

Choosing Electives

My
Degree



Elective Listing by Subject

The majority of majors at SMCC require elective courses as part of their general education requirements. Students often have a choice of electives within specific subject areas. Your degree audit and/or the academic catalog from your catalog year will indicate what choices you have for electives. The list below can be used to choose your general education electives based on the subject listed.

Please note: any course code that is not preceded by a number means that you can take any class with that course prefix.

Diversity	ANTH 105, ARAB, BHHS 145, BUSN 255, CHIN, EDUC 115, ENGL 235, ENGL 255, ENGL 256, ENGL 280, FREN, HLTH 100, HIST 120, HIST 125, HIST 155, HIST 170, HIST 175, HIST 225, IDST 140, MUSI 125, POLS 100, POLS 110, POLS 180, POLS 205, POLS 212, POLS 220, PSYC 225, PSYC 235, SOCI 100, SPAN
Economics	ECON
English Communications	ENGL 110, ENGL 200, ENGL 220, ENGL 230, ENGL 235, ENGL 240, ENGL 245, ENGL 250, ENGL 255, ENGL 256, ENGL 260, ENGL 270, ENGL 280, ENGL 285, ENG 231
Ethical Reasoning	ENVR 110, HIST 139, HLTH 100, HLTH 120, PHIL 105, POLS 250
Fine Arts	ARTS, ARTH, CNMS 111, CNMS 115, THEA, MUSI, ARTA
Fine Arts/Humanities	ARTS, ARTH, CNMS 111, CNMS 115, ENGL, FREN, GRMN, HUMA 140, IDST 120, IDST 140, IDST 150, IDST 160, MATH 120, MUSI, PHIL, SPAN, THEA, ARTA, ARAB, CHIN
History	HIST
Humanities	ENGL, FREN, GRMN, HUMA 140, IDST 120, IDST 140, IDST 150, IDST 160, MATH 120, PHIL, SPAN, THEA, ARAB, CHIN
Mathematics	MATH (100 level or higher)
Political Science	POLS
Psychology	PSYC
Science with Lab	ASTR, BIOL, BIOM, CHEM, ENVR, OCEA 105, OCEA 205, PHYS, NUTR 110*
Social Science	ANTH, ECON, HIST, HUMA 140, IDST 140, IDST 170, POLS, PSYC, SOCI
Sociology	SOCI

Liberal Studies Elective Areas

Liberal Studies students are required to take 18 credits in Liberal Studies areas. A full list is below. Some select non-Liberal Studies majors may require electives from specific areas (for example a Physics elective). Your degree audit and/or academic catalog from your catalog year will indicate what choices you have for electives.

ACSS	Academic Success	CHIN	Chinese	NUTR	Nutrition (NUTR-110 only)*
ANTH	Anthropology	ECON	Economics	OCEA	Oceanography (OCEA-105 and OCEA 205 only)
ARAB	Arabic	ENGL	English	PHIL	Philosophy
ARTA	Art Appreciation	ENVR	Environmental Science	PHYS	Physics
ARTH	Art History	FREN	French	POLS	Political Science
ARTS	Studio Art	GRMN	German	PSYC	Psychology
ASTR	Astronomy	HIST	History	SOCI	Sociology
BIOL	Biology	HUMA	Humanities	SPAN	Spanish
BIOM	Marine Biology	IDST	Interdisciplinary Studies	THEA	Theater
CHEM	Chemistry	MATH	Mathematics		
		MUSI	Music		

Free Electives

Liberal Studies and Education are currently the only majors at Southern Maine Community College that offer free electives. Nine credits of free electives are required to earn an Associate of Arts in Liberal Studies. Three credits of free electives are required to earn an Associate in Science in Education. Free electives are any college level coursework taken across any department at the 100-level or higher (please note: developmental classes do not count as free electives or meet any other graduation requirement).

**Although NUTR110 meets Southern Maine Community College's lab science requirement, it may not transfer as a lab science to another college/university. Please note: General education/core course requirements must be met with 100 level courses or higher. Developmental coursework does not count toward meeting these requirements.*