

**Baccalaureate Degrees****General Studies (B.A.)***CIP Code: 24.0102*(Pages 62-63 of the 2009-10 *Undergraduate Catalog*)

The General Studies degree program is designed for students intending to complete a baccalaureate degree whose educational objectives are not aligned with a more traditional degree program. The Bachelor of General Studies degree is intended to establish the foundation for a lifetime of continual learning and offers flexibly scheduled, highly individualized curricula. Through individualized advising, the program helps students define their educational goals and design interdisciplinary curricula drawing on a variety of course offerings. The program is also intended to allow a student who has completed most of the requirements of a major but has not yet completed the major of an approved program to complete a baccalaureate degree in a timely manner. Transfer credits from technical programs will be applied to this degree; however they may not apply to other degree programs at the University.

In addition to the baccalaureate degree requirements on page 46 of this *Catalog*, the following are required for students seeking a General Studies degree:

- 1 Students must have 18 hours within an individual college outside of and in addition to General Education requirements to receive their General Studies degree.
- 2 Any courses ordinarily accepted for credit by Eastern Kentucky University may be chosen as hours to apply to the 120 hours required for graduation.
- 3 Students seeking a General Studies degree must have 60 credits from a regionally accredited institution which may include completion of an AA, AS, or AAS degree.
- 4 Students pursuing a General Studies degree are not permitted to declare a double major, minor, or concentration.
- 5 Students pursuing a General Studies degree may simultaneously pursue a departmental or University-level certificate.  
(Note from Registrar: CAA Approved 5/21/09).
- 6 Students will be considered a member of the College in which they have their 18 hour major requirement.
- 7 The B.A. General Studies degree is intended to be a first degree and is not appropriate for a concurrent or secondary degree.

**Major Requirements .....18 hours**

Courses must be within an individual College and exclusive of general education requirements.

**General Education Requirements .....48 hours**

Standard General Education program. Refer to Section Four of this *Catalog* for details on the General Education and University requirements.

**University Requirement .....1 hour**

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**Free Electives .....53 hours****Total Curriculum Requirements.....120 hours**