

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.

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| Diversity | ANTH 105, ARAB, ARTH 130, ARTH 145, ARTH 155, 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, HLTH 130, PHIL 105, POLS 250 |
| Fine Arts | ARTA, ARTS, ARTH, CNMS 111, CNMS 115, THEA, MUSI |
| Fine Arts/Humanities | ARTA, ARTS, ARTH, CHIN, CNMS 111, CNMS 115, ENGL, FREN, GRMN, HUMA 140, IDST 120, IDST 140, IDST 150, IDST 160, MATH 120, MUSI, PHIL, SPAN, THEA, ARAB, |
| History | HIST |
| Humanities | ARAB, ARTA, ARTH, CHIN, ENGL, FREN, GRMN, HUMA 140, IDST 120, IDST 140, IDST 150, IDST 160, MATH 120, MUSI 100, MUSI 115, MUSI 116, MUSI 125, MUSI 135, MUSI 145, PHIL, SPAN, THEA |
| 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.

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| 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.*