

Provost's Advisory Committee for General Education Oversight (PACGEO)

The Provost's Advisory Committee for General Education Oversight (PACGEO) is responsible for the assessment of newly proposed general education course. Undergraduate students at OU are expected to complete **40 hours of Gen Ed credit** during their time at OU. The structure of the Gen Ed curriculum varies among colleges and degree plans, but all must include the following types of Gen Ed courses.

AREA I – Oral and Symbolic Communication (3-6 courses, 9-22 hours)

- Math (one course)
- English Composition (2 courses) – ENGL 1113 and 1213
- Language (2-3 courses in same language)
- Other courses (not required but may be used to meet 40 hr requirement)

AREA II – Natural Science (2 courses, 7-8 hours)

- Two courses from different disciplines
- At least one course must include a Lab

AREA III – Social Science (2 courses, 6 hours)

- Political Science 1113 – Government
- An additional Social Science course

AREA IV – Humanities

- Artistic Forms (1 course)
- Western Culture (2 courses) - WC
 - One course must be US History 1492-1865 or 1865-Present
 - One additional course
- World Culture (1 course) - WDC

AREA V – First-Year Experience

- Gateway to Belonging at OU, Diversity-Equity-Inclusion
- Global Perspectives
- Ethical and Intercultural Leadership

In addition, the PACGEO Chair (Sr. Vice Provost for Instruction and Student Success) reviews individual requests for Unequated Transfer and Study Abroad courses. If approved, these courses are added to the course equivalency catalogue housed within Enrollment Management, Academic Records and Admissions with the Office of the Registrar.

An email is sent for “approved” and “denied” Gen Ed Unequated Transfer and Gen Ed Study Abroad course forms to the Academic Advisor that submitted the request, and copied to curriculum@ou.edu, which is monitored by a 4-member team in Enrollment Services (1) Lisa Cannon, (2) Jessica Burgett, (3) Anita Bailey, and (4) Alyssa Giles, and te@ou.edu Transcript Evaluation. Per Kellie Dyer, OU Registrar - 04/20/23.