8.005 General Education Core Course Options.

(1) Prior to the award of an associate in arts or baccalaureate degree, a student entering a state university as a first-time-in-college student in the fall term 2015 and thereafter must complete at least one course from each of the general education subject areas listed in this section. These courses comprise the general education core as required per section 1007.25(3), Florida Statutes. The remaining courses and credits that will fulfill the total 36-hour general education requirement are at the discretion of the state university. Completing the general education core and remaining university-specified general education courses are required to complete an undergraduate degree.

- (a) Complete one of the following courses in Communication: ENC X101 English Composition I or A course with an ENC prefix for which ENC X101 is a direct prerequisite.
- (b) Complete one of the following courses in Humanities: ARH X000 Art Appreciation or HUM X020 Introduction to Humanities or LIT X000 Introduction to Literature or MUL X010 Introduction to Music Literature/Music Appreciation or PHI X010 Introduction to Philosophy or THE X000 Theatre Appreciation.
- (c) Complete one of the following courses in Mathematics for students entering in fall term 2015 through the 2023-2024 academic year:
 MAC X105 College Algebra or
 MAC X311 Calculus I or
 MGF X106 Liberal Arts Mathematics I or
 MGF X107 Liberal Arts Mathematics II or
 STA X023 Statistical Methods or
 A mathematics course for which one of the above general education core course options in Mathematics is a direct prerequisite.
- (d) Complete one of the following courses in Mathematics for students entering in the 2024-2025 academic year and thereafter: MAC X105 College Algebra or MAC X311 Calculus or MGF X130 Mathematical Thinking or STA X023 Statistical Methods or A mathematics course for which one of the above general education core course options in Mathematics is a direct prerequisite.
- (e) Complete one of the following courses in Natural Sciences: AST X002 Descriptive Astronomy or BSC X005 General Biology or BSC X010 General Biology I or BSC X085 Anatomy and Physiology I or CHM X020 Chemistry for Liberal Studies or

CHM X045 General Chemistry I or ESC X000 Introduction to Earth Science or EVR X001 Introduction to Environmental Science or PHY X020 Fundamentals of Physics or PHY X048 General Physics with Calculus or PHY X053 General Physics I or A natural science course for which one of the above general education core course options in Natural Sciences is a direct prerequisite.

(f) Complete one of the following courses in Social Sciences: AMH X020 Introductory Survey Since 1877 or ANT X000 Introduction to Anthropology or ECO X013 Macroeconomics or POS X041 American Government or PSY X012 Introduction to Psychology or SYG X000 Principles of Sociology.

(2) A student who transfers into a state university or between state universities shall be required to meet the above general education core requirements if the student was classified as first-time-in-college at their original postsecondary institution fall term 2015 and thereafter. Any course accepted by an institution in the Florida College System or State University System as meeting the general education core at that institution shall be accepted as meeting the core requirements at all institutions. All credit earned by other transfer students shall be evaluated by the receiving institution on a course-by-course basis to determine core equivalency.

(3) Institutions shall report to the Statewide Course Numbering System all courses used to fulfill subject area core course options. Any course recommended to be added to the list of general education core course options from section (1) shall be reported to the Office of K-20 Articulation at https://www.fldoe.org/policy/articulation/ for review. Institutions may apply their course titles to the general education core course options.

(4) Institutions must recognize credit earned through an acceleration mechanism in section 1007.27, Florida Statutes, and Board of Governors Regulation 6.006, Acceleration Mechanisms, as meeting the related general education core course requirement.

(5) Institutions may grant a substitution or modification to the courses listed above for eligible disabled students, subject to Board of Governors Regulation 6.018, Substitution or Modification of Requirements for Program Admission, Undergraduate Transfer, and for Graduation by Students with Disabilities.

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const., Sections 1007.25, 1007.23, Florida Statutes; New 6-19-2014, Amended: 3-29-23.