Cognitive Science
Comparative Literary Studies
Computer Science
Earth and Planetary Sciences
Economics
English (Literature; Creative Writing)
Environmental Sciences
French
Gender and Sexuality Studies
Geography 2
German
History
Integrated Science 1
International Studies 2
Italian
Jewish Studies
Latina and Latino Studies
Legal Studies 1
Linguistics
Materials Science
Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences 1, 2
Mathematics
Middle East and North African Studies
Neuroscience
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Religious Studies
Russian and East European Studies
Russian Language, Literature, and Culture
Science in Human Culture 2
Sociology
Spanish
Statistics

1 Special admission requirements
2 Adjunct major; must be completed with another major that is not an adjunct major

MINORS OFFERED BY WEINBERG COLLEGE
Many departments and programs offer several options within the minor. Completion of a minor is not a degree requirement.

African American Studies
African Studies
Anthropology
Art History
Asian American Studies
Asian Humanities
Asian Languages
Asian Studies
Business Institutions
Catholic Studies
Chemistry
Classics
Cognitive Science
Computer Science
Critical Theory
Earth and Planetary Sciences
Economics
English (Literature; Creative Writing)
Environmental Policy and Culture
French
Gender and Sexuality Studies
Geography
German
Global Health Studies
Hebrew Studies
History
Humanities
International Studies
Italian
Jewish Studies
Latin American and Caribbean Studies
Latina and Latino Studies
Legal Studies
Linguistics
Materials Science
Mathematics
Middle East and North African Studies
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Portuguese Language and Lusophone Cultures
Psychology
Religious Studies
Russian and East European Studies
Science in Human Culture
Sociology
Spanish
Statistics
World Literature

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