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Assumption College was founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption (Assumptionists). The College strives to form graduates known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship and compassionate service through its educational model grounded in the liberal arts and the Catholic intellectual tradition. Assumption favors diversity and welcomes all who share its goals and respect the College’s mission and heritage.

The College recognizes the essential contribution of a diverse community of students, faculty and staff. Accordingly, Assumption College commits itself to maintaining a welcoming environment for all people and to complying with all state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination in employment and its educational programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, age, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, genetic information or family medical history, military status, or other legally protected status.

Assumption College rejects and condemns all forms of harassment, wrongful discrimination and disrespect. It has developed procedures to respond to incidents of harassment whatever the basis or circumstance. The College does reserve its lawful rights where appropriate to take actions designed to promote the Catholic, Assumptionist principles that sustain its mission and heritage.

Assumption College has designated its Director of Human Resources to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities to prevent discrimination in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI, Title IX, Section 504 and the ADA. Any applicant for admission or employment, and all students, faculty members and employees, are welcome to raise any questions regarding this notice with the Director of Human Resources:

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BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IS GRANTED IN THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:
  Accounting
  Art History
  Biology
  Biology with a Concentration in Neuroscience and Behavior
  Biotechnology and Molecular Biology
  Chemistry
  Classics
  Computer Science
  Criminology
  Economics
  Economics with Business Concentration
  Education
  English
  English with Concentration in Writing and Mass Communications
  Environmental Science
  Environmental Science with a Concentration in Environmental Policy
  Foreign Languages
  French
  French with Concentration in Francophone Culture and Civilization
  Global Studies
  Graphic Design
  History
  Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies
  International Business
  Italian Studies
  Latin American Studies
  Management
  Marketing
  Mathematics
  Music
  Organizational Communication
  Philosophy
  Political Science
  Psychology
  Psychology with a Concentration in Brain, Behavior, and Cognition
  Sociology
  Spanish
  Spanish with Concentration in Hispanic Culture and Civilization
  Studio Art
  Theology
TO OUR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

College is an exciting time because it is a period of discovery. In the course of four years, you will discover things about yourself and your interests that will set the direction of your life. For this process of discovery and self-discovery to occur, it is important to understand education differently. While you undoubtedly will acquire the skills necessary to pursue a particular career, your education at Assumption will be so much more than vocational training. Our goal is to provide you with a holistic education that aims at forming your mind, heart, and soul. That is the essence of a liberal arts education and the defining characteristic of Assumption College. We seek to form you, and in turn, transform you by providing an education that is value-based, whether you are pursuing a degree in the traditional liberal arts and sciences, or in one of our professional programs such as business or education.

At Assumption, you will be introduced to a broad body of knowledge that will unlock the potential that lies within the very depths of your being. In the course of your studies, you will be exposed to a wide array of disciplines that will expand your mind as you consider new ideas, new ways of looking at the world around you, and new ways of questioning. We seek to provide you with a moral and ethical framework that will assist in the formation of who you are, who you want to become, and how you will live out your personal and professional life. Our goal is not simply to lay the foundations for you to lead the good life, but more importantly, for you to live a good life — a subtle, yet important difference.

As a Catholic institution in the Assumptionist tradition, we take religion and faith seriously as an integral part of the human experience. We strive to foster a climate that will provide you with opportunities to encounter God in the course of your studies. You will explore questions that get to the deepest desires of the human heart and that recognize the role of faith and reason in the search for truth. By highlighting the Catholic intellectual tradition, you will encounter ideas that have contributed to the formation of a Christian outlook on the world that reflects the type of education envisioned by Fr. Emmanuel d’Alzon, the founder of the Assumptionists. Equally important, we seek to foster an ecumenical spirit that will allow you not only to know, but also to live wisely the truths about God, humanity, and the world.

Your education at Assumption will be enriched by our student-centered faculty who are outstanding teacher-scholars. You will not only benefit from their expertise, but also from their availability to work with you outside of the classroom. I urge you to get to know your professors well during your time as a student at Assumption.

During your years at Assumption take advantage of the many opportunities to grow intellectually and spiritually so as to allow the development of your full potential as a human being. In this way, the motto of the College, “...until Christ be formed in you,” will become a reality of your Assumption experience. Our goal is to form leaders with values and vision. The faculty, administration, and staff are committed to serving you to make this goal possible.

Enjoy the exciting journey you have begun at Assumption College!

Sincerely,

Francesco C. Cesareo
Francesco C. Cesareo, Ph.D.
President
Professor of History
MISSION
Assumption College, rooted in the Catholic intellectual tradition, strives to form graduates known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship and compassionate service. We pursue these ambitious goals through a curriculum grounded in the liberal arts and extending to the domain of professional studies. Enlivened by the Catholic affirmation of the harmony of faith and reason, we aim, by the pursuit of the truth, to transform the minds and hearts of students. Assumption favors diversity and ecumenically welcomes all who share its goals.

OBJECTIVES
Assumption College is a community of learning in the Catholic tradition, concerned with the truth wherever it is found. The relationship of professors and students is at the center of the learning process that takes place in this community and is the most effective means for the fulfillment of the College's intellectual, moral, cultural, social, and religious purposes.

In order to assure that the learning process be as successful as possible, the College holds the progress of each individual to be of central importance, encourages its professors to explore with their students the personal and social dimensions of the life of faith, seeks within its means to provide the time and space needed for true learning to take place, sees broad participation in its governance as integral to its life as an academic community, fosters co-curricular activities that complement its formal course programs, and encourages its teachers and students to pursue the highest standards of excellence in all their activities.

As scholars in a community of learning and as guides to their students, as well as to one another, teachers at Assumption should be committed to the liberal education of the intellect in the arts and sciences, should strive to act responsibly toward God and neighbor and to encourage students to develop habits of responsible action, should be specialists in particular disciplines who strive to discern each discipline's relation to all other disciplines and to the goals of the College, and should promote and participate in the co-curricular life of the College as an extension of their activity in the classroom.

In their pursuit of a life of inquiry within a community of learning, students at Assumption should be intent upon acquiring knowledge of the ideas, achievements, and figures that have formed the Western tradition, should seek to gain knowledge of the ways of peoples beyond their cultural horizons in order to better understand themselves and the world in which they live, should maintain a balance between specialized professional preparation and a general program of studies and be aware of the need and place for both in education, and should undertake their studies for personal development while in college and as a basis for lifelong learning.

CHARACTER
Dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, Assumption attempts to equip its students with insights and skills that will encourage and enable them to continue their personal pursuit of truth throughout life. The education that the College provides focuses on all dimensions of human life: moral (personal and social), cultural (the arts and sciences), professional (career preparation), and religious. It investigates the traditions of the past as these shape our present. It attempts to develop clear and independent thinking. It stresses the acquisition of personal values. As a Catholic institution bearing witness to the unity of all truth and to the harmony that exists between faith and reason, the College encourages its students to submit their faith to a reflective and mature understanding and to give it living expression in the celebration of the Church's liturgy.

Assumption is aware that education is a process which involves not only the mind but also the total person in one's relationship to oneself, others, and God. The formal academic programs are therefore interspersed with opportunities for dialogue and counseling in order that each student might better understand himself or herself and more adequately serve mankind in response to the command of God.

Recognizing that individual freedom is a correlative of responsibility, the College also seeks to develop self-discipline and dedication in its members as guarantees of the integrity and enhancement of its life and commitment. The College welcomes all persons who share its goals, respect its process, and wish to participate responsibly in its life as a Christian academic community. Students, faculty, and administrators voluntarily affiliate with it. Their activities are expected to be consistent with its purpose and character.

ASSUMPTIONIST SPONSORSHIP
The Assumptionists, whose spirit invites them to give "a doctrinal, ecumenical, and social dimension" to whatever they do, belong to a religious order founded by Father Emmanuel d'Alzon, an educator whose most cherished project was the establishment of a Catholic university. To all those who taught in his schools—religious and laity alike—he proposed the motto: "Until Christ be formed in you."

Father d'Alzon envisioned an institution committed to the pursuit of truth and academic excellence wherein faith and reason give harmonious witness to the unity of all truth. He sought the development of the whole person. He wanted the students to grow in the knowledge of their human condition as well as of their ultimate destiny.

Since the specific purpose of his Congregation is to extend the Kingdom of God, he concerned himself with the special bond that exists between a liberal education and the Gospel message.
A true liberal arts program, posing as it does the fundamental questions about God and creation, sets the student on a personal quest for truth. Spurred on by the wisdom found through reflection on the visible world, and encouraged by an intellectual community willing to submit its faith to a reflective and mature understanding, the student is led to those deeper realities which cannot be seen. A liberal education thus provides the dynamic vehicle for attaining one's full development as a Christian human being.

The Assumptionists, therefore, maintain their involvement at Assumption College because they see it as a place where they can carry out the mission of the Church in the field of higher education. In collaboration with the trustees and the entire administrative, academic, and clerical staff, they have a primary role in guaranteeing the Catholic character of Assumption College and in promoting a philosophy of education which is consonant with the highest Christian and classical values and ideals. Through this commitment, they share in the building of an enlightened Church and in the formation of Christian leaders.

**HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE**

Assumption College was founded in 1904 by the Augustinians of the Assumption (the Assumptionists), a religious congregation founded in France in 1850. Initially, the students were sons of immigrants from French Canada who had settled in New England. The College was originally located in the Greendale section of Worcester, Massachusetts.

Through the years of the Great Depression and World War II, Assumption remained a small school dedicated to producing a Catholic elite to serve the Franco-American population of New England. The school was decimated by World War II, when virtually the entire college-level student body left for military service. Fortunately, the numbers in the preparatory school increased as dramatically as those in the college declined.

After the war, the Assumptionists observed the gradual assimilation of French-speaking families into the English-speaking mainstream. In the early 1950s they began admitting Franco-American students who knew no French, and all classes were taught in English. A graduate studies program was instituted in 1952. Just as this new era was getting under way, a tornado struck the Greendale campus on June 9, 1953, taking three lives and causing extensive damage to buildings and grounds.

The Assumptionists decided to turn this disaster into the long-awaited opportunity to separate the prep school from the College. The Greendale campus was restored as the home of Assumption Preparatory School, while the College carried on first in temporary quarters and then, in 1956, on the current Salisbury Street campus. The purchase of the property on Salisbury Street was made possible by way of a generous grant from the Kennedy Foundation.

During its half-century on Worcester’s West Side, the college has lived through many changes and challenges. By the end of the 1950s, lay professors outnumbered Assumptionists on the faculty, a process that has accelerated over the decades. In 1968, the Assumptionists turned the school over to a new board of trustees made up of both religious and lay people. In 1969, women matriculated as undergraduates for the first time. In 1972, the College welcomed its first lay president. The College has since experienced significant facilities and enrollment growth, with a current undergraduate population of 2,100 and more than 700 graduate and Continuing and Career Education students.

The physical plant portfolio has been greatly enhanced since 2000 with the completion of new buildings such as Admissions House, the Testa Science Center, the Fuller Information Technology Center, new residence halls, and the Multi-Sport Stadium, as well as major renovations to academic buildings, dining facilities and residence halls, and, most recently the Campus Ministry Center adjacent to the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

The Assumption College Alumni Association includes more than 20,000 men and women who have graduated from the College, including graduate and Continuing and Career Education alumni. Of the 13,500 undergraduate alumni, approximately 50 percent have graduated since 1989. These men and women are engaged in a variety of professional, technical, and service careers. The Alumni Association plays an active role in the life of Assumption College.

A growing percentage of alumni provide regular financial support to the College. Programs specifically designed for alumni include regional clubs, fall homecoming, summer reunion activities, all of which are excellent networking opportunities. Alumni also play an active role in identifying qualified candidates for admission to the College, and assisting graduates in researching employment opportunities.

**GRADUATE STUDIES**

Assumption College offers six graduate programs leading to a master’s degree: Business Administration (MBA), Counseling Psychology, Health Advocacy, Rehabilitation Counseling, School Counseling, and Special Education. For Assumption College undergraduate students, fifth-year options (combined undergraduate and master’s degrees) are offered in the Business Administration (MBA), Rehabilitation Counseling, and Special Education programs. Eligible students may also take two graduate courses in their senior year in School Counseling.
**Masters in Business Administration**

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) program's primary goal is to provide students the opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills, abilities and competencies which will provide a foundation for career growth and development in business, government or other organizations. With principled leadership as the key animating idea of the program, the curriculum emphasizes ethics and values in business. A fifth-year option (Six-in-Five combined B.A./MBA) is available to qualified Assumption College undergraduate accounting majors to begin their graduate studies during their senior year.

The MBA Early Career Track (MBA-ECT) is an innovative track offered for students with, or without an undergraduate business degree. This full-time, one-year intensive program offers a unique Professional Practice concentration that focuses on multiple dimensions of designing and launching a new professional's career through various internship opportunities. The MBA-ECT offers three distinct tracks: MBA-ECT Management, MBA-ECT: Accounting Emphasis, and MBA-ECT: Sport Business and Leadership. Once students graduate with their undergraduate degree, they have the option to attend the Evening MBA program. Optional concentrations available for students include: Accounting, Finance/Economics, Human Resources, International Business, Management, Marketing, and Nonprofit Leadership.

Business Administration also offers a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (C.A.G.S). The C.A.G.S is a non-degree program designed to provide the opportunity for advanced graduate study beyond the MBA degree and serve the continuing education needs of MBA graduates and other professional managers with comparable advanced degrees.

**Masters in Counseling Psychology**


**Masters in Health Advocacy**

The Health Advocacy program imparts the knowledge, skills, competencies and habits of mind necessary for aspiring and established healthcare professionals to pursue high-impact careers in health advocacy. Health Advocacy integrates key elements of management, social sciences, human services, education and health science in such a way to prepare students to navigate the healthcare system and become effective professionals. The program prepares students to operate from strengths-based, culturally competent frameworks that value, respect and empower clients/patients and enhances healthcare organizations and systems. The Health Advocacy program offers a one-year Professional Certificate program, Master of Arts in Health Advocacy, and C.A.G.S (available in 2016).

**Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling**

The Master of Arts in Rehabilitation Counseling is offered by the Institute for Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (HSRS). The master's in Rehabilitation Counseling can lead to a variety of careers in human services and allied health. The program prepares students to provide professional rehabilitation counseling services to veterans and individuals with special needs and disabilities. Upon successful completion of the academic and clinical requirements, students are eligible to sit for the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC) exam. The Master of Arts program is offered on-campus and online. A fifth-year option (Six-in-Five Combined B.A./M.A.) in Rehabilitation Counseling program is available for qualified Assumption College undergraduate students who can begin taking graduate courses in their senior year and complete their master's degree in their fifth year of study.

A five-course, 15-credit C.A.G.S in Rehabilitation Counseling is offered to students who have completed the 60-credit master's program in Rehabilitation Counseling at Assumption College. Students who have completed a closely related graduate degree at another college may apply to the C.A.G.S. program. The course of study for applicants who do not hold a master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling will require completion of 21-30 credits, or 7-10 courses, depending on their previous graduate work. In all cases, the C.A.G.S. course of study is developed in consultation with the graduate program director. Students enrolled in this program have an opportunity to develop an area of specialization that is related to their current work or future career goals.
Masters in School Counseling
The Master of Arts in School Counseling is designed to prepare students for a career as a school guidance counselor. Assumption College’s program meets the highest national and state standards and prepares students to become professionals who are exemplary leaders in public and private schools. Graduate students also have the opportunity to combine the M.A. and C.A.G.S. in School Counseling which includes coursework and an Advanced Clinical Practicum leading to Initial License as a School Social Worker/Adjustment Counselor. The master’s in School Counseling program also leads to licensure as a school guidance counselor PreK-8 or 5-12, and meets the Subject Matter Knowledge (SMK) for the Social Worker/Adjustment Counselor Initial License (all levels). The program is approved by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The School Counseling program offers qualified Assumption College undergraduate students the opportunity to enroll in two graduate courses during their senior year which may be applied toward the Master of Arts in School Counseling.

A C.A.G.S. in School Counseling is offered to individuals who hold a master’s degree in School Counseling or a closely related field. A customized course of study consisting of 21–30 credits, or 7–10 courses, is developed in consultation with the graduate program director. Students enrolled in this program have an opportunity to develop an area of specialization that is related to their current work or future career goals.

Masters in Special Education
The Master of Arts in Special Education program primarily prepares candidates for careers as teachers of students with mild to moderate disabilities. The program is approved by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and leads to eligibility for Massachusetts Licensure as a Teacher of Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities (PreK–8 or 5–12). The competency-based program is founded upon the principles of effective instruction and the philosophy of inclusive education. The courses that comprise the program emphasize connections among theory, research, and practice to build students’ awareness of how to maximize the development of each child in a variety of settings. Accordingly, students in our program develop a repertoire of instructional, diagnostic, consultative, and collaborative skills and strategies critical to the role. They also develop an understanding of the full continuum of services available to individuals with exceptionalities.

A fifth-year option (Six-in-Five Combined B.A./M.A. program) is available for qualified Assumption College undergraduate students to complete requirements for both the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in an area of the liberal arts and sciences and the Master of Arts in Special Education. The student must have an overall GPA of 3.3, a GPA of 3.0 in the relevant major or minor, and written permission of the sponsoring department chairperson and the Graduate Program Director of Special Education. In addition, the student must have a major in one of the core academic subjects taught in 5-8 or 8-12 for which the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education issues a license and for which the college has a state approved program. Special Education offers a C.A.G.S. in Positive Behavior Support (PBS) which provides specialized knowledge and skills in Positive Behavior Support for professional educators who hold a master’s degree. It is awarded upon completion of 15 credits beyond the master’s degree in Education and Special Education.

Graduate classes are offered in the Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions. Further information and application materials are available through Graduate Studies, located in La Maison Francaise. Graduate program information can also be found at www. assumption.edu/graduate.

CONTINUING AND CAREER EDUCATION
The Assumption College Continuing and Career Education division offers degree and non-credit programs geared to adult learners. Degree programs include the Associate and Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, concentrations in Accounting, Human Resource Management, Graphic and Multimedia Design, Marketing, Project Management, and Designer), the Associate and Bachelor of Arts in Humanities (concentrations in English, History, Literature, Philosophy, Theology, and general Humanities), and the Associate and Bachelor of Science in Social Sciences (concentrations in Criminal Justice, Economics, Psychology, Sociology, and general Social Sciences), and a Bachelor’s Degree in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies. Students may also earn certificates in Accounting, Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counseling, Communications, Criminal Justice, Graphic Design and Multimedia, Human Resources Management, Management, Project Management, Aging Sciences, Medical Assisting, and Paralegal Studies.

Courses are offered in the fall, winter intersession, spring, and two summer sessions. Courses offered in Continuing and Career Education give students the flexibility to choose among online, classroom, or blended formats, and between accelerated and traditional schedules.

The Continuing and Career Education division also conducts non-credit seminars in areas such as medical coding and billing and human resources management (SHRM) for personal or professional
development. It sponsors the Worcester Institute for Senior Education (WISE), a member-directed learning center for senior citizens. Further information on these programs is available in the Continuing and Career Education office in La Maison Française, or online at www.assumption.edu/cce.

LOCATION AND CAMPUS BUILDINGS
Assumption College is situated on 185 acres in the West Side of Worcester. This location enables Assumption to offer the opportunities of a large city while providing the comfort of a secure neighborhood. Assumption College’s facilities support students’ academic, social, recreational, and spiritual needs. Some of our most prominent buildings are described on the following pages.

Admissions House (2008) The Assumption College Admissions House was built about 1912 as the home of Charles Persons and his family, renowned manufacturers of bicycle saddles. In 1980, the house was acquired by Assumption College to be used as the home of its president. Two Assumption presidents lived there, and in 2007, the college renovated the home to create an appropriate space for the Admissions and Financial Aid offices. The project included renovation of the 9,000-square-foot Persons mansion and the construction of a 6,000-square-foot addition in a compatible style. The accompanying three-car brick garage was adapted for use as a classroom and meeting space, and is now called the Carriage House.

Andrew Laska Gymnasium (1963) is the home of Assumption’s intercollegiate basketball teams and the volleyball team and is the location for key college functions. The facility was renovated in 2009 and the bleachers accommodate 1,500 spectators. Within this building are offices for the athletics staff, showers, and locker rooms. Assumption’s Intercollegiate Athletic Program emphasizes academic pursuits, while enhancing the athletic skills and competitive instincts of all participants. In addition, intercollegiate athletics assist in the development of the personal-characteristics of fairness, cooperation, self-control, and good sportsmanship, and extend the students’ physical and social capacities.

Armanet House (2001) provides space for Student Health Services as well as common space for campus-wide use. Student Health Services has three rooms for exam and treatment, plus space for day treatment and observation.

Tinsley Family Campus Ministry Center (2012) is the new home of the many activities of Campus Ministry. The facility, adjacent to the Chapel of the Holy Spirit, opened in January 2012. The space has offices for staff, conference space, an interfaith prayer room, and kitchen facilities.

Chapel of the Holy Spirit (1968) is the spiritual center of the College. The Assumption community is welcome to pray at Mass and Morning and Evening Prayer with the religious communities (Augustinians of the Assumption and Religious of the Assumption) who sponsor the College. Other opportunities for students and the Assumption family include participation in the Liturgical Ministries of Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Greeter, and membership in the Chapel Choir. Under the direction of Campus Ministry, students participate in retreats, mission opportunities, prayer and discussion groups, and numerous other opportunities for spiritual growth.

Charlie’s (1983), the College’s casual retail dining facility, is located on the first floor of the Hagan Campus Center. Charlie’s offers a social environment and a trendy Bistro/Café atmosphere, which extends to its outdoor patio. Charlie’s offers extensive hours and a variety of meal options including stir-fry, salad, and coffee bars. It is also a hotspot for live music and campus activities. The offices of Student Activities, Student Government Association, the ReachOut Center, and the Multicultural Center are located in Charlie’s.

Dipasquale Media Center (1977) houses Media Services, which provides audio-visual services to the campus community. The building has a television studio, which is utilized for classroom and student productions, and houses four Avid non-linear editing systems, including a High Definition system. Television production students can sign out two professional video field production kits that include JVC video cameras, Arri light kits, and Sennheiser audio recording equipment.

Emmanuel d’Alzon Library (1988) is home to a collection of nearly 200,000 volumes, and subscribes to about 1,000 journals. Full-text of more than 50,000 journals and 8,000 books is available through the Library’s web site.

The library also houses videos, DVDs, audio CDs, and microforms. More than 100 online databases of articles, images and other resources are offered through the Library’s web site, as well as nearly 200 online dictionaries, encyclopedias and other reference resources. The College’s participation in local, regional, and national library networks provides access to additional resources through interlibrary loan. The library, which is fully accessible, provides seating for 350 readers in a variety of arrangements conducive to study, research, or relaxation, and includes three...
group-study rooms. Computer workstations and laptops with standard software and Internet access are available. Research librarians provide assistance in finding and using library resources at the Research Help Desk, by phone, IM and e-mail. Students can schedule research consultations for more extensive research help. The library hosts the d’Alzon Arts Series of art exhibitions and poetry readings. The Academic Support Center, the Assumption College Archives, and the French Institute are also located here.

**Emmanuel House (1985)** is home to the Assumptionist Community. Located next to the Chapel of the Holy Spirit, the house is designed for ten residents and two guests. There the Assumptionists live in community, along with candidates at various levels of discernment to religious life.

**Founders Hall (1963)** was originally designed as a residence hall. In 1988, it was converted to the primary faculty office building. Currently, 100 faculty have their offices in Founders, and it is the home for nine academic departments. It was renovated in the summer of 2008.

**Fuller Hall / Information Technology Center (2002)** houses three public access computer labs and several technology-rich classrooms, as well as IT staff dedicated to serving the Assumption community. The Center has more than 170 computers, flatbed scanners and laser printers for student use. Primary software applications include MS-Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Internet Explorer, InDesign, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, Flash and SPSS. More than 20 workstations are configured for video editing in Final Cut Pro or Avid, and several are configured for podcast production and editing. The Hub, Assumption’s IT helpdesk, assists students and faculty with technology-related issues. The Data Center (basement level) houses the College’s servers and the core of the College network. The network supports 1,000 network devices and more than 5,000 student and office computers connected via Ethernet or wireless. Wireless access to the Internet and the Assumption network is available in all campus buildings and residence halls. Additional computer labs and or computer classrooms are found in most of the academic buildings on campus.

**Hagan Campus Center (1983)** is where students conduct many of their daily activities. The College’s Post Office, personal mailboxes, and package pick-up and delivery are located on the first floor. The College Bookstore where students can purchase books, school supplies, daily convenience items, and Assumption apparel is located on the second floor. The Hagan Campus Center also includes offices for Campus Ministry, Multicultural Affairs, Student Activities and Student Affairs, as well as for student organizations such as Campus Activities Board (CAB), *Le Provocateur* newspaper, the Heights yearbook, Reach Out Center, and the Student Government Association. The Hagan Campus Center Hall, where various conferences, meetings and events are held, is located on the second floor.

**Kennedy Memorial Hall (1956)** is named in memory of Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., Navy pilot killed in action in WWII, and brother of President John F. Kennedy. It holds two recently remodeled, technologically sophisticated auditoriums: the George I. Alden Trust Auditorium, and the Assumption Prep Auditorium, the primary classroom for the Worcester Institute for Senior Education (W.I.S.E.) programs. It also houses the Honors Program suite, Campus Police, Copy Center, music practice room, faculty offices, and classrooms.

**La Maison Française (1956)** marked by a statue of Our Lady of the Assumption at its entrance, La Maison is centrally located above the College's duck pond and is the first building seen on campus. It houses the President's and Provost's Offices, the Center for Continuing and Career Education, The Office of Graduate Studies, offices and classrooms. The multipurpose Salle Saint Jean-Baptiste Auditorium is used for small theatre productions, meetings, symposiums, lectures, and dinners.

**Living/Learning Center (1998)** is a residence hall with a particular mission. It is designed to foster intellectual discourse among faculty and students: students choose a specific interest circle and work with a faculty mentor who facilitates weekly discussions pertaining to that theme. The student learning outcomes associated with this program include developing critical thinking and speaking skills, global awareness, and a strong sense of community.

**Multi-Sport Stadium (2005)** supports six varsity athletic teams (field hockey, football, men's and women's lacrosse, and men's and women's soccer) and an outdoor intramural sports program with a synthetic turf field. It also features lights for evening games and practices, elevated grandstand seating for 1,200 spectators, a press box, and a president's box.

**Plourde Recreation Center (1992)** provides extensive recreational facilities for the Assumption College community. The 69,000-square-foot complex is the largest building on campus and features a six-lane swimming pool, a jogging/walking track, three full-size multipurpose courts with individual scoreboards, two racquetball courts with a viewing area, a mirrored aerobic/dance studio, a fitness center with cardio-
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vascular machines and free weights, lounges, and locker rooms with saunas. The popular intramural program has 10 sports including basketball, flag football, ice hockey, floor hockey, racquetball, soccer, softball, co-ed volleyball, and wiffleball. Approximately 50 percent of students participate in the intramural program, competing against student teams as well as faculty/staff teams. The Club Sports program is designed to serve individual student interests in various sports and program activities. The active club sports are: cheerleading, dance, ultimate frisbee, outdoors club, volleyball (men’s and women’s), and equestrian. Other programs include first aid, yoga, aerobics, spinning, lifeguard training and massage therapy.

Residence Halls provide quality housing options to the College's undergraduate students, the majority of whom reside on campus. While most first year students are typically assigned "traditional" two, three or four person dormitory rooms, upper class students have a variety of options including doubles, triples, quads and suites, as well as four and five or six person apartments. Hanrahan Hall serves as the Honors students' residence hall, Nault Hall for students wishing to be in a substance-free hall. Since 1998, the College has built four new, air-conditioned residence halls: Living Learning Center, Plough, South and West.

Richard and Janet Testa Science Center (2003) provides students with an exceptional environment for scientific research and laboratory work. The Center houses the Department of Natural Sciences, which includes the disciplines of biology, chemistry, environmental science, and physics. The three-floor Center features a 60 seat auditorium, four state-of-the-art classrooms, ten teaching laboratories, seven laboratories dedicated to faculty and student research, two conference rooms, and a greenhouse. Additionally, the students enjoy bright and inviting study and lounge areas located throughout the building, and the Center's South Atrium offers a sound system for lectures, receptions, and other special events, making it valuable for campus-wide use. Student-faculty research is thriving in this academic building.

Taylor Dining Hall (1956) serves as the primary resident dining facility on campus. It is served by Sodexo, which caters to the entire Assumption Community by offering an extensive assortment of menu choices. It also houses meeting facilities including the Marriott Room and the Presidential Dining Room.

Student Development and Counseling Center (1993) provides a number of counseling services for full-time undergraduate Assumption students. The SDCC staff helps students make the most of their college years. Personal counseling is available in either individual or group sessions. Students are counseled in a safe and comfortable atmosphere where their privacy is ensured. Outreach programs are held in classes, residence halls, and other central campus locations.

Villino Dufault (2013) is home to the college's Rome Program. Located in the heart of Rome in a safe, residential neighborhood, the fully-renovated, environmentally-sensitive building offers comfortable living quarters, a gourmet kitchen, dining and common areas, and a high-tech classroom. The residential neighborhood offers authentic shopping and dining possibilities, as well as nearby jogging and gym facilities.

ACADEMIC REGULATIONS

ACADEMIC CATALOG POLICIES

Students are expected to inform themselves regarding all academic policies by referring to the catalog, consulting with their academic advisors, and making use of other resources such as the academic advising website and their Program Evaluation in WebAdvisor.

The Catalog is not an irrevocable contract. Regulations published in it are subject to change by the College at any time without notice. College regulations are policy statements to guide students, faculty and administrative officers in achieving the goals of the institution. The appropriate authorities with the interest of the students and the institution in mind will make necessary interpretations of these policies. Students are encouraged to consult an advisor or the Dean of Undergraduate Studies if they have questions about the application of any policy.

Each new edition of the Catalog becomes effective at the opening of the fall semester following its publication. To receive a degree, an undergraduate student must complete satisfactorily all requirements described in the Catalog in effect at the time of the first enrollment as a degree student at the College or all requirements described in the Catalog in effect at the time of graduation. Any student who changes from one major or minor to another must meet requirements of the new major or minor in effect at the time of the change. Any student who leaves the College or changes to another major or minor for a period of one calendar year or longer, and then returns to the College or to the original major or minor, will be required to meet requirements in effect at the time of return.

Exceptions to these policies may be necessitated by changes in course offerings, degree programs, or by action of authorities other than the College. In that event, every effort will be made to avoid penalizing the student.
DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
A student in good standing who satisfactorily meets the following requirements is awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree:
- A minimum of 120 semester hours of college credit, with a minimum of 38 semester courses. No course of fewer than three credits may count toward the 38 courses required for graduation.
- No more than 10 courses may carry grades of D+ , D, or D-. Any course with a D+ , D, or D- beyond the tenth one will not count as a course or for credit, but the grade will be reflected in the GPA. A maximum of four courses taken during the academic year or during the summer at another accredited institution or through Assumption’s Division of Continuing Education may be used to satisfy degree requirements after a student has enrolled in the Undergraduate Day College. The 120 hours required for graduation shall include no more than nine semester hours of practicum and internship, unless required by the major or special program sponsored by the College;
- Fulfillment of all Core and major requirements;
- A Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.0 both cumulatively and in the student’s major course of study.

Students are expected to fulfill Core and major requirements in residence, with the exception of credits granted at the time of matriculation or through special programs. A maximum of two courses may be taken outside the undergraduate day college to satisfy Core requirements. These are subject to departmental approval, certifying equivalence by the department chair to a Core requirement offered in the undergraduate college. At least one half of all courses must be taken in the undergraduate day college during the fall and/or spring semester or through the Colleges of Worcester Consortium.

The ultimate responsibility for fulfilling graduation requirements rests with the individual student. In consultation with his/her academic advisor at each registration period, each student should review his/her course work to ensure that all requirements for the degree are being met, particularly in the areas of the Core curriculum and the major.

THE CURRICULUM
The undergraduate curriculum is composed of three kinds of course: courses in the Core Curriculum, courses in the Major, and elective courses, sometimes called “free electives,” to distinguish them from major electives, meaning major courses selected from a range of options approved by the department.

COURSES IN THE CORE
The College’s Core Curriculum is the foundation for its Catholic liberal arts education. It introduces students to the richly diverse ways in which truth is pursued and achieved. Offering a wide range of choice, the Core Curriculum ensures that all students actively participate in the inquiry of many disciplines. This breadth helps students develop writing, problem-solving, reading, and quantitative skills. Core courses connect particular disciplines to wider human concerns to show how each contributes to the common human endeavor to understand and to improve the world. In this way, the Core Curriculum encourages and enables students to form themselves into thoughtful and responsible persons and involved citizens.

- Writing
  Effective writing is highly valued throughout the curriculum, two elements of the Core are more particularly devoted to the cultivation of it. All students are required to pass ENG 130 English Composition as a first step to stronger written communication. Later in their studies, all students must pass a Writing Emphasis (WE) course in a subject of their own choosing, preferably in their major field of study. Successful completion of ENG 130 is a prerequisite for enrollment in any WE course.

The WE attribution is associated with courses through approval of the Writing Emphasis Committee. It is an attribute attached to a departmental offering, and such attributions change semester by semester. For instance, a history course may be taught in a Writing Emphasis format one semester, but not the next.

Writing Emphasis courses understand writing as a process, and are characterized by free writing as a means to help students articulate their basic reactions to texts and topics, thoughtful attention to the use of sources and proper forms of citation, and drafting. In all WE courses, at least one paper must be significantly revised. The typical Writing Emphasis course involves 20–25 pages of formal writing.

- Philosophy
  All students are required to pass PHI 100 Introduction to Philosophy and one additional course from among the following:
  PHI 200  Philosophy of Nature
  PHI 201  Philosophical Psychology
  PHI 202  Ethics
  PHI 204  God and the Philosophers
  PHI 205  Foundations: Philosophy & Religion 1
• Theology
All students are required to pass THE 100 The Bible and one course from among the following:
THE 201 The Problem of God
THE 202 Moral Theology
THE 203 The Early Church
THE 204 Catholicism Today
THE 205 Foundations: Philosophy and Religion I
THE 206 Foundations: Philosophy and Religion II
THE 207 Christ, Yesterday and Today
THE 220 Approaches in Theology

• Literature
All students are required to pass one of the following Introduction to Literature courses: LTE 140 (English); LTC 140 (Classical); LTC 140 (Comparative Literature); FRE 140 (French); ITA 140 (Italian); or SPA 140 (Spanish).

• History
All students are required to pass one course selected from one of the following two-course sequences:
HIS 114–115 The West and the World I and II
HIS 116–117 History of Western Civilization I and II
HIS 180–181 US History I and II

• Humanities Depth
All students must pass one additional course in two of the following four areas:
1. Philosophy or Theology: one additional course in either discipline
2. Literature: one course in literature from the following areas:
Comparative Literature taught in English (CLT), other than LTE 140, French, Italian, or Spanish Literature taught in the native language (FRE, ITA, SPA), other than 140, Greek or Latin Literature with readings in the original language (GRE, LAT), or English Literature (ENG). Any literature courses numbered ENG 221–295 or ENG 320–395 may be taken to satisfy this second Literature requirement. Students wishing to take 400-level Literature courses must seek the permission of instructor.
3. History: the other half of the two-course sequence in History taken to satisfy the History requirement listed above, or HIS150R Civilization in Rome, taken at the Rome campus.
4. Honors 200 Life Stories

• Art, Music, and Theatre Arts
All students are required to pass one course in Art, Music, or Theatre Arts from among the following:
ART 101 Drawing I
ART 106 Sculpture I. Introduction to 3-D Design
ART 107 Collage and Assemblage
ART 111 Painting I
ARD 115 Graphic Design I
ARH 122 History of Western Art I
ARH 123 History of Western Art II
ARH 130 Introduction to Architecture
ARH 150 Foundations: Art and Politics I
ARH 151 Foundations: Art and Politics II
ARH 223 Renaissance Art and Architecture
ARH 231 Islamic Art and Architecture
MUS 101 Fundamentals of Music and Musicianship
MUS 122 History of Music I
MUS 124 History of Music II
MUS 125 World Music
MUS 126 Global Pop
MUS 193 Chorale (if taken for three semesters)
MUS 195 Band (if taken for three semesters)
MUS 196 Jazz Ensemble (if taken for three semesters)
MUS 197 String Camerata (if taken for three semesters)
THA 286 The Theatre Experience
THA 387 Acting

• Mathematics, Natural Science, and Foreign Language
All students must pass a total of three courses to fulfill this requirement: two courses in one area, and one course in another. In the area where the student chooses only one course, only option A can be used to fulfill the requirement.
1. Mathematics
   A. One course at the level of Mathematics 114 or higher
   B. Second course in Mathematics numbered above the first, or Statistics (PSY265, ECO115, CRM/SOC300,) or any course in Computer Science
2. Natural Science
   A. One Natural Science course with a laboratory
   B. Second course in Natural Science with or without a laboratory, or Anthropology 130, Geography 100, 101, or 103, or Psychology 351
3. Foreign Language
   A. One course in Foreign Language at level III or above
B. If two courses in Foreign Language are taken to fulfill this requirement, one of the two can be at the level II. If ITA101R, taken in Rome, leads to a placement at level III in the returning semester, then ITA101R and ITA103 both count.

- Social Sciences
  All students are required to pass three courses selected from three different disciplines on the following list. Only the courses within each list can fulfill the social science requirement from that discipline:

  **Anthropology**
  - ANT 131 Cultural Anthropology
  - ANT 132 Introduction to Archaeology

  **Economics**
  - ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics

  **Education**
  - EDU 101 Schools in American Society

  **Criminology**
  - CRM 130 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System
  - CRM 242 Criminology

  **Geography**
  - GEO Any Geography course

  **Global Studies**
  - GLS100 Introduction to Global Studies

  **Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies**
  - HRS 119 Introduction to Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies
  - HRS 121 Human Development and Disability Across the Lifespan

  **Latin American Studies**
  - LAS 200 Introduction to Latin American Studies

  **Political Science**
  First-year students and Sophomores:
  - POL 110 Political Issues: The Quest for Justice
  - POL 150 Foundations: Art and Politics I
  - POL 151 Foundations: Art and Politics II
  - POL 201 American Government
  - POL 203 Modern States
  - POL 205 Political Philosophy
  - POL 207 Peace and War
  Juniors and Seniors: Any Political Science course

  **Psychology**
  - PSY 101 General Psychology
  - PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood
  - PSY 210 Social Psychology

  **Sociology**
  - SOC 121 Principles of Sociology
  - SOC 122 Social Problems

  **Interdisciplinary**
  - WMS/CLT/HIS/ Women's Studies: Images
  - PSY/SOC 285 The North American Indian
  - ANT/HIS 254 From Contact to Casinos: Interactions with Indians in North America

### Core Exemption Policy
The Core Curriculum is more than a set of required courses; it is a measure of how seriously the College takes its responsibility to introduce students to their intellectual, cultural, and spiritual heritage. It is understood that these are all college-level courses both in terms of the content and the pedagogy, and that they provide an experience that is unlike what most students receive at the high school level. With this in mind, we do not expect that it is in the interest of most students to request an exemption from the Core requirements. However, we do not feel that students who can demonstrate that they have indeed reached a certain level of proficiency in a discipline should be required to repeat the material for the sake of meeting a requirement.

Requests for exemptions can be dealt with on an individual basis, most likely by means of a test administered by the department that measures the student’s mastery of the content of the course for which the student is seeking an exemption.

### MAJOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY
The purpose of the major is to allow a student to develop greater depth and competence in his/her field of interest. A departmental major must require at least nine courses. Further, there is a limitation on how many courses in a single discipline will be permitted. Courses over and above 14 in a discipline will not count as courses and credits toward graduation, but grades will be included in the cumulative GPA. Students are expected officially to declare a major by means of a signed form submitted to the registrar, by early in the spring semester of the sophomore year. Juniors remaining undeclared in the fall semester will be barred from registering for spring courses.

### Double Majors
To take on two fields of mastery is an ambitious goal, but can yield excellent preparation in related...
pairings such as English and history, for those planning to teach literature, or International Business and a language, for those planning to conduct business abroad. However, a double major requires careful planning. Those considering a double major might ask themselves these questions:

- What is the value of the second major, and how does it link to the first?
- Would a minor field of study serve my needs?
- Am I prepared to give up free electives in order to complete a double major?
- Am I certain I would have time to complete a second major? Have I consulted my academic advisor?
- Applications to apply for a double major are available from in the registrar’s office, or the office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

**Double Counting**

In order to assure that the integrity of majors and minors is maintained, while allowing for a degree of flexibility for the student, the following is the policy for double-counting courses for minor and major programs and double major programs:

- No double counting is permitted within the general education curriculum.
- For a minor program, a minimum of three courses must be taken beyond the student’s major requirements.
- For a second major program, a minimum of six courses must be taken beyond the student’s first major.

**THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IS GRANTED IN THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:**

- Accounting
- Art History
- Biology
- Biology with a Concentration in Neuroscience and Behavior
- Biotechnology and Molecular Biology
- Chemistry
- Classics
- Computer Science
- Criminology
- Economics
- Economics with Business Concentration
- Economics with International Concentration
- Education
- English
- English with Concentration in Writing and Mass Communications
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Science with a Concentration in Environmental Policy
- Foreign Languages
- French
- French with Concentration in Francophone Culture and Civilization
- Global Studies
- Global Studies with Business Concentration
- Graphic Design
- History
- Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies
- International Business
- Italian Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Music
- Organizational Communication
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Psychology with a Concentration in Brain, Behavior, and Cognition
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Spanish with Concentration in Hispanic Culture and Civilization
- Studio Art
- Theology

**SPECIAL MAJORS**

An individually-designed major course of study may be arranged by applying for a special major. Interested students should meet with the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. A form outlining the proposed course of study must be completed by the student and approved by the relevant Department chair and the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. These plans must be made no later than the end of the junior year.

**MINOR PROGRAMS OF STUDY**

A minor may be earned in most academic disciplines, although a student is not obliged to select a minor program. A minor shall consist of at least 18 credits, and must be completed with a 2.0 or higher grade point average. Special minor programs of study are available. See the procedure for special majors above. Minor programs are available in most majors, and in Anthropology, Community Service Learning, Comparative Literature, Finance, Fortin and Gonthier Foundations of the Western Civilization, Geography, Medieval and Early Modern Studies, Peace and Conflict Studies, Physics, Sports Management, Law, Ethics, and Constitutional Studies (LEX), and Women’s Studies.

**ELECTIVES**

Electives, perhaps better than any other element in the curriculum, exemplify the liberal arts ideal of study undertaken freely, for the enrichment of the
human mind. These are courses "elected" or chosen by a student purely to explore fields of interest and enrichment, and independent of any requirement. Electives count towards the 120 credits required for completion of the degree. Students may use electives to strengthen their majors and/or minors with coursework in different but related areas. Students who elect courses with certain prerequisites may meet them either by taking stipulated introductory courses or by satisfying the department concerned that they possess the foundational knowledge needed to succeed in the course.

**Matriculation Status**
A full-time, matriculating student is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree who carries at least 12 credits per semester. Normally, a full-time, matriculating student carries no more than five courses or 15 credits per semester and is expected to complete the degree requirements within four academic years. Any exception must be authorized in writing by the Office of the Registrar. A full-time, matriculating student is charged the fixed tuition rate. A part-time, matriculating student is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree who carries fewer than 12 credits per semester and/or whose program of study is planned and designed to carry over more than four academic years. A part-time, matriculating student is subject to the same academic regulations and degree requirements as a full-time degree candidate. In addition, part-time students must maintain an acceptable degree of academic progress and continuity of studies, and are not eligible for the Dean's List. A part-time, matriculating student is charged at a per-credit rate, plus additional fees as determined by the College. A full-time, matriculating student may become a part-time degree candidate with the written authorization of the Office of the Registrar, renewed each semester.

**Non-Matriculation Status**
A non-matriculating student is one who is not a candidate for a degree. The number of courses or credits taken per semester does not affect this status. A non-matriculating student is subject to the same academic regulations and discipline as a degree candidate. However, he/she is given no class rank and is not eligible for academic honors. A non-matriculating student is charged at a per-credit rate, plus additional fees as determined by the College. A non-matriculating student may request to become a full-time or part-time degree candidate by making application at the Admissions Office. The usual policy is to permit a maximum of 12 credits to be transferred from the non-matriculated status to the matriculated status.

**ACADEMIC ADVISING**
The College has a longstanding academic advising system for its students. At Assumption College, only full-time faculty serve as academic advisors. Advisors are available to assist in course selection, to discuss possible majors, to consult when the student is experiencing difficulties with his or her program of studies, and to help the student to take full advantage of the academic opportunities offered by the college experience. In the first year, each student is assigned a faculty advisor. After that, students may opt to select another advisor, perhaps at the point of choosing a major. The advising program is administered by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. The college maintains membership in the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA), and regularly updates an advising website. Its online advising and registration system is called WebAdvisor.

**REGISTRATION FOR COURSES**
Students register in late March/early April for the following fall semester and in November for the following spring semester. Confirmed course schedules are available prior to the beginning of each semester. Full payment of all tuition and fees is required before a registration is considered complete. A student not enrolled in a degree program must consult with the Registrar prior to registering.

**COURSE LOAD**
The expected course load for a full-time undergraduate student is five courses, which equals 15 credits or more. Students should be aware that withdrawing from a course or registering for fewer than 15 credits will necessitate summer, intersession, or additional fall/spring courses in order to graduate with one’s class, which adds to the overall cost of a completed degree. Most courses meet for 150 minutes per week. They meet either three times a week for 50-minute sessions or twice a week for 75-minute sessions.

**COURSE OVERLOAD**
Students in good standing may carry a sixth 3 or 4-credit course for the semester. Students on the Dean’s List are permitted a sixth course for the semester following the Dean’s Listing, excluding the summer and intersession, at no additional cost. Upon request of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, students who study abroad in the semester subsequent to their Dean’s Listing, may request a free sixth course for the return semester, only. Students are responsible for any special, non-tuition fees associated with a Dean’s List free course. Students not on the Dean’s List will be billed per credit after the normal load of 15 credits. These students should consult with the student accounts office before adding a sixth course. All students requesting more than six courses will be required to obtain permission from the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

**COURSE ADJUSTMENT**
After course registration, students may adjust their course selection during the designated all-school adjustment periods, or during add/drop in the first week
of classes. After that, the only way to change one's schedule is by withdrawal from a course, permitted through the 12th week of classes. A student may withdraw from a course by completing the course withdrawal form available in the Registrar's office. The specific date for withdrawal is published in the Academic Calendar. After that date, a student can only withdraw with permission of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. Students are not permitted to withdraw from more than one course if this changes their status to that of a part-time student, carrying three or fewer courses. Students should be aware that withdrawing from a course or registering for fewer than 15 credits will necessitate summer, intersession, or additional fall/spring courses in order to graduate with one's class, which adds to the overall cost of a completed degree.

**AUDITING**

To register as an auditor in a course, a student must obtain the written permission of the course instructor and the Registrar and pay the regular tuition charge. An auditor attends the class but does not receive a grade or credit. Subsequent to the change of course deadline, the status of auditor cannot be officially recorded without special authorization from the Registrar.

**TRANSFER CREDIT**

To transfer courses and credits taken at another institution into the Assumption day college degree, students must identify the course they wish to take, and receive written pre-approval from the relevant department chair for the proposed course's discipline. They must earn a grade of C or better. It is the student's responsibility to arrange to have an official transcript sent to the Office of the Registrar at Assumption College. Grades taken at these institutions are not included in the calculation of the student's grade point average. Once the student has enrolled in the undergraduate day college, a maximum of four courses taken at another accredited institution, or through Assumption's Division of Continuing and Career Education may be used to satisfy degree requirements, excluding study abroad courses, and courses taken through the HECCMA consortium cross registration program. While the college expects that all general education courses will be taken at the college, two of the four permitted transfer courses can, with department approval, be counted in the general education requirements. No transfer course will be approved to count as Writing Emphasis or Capstone courses. Other departmental restrictions may apply. Courses taken through Assumption's Division and Career Education are transfer courses, and all transfer course regulations apply, with one exception: grade points as well as earned credits will be transferred. During a six-week summer session, students are ordinarily authorized to earn credit for no more than two courses (i.e., not more than six semester hours.)

**UNDERGRADUATE REGISTRATION IN GRADUATE COURSES**

Seniors may enroll in a graduate course numbered 500 and above if the course is in their declared major or minor field. Undergraduate students who enroll in graduate courses must have an overall grade point average of 2.75, a grade point average of 3.00 in the relevant major or minor, and have written permission from the relevant Chairperson and the Dean of Graduate Studies.

**ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS**

Classes and laboratories are an integral part of a course. Hence, students are expected to be prompt and regular in their attendance at all classes and laboratories, to prepare assignments with care, to turn in reports and papers on schedule, and to take an active part in class discussions. Only by fulfilling their obligations as students can they gain the full benefit of their educational opportunities. All students must attend class whenever an announced test, quiz, oral or written examination is given and whenever a report or paper is due. Instructors should state in writing any specific attendance requirements for their courses. It is the responsibility of the student to be fully informed of class assignments, special activities, examinations of all types, and to meet the requirements of the course.

Students who have been absent from class for more than one full week for medically documentable reasons or for other very serious life occurrence, should notify the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies at (508) 767-7486, provide documentation, and specify the days of absence. The Dean's Office notifies faculty members of the documented absence, but does not excuse the student from meeting course requirements set by the instructor. For absences of one week's duration or less, the student should contact instructors directly. A student who is absent from a final examination because of serious illness or emergency may request a make-up examination. Such a request must be presented in a timely fashion to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. Serious illness or emergency are the only acceptable excuses for missing an examination. Any exception to this rule must be authorized by the Dean after consultation with the student's professor.

**Semester Examinations**

To evaluate intellectual progress and mastery of knowledge and skills, the College requires students in all courses to fulfill the final requirement by taking an examination (written or oral), or writing a paper, or completing a project. This concluding exercise must be completed during the end-of-semester final examination period.

**CREDIT BY EXAMINATION**

Assumption College participates in the following:

1. **Advanced Placement Program**—students can earn credits and course equivalents for Advanced Placement (AP) exams. (See below.) Minimum scores
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are determined by individual academic departments. Scores below three do not earn credit in any discipline. The Registrar receives AP scores for incoming first year students in July.

2. Department of Defense—the College will award three credits to the student who earns the score recommended in the subject examinations of USAFI/DANTES. Credit will only be given to examinations in disciplines appropriate to a liberal arts institution.

3. International Baccalaureate Exam—the College will evaluate for transfer credit Higher Level exams earning scores of 5, 6, or 7.

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Academic honesty is essential to the existence and growth of an academic community. Without high standards of honesty, the College's mission to educate students in the Christian liberal arts tradition and to promote Christian living cannot be accomplished. Although maintaining the standard of honesty is primarily the responsibility of the faculty, this responsibility is shared by all members of the academic community.

As teachers, faculty members are responsible for initiating students into the activity of learning. To assess this learning, they need to evaluate student work. To carry out this office, faculty members must try to ensure that student work submitted for academic credit is the result of the student's own effort and conforms to established standards of academic honesty. Therefore, academic evaluation includes a judgment that the student's work is free from dishonesty of any type, and course grades should be and shall be adversely affected by academic dishonesty. The College views collaboration and sharing information as valuable characteristics of academic communities, and faculty members are responsible for clarifying to students the expectations and boundaries about collaborations and information sharing in their courses and their academic disciplines. It is the duty of faculty members to take measures to preserve and transmit the virtues of the academic community, both through example in their own academic pursuits and the learning environment they create for their students. To this end, they are expected to encourage in their students a desire to behave honestly. They also must take measures to discourage student dishonesty. To meet their obligations, when academic dishonesty is suspected, faculty members must follow the policies and procedures stated in the Assumption College Student Academic Honesty Policy.

Students are also members of the community of learners. In order to carry out this activity, they cannot violate the standard of honesty through cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, or abuse of academic materials. Students are responsible for reading and understanding that policy. Specific questions about the policy should be directed to a faculty member or to the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. Students are expected to take an active role in encouraging other members to respect this standard. When students are unclear as to whether the standards of academic honesty are being upheld, they are responsible for seeking clarification from a faculty member or administrator. Should a student have evidence of a violation of academic honesty, he/she should make the evidence known to a member of the faculty or administration.

• Cheating—Using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, notes, study aids or other devices in any academic exercise. This definition includes unauthorized communication of information during an academic exercise.

• Plagiarism—Presenting the work of another as one's own (i.e., without proper acknowledgment of the source). The sole exception to the requirement of acknowledging sources is when the ideas, information, etc., are common knowledge.

• Abuse of Academic Materials—Destroying, stealing, or making inaccessible library or other academic resource material.

• Complicity in Academic Dishonesty—Helping or attempting to help another to commit an act of academic dishonesty.

• Fabrication and Falsification—Alteration or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise. Falsification is a matter of altering information, while fabrication is a matter of inventing or counterfeiting information to use in any academic exercise.

• Multiple Submission—The submission of substantial portions of the same academic work (including oral reports) for credit more than once without authorization.

Collaboration in any assignment requires prior faculty approval.

The College's commitment to maintaining and encouraging a high degree of honesty is demonstrated in many ways. One manifestation is the policies and procedures governing student violations of academic honesty. Specific definitions, penalties, and procedures for dealing with violations of the code of student academic honesty can be found in the Assumption College Student Academic Honesty booklet. Copies of this publication may be found in the Offices of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Student Affairs, the d'Alzon Library, the Academic Support Center, and the Assumption College website.

GRADING SYSTEM

Course grades are recorded on the student's permanent record at the end of each semester. Course grades are issued to the student at the end of each semester. In addition, the student may request a progress report from the instructor in each of his/her courses prior to the last day for withdrawal in each semester.
Letter grades, which may be modified by plus or minus symbols, indicate the level of performance in a course as follows: A (Excellent), B (Good), C (Average), D (Poor); a grade of F indicates that a student has failed the course. Only grades for courses taken at Assumption College (including courses taken in Assumption's Continuing and Career Education Program) and at Consortium campus institutions through cross-registration are included in the calculation of GPAs for transcript purposes. Following is a numerical conversion of letter grades: A (4.0), A− (3.7), B+ (3.3), B (3.0), B− (2.7), C+ (2.3), C (2.0), C− (1.7), D+ (1.3), D (1.0), D− (0.7), F (0).

Incomplete
An Incomplete (I) is approved when a student, because of illness or serious emergency at the end of the semester, has not been able to complete the requirements of his/her course by the grade deadline. Incompletes must be approved by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, in consultation with the instructor of record. Faculty overseeing incompletes must submit a Change of Grade form before the end of the sixth week of the following semester, or the Incomplete is changed to an F. Any exception to this policy must have the prior approval of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

Withdrawal from a Course
Withdraw (W), is posted and becomes the final grade when a student withdraws from a course prior to the Withdrawal deadline as posted on the academic calendar. Withdrawing from a course may create a course and credit shortage. The student will have to complete additional course work to eliminate this shortage and graduate on schedule. A W grade is processed only when the student submits to the Registrar a course withdrawal form with all required signatures, including that of the instructor of record. Not attending class does not constitute a withdrawal.

Replacing a Course
When an F or any other low grade is earned by a student, the student may compensate for this either by repeating the course, if it is a specific requirement, or by taking a course which satisfies the same requirement. The low grade then appears on the student's transcript with no hours attempted or earned and is removed from the semester and cumulative grade point average after the course has been replaced. Students must request course replacements from the Registrar.

Class Rank
The final class rank of a graduating student is based on the average of all grades for courses taken at Assumption College and at Consortium institutions through cross-registration.

PASS/NO CREDIT OPTION
In order to allow students the opportunity to explore courses which they might otherwise be hesitant to take, the College allows for a Pass/No Credit option. Under this option, the student receives a grade of P (Pass) for performance at the level of C− or higher and NC (No Credit) for performance at an unsatisfactory level (i.e., below C−). Neither grade will include quality points calculated into the student's overall GPA. This option is available to all second-, third-, and fourth-year students who have an overall GPA of 2.0 at the time the option is requested. Transfer students must have completed at least one semester at Assumption before being eligible. Qualified students must request this option by filling out a Pass/No Credit Option Form in the Registrar's Office up to the last day for withdrawing from a course. Once the form has been submitted to the Registrar's Office, the P/NC option is final. The student will not receive a letter grade in the course on his or her grade report or transcript. This option may only be used for elective courses and may not be used for any courses taken to satisfy either Core or Major requirements. Only two courses may be taken for Pass/No Credit, and only one may be taken in any given semester.

CHANGE OF GRADE
All grade changes in the Undergraduate College must be made before the end of the sixth week of the following semester. Students requesting a change of grade do so by petitioning the faculty member in writing, stating the reason for the request. If the faculty member agrees, he/she submits the change of grade form, with a clear indication of the reason for the change, to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies for approval or denial. Grade changes are approved only in the case of mathematical error in the computation of a grade, or unavoidable accident or error. All requests for change of grade based on work turned in after the last day of the semester will be denied.

ACADEMIC STANDING
Good academic standing means making steady progress towards the degree, and achieving at least a 2.0 each semester, towards the ultimate goal of a 2.00 in the cumulative and major gpa's, which are required for graduation. If a student fails to achieve a 2.0 grade point average in any given semester, he or she will be reviewed by the Academic Policy Board. When the Academic Policy Board reviews a student's records, one of three statuses will be assigned: Academic Probation, Conditional Enrollment, or Required Withdrawal (expulsion). While on Probation or Conditional Enrollment, the student works with his/her academic advisor, the Dean's office, and staff from the Academic Studies.
Support Center to earn a 2.0 or higher and regain good standing. Conditionally enrolled students are required to take 5 courses, are not permitted to withdraw from a course, and must achieve a GPA of at least 2.00 in the next semester or be required to withdraw.

PROGRESS TOWARDS THE DEGREE
It is expected that all students will register for and successfully complete fifteen (15) credit hours per semester. Indeed, students must do so in order to complete a bachelor’s degree in the expected four years, or eight semesters. An Assumption College bachelor's degree is eight semesters of fifteen credit hours per semester, for a total of the required 120 credit hours. Registering for fewer than 15 credits, withdrawal from a course, or failure of a course, will result in a shortage of credit hours. Such credits must be made up by means of a departmentally pre-approved summer, intersession, or fall/spring term sixth course. All such courses fall outside of the fall/spring tuition package, and as such constitute an added financial burden on the student who must pay for these credits. Full-time status is maintained at twelve (12) credit hours, students are not permitted to carry fewer than 12 credit hours and remain a full-time student. Students who register for fewer than 12 credit hours 1. must file a change to part-time status form with the registrar at the beginning of each semester 2. will not be eligible for on-campus housing 3. will have their financial aid package reviewed, and possibly adjusted 4. may not be eligible for health insurance through their parents.

WITHDRAWAL FROM THE COLLEGE
A student who voluntarily withdraws from the College must return all College property and settle all financial obligations to the College, and inform the Dean of Studies of his/her intention, and complete a withdrawal form. A student who receives considerable financial support from his/her parents or guardians would be well advised to obtain their written approval prior to officially withdrawing. A student who withdraws without having complied with the above requirements will receive a grade of F in all current courses. The student forfeits any tuition refund, all rights to transcripts of grades, and consideration for readmission.

WITHDRAWAL WITH INTENT TO RETURN (WWIR)
It is sometimes necessary for students to interrupt their studies due to ill health, family emergency, or other serious reason. For such students, we offer Withdrawal With Intent to Return. Applications for WWIR are processed by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. The applicant must be in good academic and judicial standing, must request WWIR for a specific period of time, stating cause, and must confer with Financial Aid prior to departure regarding the effects of WWIR on financial aid, loans repayment, grace periods, and other information. When the student wishes to return, the student will write a letter to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, requesting readmission. If conditions were set for return at the time of application for WWIR, those conditions must be met. For students returning from WWIR, every effort will be made to reinstate financial aid in its original form. An administrative fee of $250.00 is charged for each semester of Withdrawal With Intent to Return. Students planning to return should contact Residential Life at x7505 regarding housing. Students studying abroad or studying away are not required to take WWIR, but are on a study abroad/away leave of absence from the college.

READMISSION POLICY
All students requesting readmission to the college, regardless of their cause for withdrawing, must submit a letter to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies explaining the circumstances of their departure from the college, their reasons for requesting to return to Assumption, and how the circumstances leading to their withdrawal have changed. Once it has been determined that the student’s withdrawal was not the result of academic or disciplinary measures, the applicant will be cleared to apply for readmission through the Admissions Office. For spring semester readmissions, completed applications must be received by December 21. For fall semester readmissions, completed applications must be received by July 1.

Students who have been required to withdraw for academic or disciplinary reasons are ineligible for readmission for one full semester. In addition to the letter described above, these students will further be required to send to the office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies official transcripts of academic work done since leaving the college, and letters of recommendation from professors, employers, and other relevant persons in support of his or her application. Other materials may be required in order to demonstrate that all issues leading to the student’s required withdrawal have been addressed by the student during his or her time away. Students will be notified in writing by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies if readmission is permitted or denied. If readmitted, the student will be on Conditional Enrollment, and required to meet regularly with the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and/or the Dean of Students, and must follow any and all conditions set at the time of readmission.

DEAN’S LIST
A student whose semester GPA is 3.50 or higher qualifies for Dean’s List if she/he meets one of the two criteria:
1. During the semester, the student carried at least five courses, earning at least 15 credits.
2. During the semester, the student carried at least four courses, earning at least 12 credits and, since matriculating at Assumption College, has successfully completed an average of five courses, 15 credits per semester. This list is published once at the end of each semester. A student on the Dean's List is permitted to carry a sixth course at no additional cost for the following Assumption College undergraduate semester. The free course does not apply to summer sessions or intersession in Continuing and Career Education, or in the day college summer sessions. Students achieving Dean's List prior to a semester studying abroad may request from the Dean that the 6th free course be applied to their returning semester.

GRADUATION HONORS
Graduation honors are awarded based on graded courses taken at Assumption College or through the Colleges of Worcester Consortium. Thus, the Bachelor of Arts degree is conferred:

- **Cum laude**—upon a student who earns a cumulative GPA of 3.50 in courses at Assumption College and through the Worcester Consortium,
- **Magna cum laude**—upon a student who earns a cumulative GPA of 3.75 in courses at Assumption College and through the Worcester Consortium,
- **Summa cum laude**—upon a student who earns a cumulative GPA of 3.90 in courses at Assumption College and through the Worcester Consortium.

A part-time matriculated student is eligible for graduation honors based on the same standards as a full-time matriculated student. Transfer students may qualify for graduation honors if they satisfy the standards described above in a minimum of 19 courses taken in the undergraduate day college or through the Worcester Consortium.

The valedictorian and salutatorian are chosen from graduating students of the undergraduate day college who fulfill the criteria for a Bachelor of Arts degree, summa cum laude. The selection committee consists of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, the Senior Class President and Vice President, the Chairperson(s) of the Commencement Committee, and those representatives of the faculty who serve on the Commencement Committee. In evaluating candidates for these awards, the selection committee does not consider grades for any external coursework. The committee reviews academic records and contributions to the community, and interviews candidates in order to select the recipients of the College's highest graduation honors.

PARTICIPATION IN COMMENCEMENT
Students who have met the degree requirements are eligible to participate in Commencement exercises. In addition, degree candidates who are within two courses (a maximum of eight credits) of completing their requirements at the end of the Spring semester will be permitted to participate in Commencement under the following conditions:

- The student must formally petition the Dean of Undergraduate Studies and the Registrar no later than the last Friday in March. The petition must detail the deficiency and include a plan to complete the course work, preferably during the subsequent summer.
- The student must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA and a 2.0 GPA in the major at the time of the petition since both of these are graduation requirements. Students who find themselves with a shortage of not more than two courses (maximum of eight credits) because of Spring semester grade results will be permitted to participate if the required GPAs have been achieved through the Spring semester and if they submit to the committee a completion plan.
- The committee will review all petitions to determine if the students have met the eligibility requirements for participating in the Commencement exercise. The determination by the committee will be final, and no appeals of the decision will be allowed.
- Students who are required to withdraw from the Spring semester of their senior year are not eligible to participate in Commencement.

Petitioners will be notified in writing of the committee's decision. Those students who are allowed to participate in Commencement will receive diploma cases containing notice of their remaining requirements. Their names will be footnoted “Degree in Progress” in the Commencement program.

TRANSCRIPTS OF ACADEMIC RECORD
Transcripts are issued by the Office of the Registrar only upon written request by the student. An “official” transcript is mailed directly to the institution or employer designated by the student, or released in a sealed envelope to the student. It bears the impression of the College seal and the Registrar’s signature. The fee is $4.00. An “unofficial” transcript can be sent directly to the student upon written request. Currently enrolled students may request their unofficial transcript at no charge. Transcript request forms are available in the Registrar's Office and should be filled out seven business days prior to the time the transcript is needed. The fee is $4.00.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their education records. They are:

- The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the College receives a request for access.
Students should submit to the Registrar, Dean of Studies, head of the academic department, or other appropriate official, written requests that identify the record(s) they wish to inspect. The College official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the College official to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.

• The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student’s privacy rights.

Students may ask the College to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading.

If the College decides not to amend the record as requested by the student, the College will notify the student of the decision and advise the student of his or her right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.

• The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to College officials with legitimate educational interests. A College official is a person employed by the College in an administrative, supervisory, academic or research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person or company with whom the College has contracted (such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent); a person serving on the Board of Higher Education, or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another College official in performing his or her tasks. A College official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the College discloses education records without a student’s consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

• The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the College to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-5920

The items listed in the following paragraph may be released at the discretion of the College. Under the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (As Amended), students have the right to withhold the disclosure of any or all of the items. Written notification to withhold any or all items must be directed to the Registrar’s Office by the publicized deadline. Items: The student’s name, address, telephone listing, campus e-mail address, date and place of birth, major field of study, class year, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees, honors and awards received, current photo, and the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended by the student.

A request to withhold any or all of the above data in no way restricts internal use of the material by the College.

Only parents of dependent students have access rights to the records of students. In compliance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (As Amended), the College reserves the right to disclose information about dependent students to their parents without the students’ written consent. Information will not be released until the College is assured that the parent is entitled to such information. Students have the right to review their disciplinary records which are maintained by the Office of Student Affairs. Students may challenge the content of those records which they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. In order to review records, students should make an appointment with the Dean of Students. In order to maintain the confidentiality of other students, the Dean of Students will review the file with the student in summary form. Duplicate copies of the file will not be issued to the student.

SPECIAL ACADEMIC OPTIONS

THE ASSUMPTION COLLEGE HONORS PROGRAM

In keeping with Assumption’s tradition of academic excellence, the College offers the Assumption College Honors Program, designed to foster academic engagement inside and outside the classroom. The program promotes intellectual friendship and discourse, while providing a common, intensive learning experience. This program allows students to earn an Honors Program Certificate. Admission is by invitation and application. Outstanding accepted students who have demonstrated academic excellence in standardized test scores, rank in class, engagement inside and outside the classroom, and a passion for learning are invited to apply to the program. Students with an outstanding first semester may also apply to join the program at the beginning of the sophomore
year. The Program Director will invite eligible students to apply during the Spring semester. Transfer students are eligible to apply to the Honors Program at the time of admission by submitting a transcript and writing an essay. Interested students should contact the Director of the Honors Program, Professor Rachel Ramsay. Curricular details can be found in the “Interdisciplinary Programs” section of this catalog.

THE TAGASTE PROJECT
Assumption College offers a First Year Experience called, “The Tagaste Project.” Named for the town in North Africa where St. Augustine lived, studied, and did service with a group of his friends, Tagaste offers first-year students the opportunity to join a learning community animated by a shared experience of living and learning with a small group of peers. Tagaste Project members choose a learning community from among a variety of topics and themes offered annually. These themes link first-year course offerings from different disciplines, two in the fall, and two in the spring, integrating the students' experience throughout the first year. Tagaste students share a team of faculty who serve as their academic advisors. They share a living environment, and co-curricular activities related to the chosen linkage.

THE FIRST YEAR PROGRAM
The First Year Program is designed to aid students in their transition from high school to college. Students are invited to participate in June prior to the First Year Orientation. The program consists of two Core courses. First Year Program Faculty serve as academic advisors to their students and are aided by teaching and tutorial assistants, upper-class majors trained as peer tutors.

STUDY ABROAD
Assumption College encourages qualified students to spend a semester or a year abroad as a part of their undergraduate education, either at the College's campus in Rome, or through one of its approved study abroad programs, or both. Students from Assumption College study in across the globe in locations such as Australia, Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Northern Ireland, Scotland, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, and Semester at Sea. Host institutions include Oxford University, Stellenbosch University, and the University of St. Andrews. Stateside, students have participated in the Washington Center for Internships and Seminars, the Washington Semester at American University, and the New York Media Experience. Some study abroad programs permit a student to begin language study; other programs offer language immersion for those students who are familiar with the language and wish to achieve fluency.

Students interested in studying abroad must meet with the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, who serves as the director of the Study Abroad Program, who determines eligibility. A 3.0 cumulative GPA is required at the time of application, and students must be in good judicial standing, and be healthy, mature, and resourceful enough to adapt to a foreign environment. Students work with the Dean's office to select a program, submit an application, and secure transfer course approvals. Students should consult with their academic advisors regarding appropriate choices for study abroad courses. The most popular time to study abroad in in the junior year, however, travel is permitted for sophomores and seniors. Second semester senior students abroad should be aware that official transcripts from abroad take time to be completed and to be received, and must be received prior to the awarding of a degree. A fee of $1,000 per semester is charged for study abroad. All financial aid a student would normally receive at Assumption College, including Assumption College Merit scholarship funds, will be awarded for study abroad. For more information about Study Abroad, call x7486 to make an appointment with the Dean. Deadline for spring study is October 1, for fall April 1.

ROME PROGRAM
Rome, the Eternal City, is a treasure of art, culture and history – a place where the foundation of western civilization was built. Against this rich backdrop, Assumption College designed a semester-long program of study specially designed for sophomores to experience the riches of Rome while completing many of their general education requirements. Housed at centrally-located Villino Dufault, Italy becomes a living classroom with visits to culturally and historically significant locations in Rome, and across the country. Excursions with within the city, and to other locations in Italy, are included. Program size is limited to 25 students per semester. The program requires a 2.75 cumulative grade point average and good judicial standing. Interested students should contact Dean Knowlton at x7486. Deadline to apply for spring study is October 15, for fall April 15.

SOPHIA PROGRAM
The Sophomore Initiative at Assumption (SOPHIA) is a living/learning experience for sophomores aimed at guiding and cultivating discernment of their personal, professional, and spiritual vocation. Students apply for admission in the spring semester of their first year. SOPHIA Collegians may live in residence together in the Living/Learning Center, enroll in ENG 227 Still Small Voice: Readings in Vocation, have a dedicated faculty mentor, compete for three high impact summer grants in the areas of community engagement, faith, and the life of the mind, and are invited to participate in a two-week capstone experience in Rome in May.
INTERNSHIPS FOR CREDIT
Assumption College recognizes the wisdom and utility of encouraging internships in a variety of fields. Non-credit bearing internships are organized and approved through the Career Service Center, and may be paid or unpaid. Internships for credit add to the work experience a substantive academic component and may also be either for pay, or not for pay. In recent years, students have undertaken internships for credit with state representatives, in museum and archival work, in radio, television, and newspapers, in banking, public relations, personnel work, and labor-management relations, and with dentists and physicians. Recent placements include the University of Massachusetts Medical School, The Worcester Sharks, Old Sturbridge Village, and many other sites. Opportunities also exist for students to do internships in Washington, D.C., New York City, as well as in a number of international settings. Interested students should contact the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

Students design internships for credit by collaborating with a site supervisor and a supervising faculty member, who will award a grade for internship. The student should approach a faculty member with the internship’s description. Once the faculty member agrees to act as sponsor, a proposal, which specifies both the proposed site experience and the academic assignments integrated into it, is submitted to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. The student must hold a GPA of 2.8 or higher, and must have the academic background and talent to work effectively on the internship. An internship project, in most instances, carries three academic credits for 140 hours of work on site. A student may complete only one internship for credit, unless otherwise required by his or her major.

INDEPENDENT STUDY
A truly engaged student may develop an interest in a field or subject not addressed in the usual course offerings, or by way of the Worcester Consortium. Such a student might choose to undertake an Independent Study, a one-on-one course with a professor of relevant expertise. Applications for Independent Study are available in the registrar’s office, and must carry the signature of the instructing faculty member and that professor’s chairperson before being submitted to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies for final approval. Only one Independent Study per semester is permitted.

FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS AND OTHER POST-BACALLAUREATE SCHOLARSHIPS
Prestigious scholarships enable Assumption students and post-graduates to engage in learning experiences in the United States and abroad. Opportunities are available for undergraduate and post-graduate scholarship support. Some of these scholarships opportunities include the Fulbright for postgraduate study abroad, the Marshall and Rhodes for postgraduate study in the United Kingdom, the William Simon Fellowship for Noble Purpose, the James Madison Scholarship, the Barry Goldwater Scholarship, the N.C.A.A. Post-Graduate Scholarship, and the David L. Boren Graduate Fellowship. For more information contact Professor Smriti Rao, Post-Baccalaureate Scholarship Advisor, x7565.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS OF STUDY AND AGREEMENTS
Higher Education Consortium of Central Massachusetts, Inc. (HECCMA)
In 1968, Assumption College joined with other institutions of higher learning in the Worcester area to organize the Worcester Consortium for Higher Education, more recently named the Colleges of Worcester Consortium, Inc. and recently re-established as the Higher Education Consortium of Central Massachusetts, Inc. Specialized courses are available for credit away from the home institution under a system of cross-registration. Participants in the Consortium are: Anna Maria College, Assumption College, Becker College, Clark University, College of the Holy Cross, Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Nichols College, Quinsigamond Community College, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester State College, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

The cross-registration arrangements of the Consortium colleges permit full-time day students to take courses at other Consortium colleges. Registrants are limited to one cross-registered day course per semester. If a similar course is offered at the home institution, permission may be denied. Exceptions may be made by the Dean of Undergraduate Studies. A student registering for a Consortium course is responsible for satisfying course requirements, even though calendars and regulations may differ among Consortium institutions. Through the Consortium, students are exposed to a greater variety and flexibility in course offerings. It should be recognized that students are registered on a space-available basis. Course information can be obtained through the Office of the Registrar or on the website at http://courses.heccma.org/. All cross-registration procedures for Assumption College students should start by filling out a form online and bringing it in person to the Office of the Registrar at Assumption College. Students should determine the best mode of transportation to access cross-registered courses.
AMERICAN STUDIES SEMINAR, AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY
Each fall, the American Antiquarian Society and five Worcester colleges sponsor a research seminar at the Antiquarian Society library. The seminar is conducted by a scholar familiar with the Society’s holdings in early American history, and the seminar topic is related to his or her field of research. Selection is highly competitive. The participating students are chosen by a screening committee made up of representatives of the five participating colleges: Assumption College, Clark University, the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Worcester State College. The seminar topic and research methods combine several disciplines, and students from a wide variety of majors have participated successfully in this unique undergraduate opportunity. For further information, contact Prof. Carl Keyes, ckeyes@assumption.edu.

MARINE STUDIES CONSORTIUM
The Marine Studies Consortium (http://www.brandeis.edu/marinestudies/about.html) is an association of 18 educational and research institutions in Massachusetts dedicated to increasing understanding and stewardship of coastal and marine ecosystems. The Consortium pursues this mission through an academic program and policy-development efforts centered on protection and management of marine environments. The Consortium’s academic program offers unique learning opportunities, including Introduction to Marine Mammals and Coastal Zone Management. Other courses, such as Water Resources Management and Marine History of New England are offered nowhere else in our region at the undergraduate level. Consortium courses are taught by working professionals from research and policy centers, providing students with a real-world perspective on marine science and policy problems.

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BUSINESS
Assumption College B.A./Assumption College M.B.A.
Assumption undergraduate students are eligible for the Philosophy, Ethics, and Business 6-in-5 BA/MBA Program if they complete a classical liberal education with diversified pre-professional training. Students who complete the Philosophy Major, Pre-Business Track, and maintain a 3.0 G.P.A. earn guaranteed admission to Assumption College’s accelerated Early Career Track MBA program. Requiring several ethics-related courses and two business studies courses, the twelve-course Philosophy Major, Pre-Business Track, is tailored to address themes related to ethics, business, and economic life and can fit with most other majors as a second major. The Early Career Track MBA features an intensive Foundations in Business Program followed by a year of MBA coursework fully integrated with real-world practicums in which students work with local employers. Students earn both a BA and MBA in five years instead of the traditional six years. Those interested in the Philosophy, Ethics, and Business 6-in-5 BA/MBA Program should contact Prof. Gavin Colvert, Chair of the Department of Philosophy, at gcolvert@assumption.edu, or Prof. Jennifer Niece, Chair of the Department of Business Studies, at jniece@assumption.edu.

ENGINEERING
Assumption College/University of Notre Dame College of Engineering
Assumption College has established an agreement with the University of Notre Dame College of Engineering that allows qualified Assumption students to earn a B.A. in Chemistry, Environmental Science, Mathematics or Computer Science from Assumption College and a B.S. in one of several fields of Engineering from the University of Notre Dame.
This is a 3:2 program, which means students in this program of study spend three years at Assumption College and two years at the University of Notre Dame. The Assumption College degree will usually be Chemistry (for Chemical Engineering), Environmental Science (for Environmental Geosciences Engineering), Mathematics or Computer Science (for Computer Engineering) or Mathematics (for Aerospace, Civil, Electrical, or Mechanical Engineering). The program is designed to provide the student with a strong liberal arts education in the sciences and mathematics. At Assumption, you will be in small classes with faculty who emphasize high-quality teaching. Students who complete the program will also receive state-of-the-art engineering training at the University of Notre Dame, one of the nation’s leading engineering universities.
This program is rigorous, and it requires intensive study in science, mathematics and engineering. Students must finish a specified curriculum at Assumption, earn a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.3 or higher, and earn a grade of C or higher in all courses at Assumption. Students successfully completing this program are automatically accepted into the University of Notre Dame. Students planning to participate in this program should be ready to take Honors Calculus in their first semester at Assumption. The well-rounded education acquired in the 3:2 dual degree program in engineering, science and mathematics will make the student very competitive in the job market or for admission to graduate school. For more information about this program, contact Prof. Joseph Alfano at 508 767-7468.
EN vi ronme n t al science and Forestry Man agement

Assumption College/Duke University 3:2 Program in Environmental Science Management or Forestry Management
Students interested in pursuing a master's degree from Duke University in Environmental Science Management (MEM) or Forestry Management (MF) can complete their general education requirements, their major requirements, and their application for admission to the Duke graduate school in three years. If accepted into the Duke professional master's degree program, the student is eligible to receive his or her Assumption College undergraduate degree upon the successful completion of their first year of graduate studies at Duke University. At the end of the second year of graduate study, the student is eligible to receive the MEM or the MF from the Nicholas School at Duke University. The Duke University agreement does not guarantee that Assumption College students will be accepted into the graduate program, and admission is competitive. Students interested in this program should contact Professor Steven Theroux or Professor James Hauri early in their undergraduate career.

Hum an Services and Re habilitation Studies

Assumption College Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies B.A./Assumption College M.A. in Rehabilitation Counseling
The Department of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies has an accelerated path toward helping undergraduate students obtain a masters degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. The Six-in-Five Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counseling is open to all students at Assumption College regardless of their declared major. Undergraduate students that have completed general education requirements and the required courses in their major may begin the graduate program in Rehabilitation Counseling during their senior year. Upon completion of one additional year of graduate study (the fifth year), students will be awarded a Master of Arts Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. Students are then eligible to take the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor Examination and become nationally certified as a Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC).

Upon completion of this nationally accredited program in Rehabilitation Counseling, students have a number of professional options. Students can gain employment as a professional rehabilitation counselor in State Rehabilitation Agencies, Rehabilitation hospitals, Educational Settings, Private Settings, Insurance Based Settings, Independent Living Centers, etc. The Master's Degree will enable students to achieve professional counselor status and improved prospects for advancement into supervisory positions. Students can also use the Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling for entry into a Doctoral Program.

Students interested in the Six-in-Five Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counseling should consult with the Chair of the Department of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies no later than February 1st of their junior year at Assumption College.

Admission to the Six-in-Five Program in Rehabilitation Counseling requires a strong undergraduate record of academic success. Interested students will apply to the program by submitting a letter of application to the HSRS Chairperson and submitting 2 academic letters of reference along with a transcript. Application materials are accepted until March 1st.

Once admitted to the Six-in-Five Program in Rehabilitation Counseling, students will begin taking graduate courses during their undergraduate senior year. On-going evaluation of student progress will take place during the senior year to ensure students are successfully completing graduate level coursework. During the spring semester of the senior year students with successful achievement will make application to Assumption College’s Graduate School and be admitted as official graduate students. Financial support such as grants and scholarships are available to qualified students.

MARINE STUDIES

Assumption College/Duke University Marine Sciences Education Consortium (MSEC)
Assumption students are eligible to study at Duke University’s Marine Laboratory in Beaufort, North Carolina during the fall, spring, or summer sessions. The Duke program offers an opportunity for intensive study in marine science and marine ecology. In addition, Assumption students may participate in the MSEC’s study abroad programs which include sites in Singapore, Trinidad, Hawaii, Panama and France. While at Duke, it is possible to carry out an independent research project in collaboration with Duke faculty. It is also possible to take courses in Physics while in residence. This program should be of particular interest to Environmental Science majors and minors and to those who seek a science-intense study abroad opportunity. For more information contact Professor Steven Theroux.

Science and Health Professions

Assumption College/Northeastern University B.A./M.S in Allied Health Professions
Northeastern University will waive the application fee and the GRE requirement for qualified Assumption
College students interested in pursuing graduate degrees in pharmaceutical science, physician assistant studies, exercise physiology, school counseling, health informatics, and public health. To be eligible, students must earn a GPA of 3.2 or higher.

**Assumption College/ Northeastern University B.A./M.S. in Biotechnology.**

Northeastern University will reserve space for two qualified Assumption College students in its Master of Science in Biotechnology program. The minimum requirements to be eligible include a cumulative GPA of 3.2, satisfactory completion of the prerequisites, and a completed application. The GRE and application fee will also be waived for these students. For additional information, please see Professor Steven Theroux.

**Assumption College/New York Chiropractic College (NYCC) B.A./Doctor of Chiropractic (DC)**

There are two options at NYCC for Assumption students interested in pursuing a doctorate in chiropractic medicine, a traditional program and an accelerated program of study.

**Traditional Doctoral Program (DC)**

Five seats are available at NYCC each year for qualified Assumption students who want to enter a doctoral program in chiropractic medicine. The program requires 40 months of study beyond the B.A. For more information please see Professor Steven Theroux.

**Accelerated Doctoral Program (DC)**

Qualified Assumption students are also eligible to enter an accelerated program of study at NYCC. This course of study allows qualified students to complete a doctorate in chiropractic medicine in six years of study instead of seven. Students interested in this option should contact Professor Theroux for more information.

**Assumption College/Bridgeport University/Doctor of Chiropractic (DC)**

Bridgeport University offers eligible Assumption College students preferred admission and financial assistance. To be eligible students must complete the required prerequisite courses, earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, and a minimum GPA of 2.0 in the required prerequisite courses. For more information please see the Health Professions Advisor, Prof. Steven Theroux.

**Assumption College/Des Moines University B.A./Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.)**

Assumption College and Des Moines University School of Osteopathic Medicine have agreed to cooperate to provide an accelerated, seven-year curriculum of undergraduate and professional education leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Biology from Assumption College, and the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Des Moines University School of Osteopathic Medicine. Typically, eight years of study are required to earn a degree in Osteopathic Medicine. Students in the accelerated program finish their premedical coursework at Assumption College in three years. Upon successful completion of their first year at Des Moines University Medical School, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree in Biology from Assumption College. Admission into the medical school is not guaranteed. Interested students should meet with Professor Steven Theroux early in their first year.

**Assumption College/American University of Antigua Medical School B.A./Doctor of Allopathic Medicine (M.D.)**

Assumption College students who fulfill the terms of the agreement will be accepted at the American University of Antigua College of Medicine. The terms of the agreement include the following: the student must have a GPA of 3.25 or higher, they must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher in the prerequisite courses, they must not have an F or a D in any prerequisite course, they must earn a score of 24 or higher on the medical college admissions test (MCAT), and they must earn a favorable recommendation from the AUA admissions officer who they interview with. For more information please see the health professions advisor.

**Assumption College/Regis College BA/Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Nuclear Medicine Technology**

Regis College has reserved two seats for Assumption students who want to enter the nuclear medicine technology program. Eligible Assumption students must have a minimal GPA of 3.3, and must complete the prerequisite courses. Eligible students receive an application fee waiver, and the top two eligible candidates are also given preferred admission without the competition of the rest of the applicant pool. Prior to starting the program the accepted student must earn a BA at Assumption College. For more information, please see the Health Professions Advisor.

**Assumption College/Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)**

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide at least three seats at their Manchester, NH campus and three seats in their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a second bachelors degree in nursing. This is a 16-month
program, and to be eligible Assumption students must complete the specified prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats), earn an average GPA of 3.2 or higher in the required prerequisites, and obtain a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher. Please see the Health Professions Advisor for additional details and requirements.

Assumption College/Regis College B.A./Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.)
Regis College has reserved two seats for Assumption students who have earned a B.A., a 3.3 GPA or better in the prerequisite courses, and have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.3. Through this program qualified students are eligible for an application fee waiver, a GRE waiver, a 7.5-hour graduate assistantship (which offers at least $2,500 in tuition remission) and preferred admission. Students in the program will earn both the bachelor of science in nursing and upon completion of the program a master of science in nursing. Please see the Health Professions Advisor for additional details and requirements.

Assumption College/ Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Doctor of Optometry (O.D.)
The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide five seats at their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a Doctorate in Optometry. This is a four-year program, and to be eligible Assumption students must complete the prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.2 in the required prerequisites, an overall GPA of 3.2, and they must pass an interview at MCPHS. Please see the Health Professions Advisor, Professor Steven Theroux, for more information.

Assumption College/New England College of Optometry B.A./Doctor of Optometry (O.D.)
Assumption College and the New England School of Optometry have agreed to cooperate in providing an accelerated, seven-year curriculum of undergraduate and professional education leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a Major in Biology from Assumption College and the Doctor of Optometry degree from the New England College of Optometry. The program consists of a three-year curriculum at Assumption College followed by a four-year curriculum in optometry at the New England School of Optometry. Upon successful completion of their first year at the New College of Optometry, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the School of Optometry is not guaranteed. For more information about this program, please contact Professor Steven Theroux.

Assumption College/Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)
The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide two seats at their Manchester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to enter an accelerated doctoral program in pharmacy. To qualify for admission into this 34-month program of study, Assumption students must complete the required prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.4 or higher in the required prerequisites and an overall GPA of at least 3.4. Please see the Health Professions Advisor for additional details and requirements.

Assumption College/Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide at least one seat at their Manchester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies. This is a 32-month program, and to be eligible Assumption students must complete the prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.4 or higher in the required prerequisites and an overall GPA of at least 3.4, and they must pass an interview at MCPHS. Please see the Health Professions Advisor for additional details and requirements.

Assumption College/Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (M.S.P.A.S.)
The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide at least one seat at their Manchester, MA campus and one seat at their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies. This is a 24-month program, and to be eligible Assumption students must complete the prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.4 or higher in the required prerequisites and an overall GPA of at least 3.4, and they must pass an interview at MCPHS. Please see the Health Professions Advisor for additional details and requirements.

Assumption College/Barry University B.A./Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M.)
Assumption College and Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine have agreed to cooperate in providing an accelerated, seven-year curriculum of undergraduate and professional education leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Biology from Assumption College and the Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree from Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine. Upon successful completion of their first year at Barry University College of Podiatric Medicine, individuals in this program are eligible to
graduate with a bachelor’s degree from Assumption College. Admission into the School of Podiatric Medicine is not guaranteed. For more information, please contact Professor Steven Theroux.

OTHER PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS OF STUDY

PREPARATION FOR STUDY IN ONE OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Students interested in studying one of the health professions (e.g., medicine, dentistry, nursing, optometry, physical therapy, pharmacy, nuclear medicine, etc.) can major in one of the sciences or they can choose one of a variety of non-science majors. However, in order to be considered for admission to a graduate program in the health sciences, the student must complete the prerequisite coursework specified by their program of interest.

The Assumption College health professions advisor and the faculty of the natural science department assist the student in planning an appropriate course of study. The College also has a Health Professions Committee that can provide students with a letter of recommendation from the Natural Science Department. Through the Natural Sciences Club, the student may have the opportunity to meet members of the health professions. Many students interested in one of the health professions complete an internship in one or more areas related to their specific interests.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAM

The Health Professions Program is designed to help students enter graduate school in one of the health professions. The program focuses on preparing the student to earn good grades and strong scores on the admissions test and graduate school interview. Those who complete the program requirements will have the fact that they did so stated on their transcript.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete the required coursework with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better and a GPA of 3.0 or better in one of the appropriate majors.
   a. Appropriate majors are: Biology, Biology with a Concentration in Neuroscience and Behavior, Biotechnology and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, Psychology with a Concentration in Brain, Cognition and Behavior, or Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies.
   b. Complete the course “Social, Economic and Ethical Issues in the Health Professions”.
2. Submit a statement indicating that the prerequisite courses required for admission to a particular health professions graduate program were successfully completed.
3. Present evidence from Kaplan that he or she successfully completed a Kaplan Test Preparation Course (e.g., MCAT, DAT, OAT, VCAT, PCAT, GRE, etc.).
4. Present evidence that he or she took a graduate admissions test (e.g., MCAT, DAT, GRE, etc.) and scored in the top 50% of those taking the test in that year.

For additional information contact Professor Steven Theroux.

POST-BACCALAUREATE PRE-HEALTH SCIENCES PROGRAM

Assumption offers a post-baccalaureate certificate program in the pre-health sciences for students that need to complete additional science coursework prior to applying to a graduate program in one of the health sciences. Students in the program work with the health professions advisor, Professor Steven Theroux, and design a course of study. Applicants should have a B.A. or B.S. from an accredited institution and an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher. An application for the program can be obtained by calling 508.767.7545, and completed applications are due on February 1.

POST-BACCALAUREATE PRE-THEOLOGY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN PHILOSOPHY

The post-baccalaureate Pre-Theology Certificate Program consists of two components: (1) the first is a course of study, principally in Philosophy, intended for men discerning the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood after their college years; (2) the second is a course of study, principally in Theology, for men seeking admission to the Assumptionist Congregation. If a candidate is judged to have completed the first course of study elsewhere, he may proceed directly to the second component of the program under the supervision of the appropriate department Chair and Assumptionist mentor.

The first component recognizes the importance of solid philosophical training in the serious study of theology. A two-semester course in Philosophy and Theology anchors the curriculum. In addition, students complete five one-semester courses that introduce the chief areas of philosophical investigation and the history of philosophy and at least three electives chosen from a group of upper-level courses in Philosophy, Theology, Political Philosophy, and other approved areas. Each student will be provided with individual guidance by a member of the Philosophy Department. For further information contact the Chairperson of the Department of Philosophy, Gavin Colvert, at gcolvert@assumption.edu

The second component offers a course of study, principally in Theology, designed to satisfy the requirements established by the Assumptionist Congregation. Students may pursue up
to 48 additional credits in courses offered as independent studies on topics such as Assumptionist and Augustinian Spiritual Thought, The Theology of Prayer, Sacraments and Worship, History of the Church in 19th Century France, The Theology of Religious Life, The History of the Assumptionists, Journal Writing, etc. Students may pursue courses from this component simultaneously with the first component. Each student will be provided with the individual guidance of an Assumptionist and a member of the Theology Department and will submit any directed study courses for approval to the Chair of the Theology Department and the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

AIR FORCE AND ARMY RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)

Assumption College students may participate in the Air Force or Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Qualified U.S. citizens who earn their degree from Assumption College and satisfactorily complete the ROTC program requirements will be commissioned as second lieutenants. Air Force ROTC offers a four-year and two-year program for qualified individuals to earn their commission, two- and three-year scholarship opportunities are also available to qualified individuals in specific areas of academic study. Army ROTC offers a four, three and two-year program for qualified individuals to earn their commission, two-, three- and four-year scholarships are also available to qualified individuals. For more details on either program, write to the Department of Aerospace Studies (Air Force) or Department of Military Services (Army), 100 Institute Road, Worcester MA 01609, call them at 508-831-5747 (Air Force), or 508-831-5268 (Army) or email them at airforce@wpi.edu or armyrotc@wpi.edu.

HISTORY

Assumption College/Regis College/ Master of Arts in Heritage Studies

This partnership is available for students from all majors. Assumption students receive preferred admission, and may receive up to two courses of graduate credit for classes completed at Assumption College. The GRE and application fee will also be waived for qualified Assumption students. Examples of qualifying courses for Master of Arts credit include, the American Studies Seminar, Vocations in Public History, and Women of the World. Students have the option to complete the remaining eight courses for the MA in one year. Students must maintain a 3.0, or higher, GPA, and submit a completed application to be considered for the program. Contact Professor Deborah Kisatsky (dkisatsk@assumption.edu) or Carl Keyes (ckeyes@assumption.edu) for additional details and requirements.

PRE-LAW PROGRAM

The study and practice of the law has always attracted ambitious, civic spirited and intellectually serious students. And for good reason: lawyers are important. Indeed, Alexis de Tocqueville, that great student of democracy in America, thought that lawyers were so critical to our political and cultural health that he questioned “whether democratic institutions could be long maintained” without the special knowledge, habits of mind, and unique methods that a serious study of the law affords our fellow citizens. To prepare students interested in law school to meet the many intellectual and ethical challenges of the legal profession, the Pre-Law Program at Assumption College combines the school’s commitment to a strong liberal education with the personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities necessary for success in law school.

The faculty advisors in the Pre-Law Program encourage students interested in law school to seek their services early in the students’ academic careers. Our advisors help students from all majors identify both law schools and areas within the law that best fit the interests and competencies of the students. They also help the students tailor their academic programs in a manner suitable to their particular circumstances and abilities. Such an approach gives the individual student the freedom to choose the course of study that suits his or her interests. It is also consistent with the expectations of the American Bar Association and law school admissions officers who agree that no single curricular path prepares students for law school better than any other. In other words, the best preparation for law school is a field of study about which students are genuinely enthused and in which they can therefore excel. Not surprisingly, several majors at the College, such as English, History, Natural Science, Philosophy, Political Science and Sociology, among others, successfully matriculate students to law school.

In addition to academic advising, Pre-Law advisors hold informational meetings for students, arrange meetings with Assumption College alumni who are in law school or in the legal profession, sponsor legal internships, and organize professional development opportunities. Above all they aid students in their preparation for the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) while guiding them through the law school application process. Assumption graduates have gone on to matriculate at such law schools as Boston College, Brooklyn College of Law, Catholic University of America’s Columbus School of Law, Florida State University, New England School of Law, the University of Notre Dame, and Suffolk
University School of Law, and have continued to succeed in the profession.

For more information contact the Coordinator of the Pre-Law Program, Professor Bernard J. Dobski (bdobski@assumption.edu) or one of our other Pre-Law Advisors: Professors Molly B. Flynn (mflynn@assumption.edu) and Gregory S. Weiner (gs.weiner@assumption.edu).

**LAW SCHOOL ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS**

**Assumption College/ Duquesne University School of Law B.A./J.D.**

Assumption College and Duquesne University School of Law offer an accelerated program of study that allows qualified students to earn a bachelor’s degree from Assumption College and a law degree from Duquesne University in six years. Typically seven years of study are required to earn these degrees.

In order to be eligible for admission into this accelerated program, students must complete the requirements of their major and the General Education Requirements of Assumption College in their first three years of study. Upon successful completion of their first year of law school at Duquesne, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the law school is not guaranteed. For more information about this program, contact Prof. Bernard J. Dobski or Prof. Steven Theroux.

**Assumption College/ Western New England College School of Law B.A./J.D.**

Assumption College and the Western New England College School of Law offer an accelerated program of study that allows qualified students to earn a bachelor's degree from Assumption College and a law degree from Western New England College School of Law in six years. Typically seven years of study are required to earn these degrees.

In order to be eligible for admission into this accelerated program, students must complete the requirements of their major and the General Education Requirements of Assumption College in their first three years of study. Upon successful completion of their first year of law school at Western New England College School of Law, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the law school is not guaranteed. For more information about this program, contact Prof. Bernard J. Dobski or Prof. Steven Theroux.

**Assumption College/Vermont Law School B.A./J.D.**

The Vermont Law School has an exceptionally strong program in Environmental Law, and it has consistently been ranked among the top one or two programs in the country by US News and World Report. Students interested in pursuing a J.D. in Environmental Law may wish to consider this program. The Vermont College of Law also prepares students for the practice of other areas of law, so admission to this institution is not limited to those interested in Environmental Law. Admission into the law school is not guaranteed.

Students eligible for admission to the law school through this agreement must complete the requirements for a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. The applicant must also complete a minimum of 60 credits towards the bachelor's degree in residence at Assumption College with a GPA that is equal to or exceeds the average GPA of the first year JD class in residence at Vermont Law School at the time of the student's application. In addition, students eligible for admission through this agreement must have a current LSAT score that is equal to or exceeds the average LSAT score of the first-year JD class in residence at the time of the student's application. For information about additional requirements please contact Professor Theroux or Professor Dobski.

**HONOR SOCIETIES**

Assumption College is home to chapters of twelve national honor societies. Membership in these disciplinary societies marks high achievement in a student's chosen field of study.

- **Alpha Kappa Delta**—Founded in 1920, Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD) is an international honor society in sociology that recognizes outstanding academic achievement in the discipline. To be eligible for membership, students must be a junior or senior; have an overall GPA of at least 3.0; have taken at least four courses in sociology, with an average GPA of 3.0 or higher in those four courses; and rank in the top 35 percent of their class. In addition to providing opportunities for students to submit papers and to receive funding for travel to regional sociological meetings, membership in AKD confers a two-step boost in pay grade for civil service employees.

- **Delta Epsilon Sigma**—A national scholastic honor society for students, faculty, and alumni of colleges and universities with a Catholic tradition. The Gamma beta chapter at Assumption College was initiated in 1956 and has now been reactivated. The purpose of Delta Epsilon Sigma is to recognize academic accomplishments, to foster scholarly activities, and to encourage a sense of intellectual community among its members.

- **Eta Sigma Phi**—A national honor collegiate society for students of Latin and/or Greek.

- **Kappa Mu Epsilon**—A national honor society that provides a means for the recognition of outstanding achievement in the study of Mathematics at the undergraduate level.
• **Omicron Delta Epsilon**—An international honor society in Economics that provides recognition for outstanding scholastic achievement in Economics. To be eligible for membership, a student must be a Junior or Senior with at least 12 hours of Economics. The student’s average both in Economics and overall must be at least a B. Members will receive a subscription to The American Economist, a journal published by ODE. Potential opportunities for members include participation in annual conferences and publication of scholarly papers in The American Economist.

• **Omicron Delta Kappa**—A national leadership honor society which brings together students (Juniors, Seniors, and Graduate students), faculty, staff, and administration by recognizing past leadership and academic achievement. This organization goes beyond mere recognition; it inspires continued campus and community involvement. ODK recognizes achievement in five major areas of campus commitment: 1) scholarship; 2) athletics; 3) campus or community service, social and religious activities, and campus governance; 4) journalism, speech, and the mass media; and 5) the creative and performing arts. On Sunday, May 10, 1998, the Circle at Assumption College became the first and only one recognized in Massachusetts.

• **Phi Alpha Theta**—An international honor society in History that provides recognition for outstanding achievement in the study of history. Membership also provides opportunities for participation in a variety of co-curricular activities related to historical studies.

• **Pi Delta Phi**—A national honor society that provides recognition for distinction and achievement in the study of the French language, literature, and culture. Members are inducted in a special ceremony each spring.

• **Phi Sigma Tau**—An international honor society in philosophy for students, faculty, and alumni that recognizes outstanding achievement in philosophy, promotes academic research and publication, and encourages philosophical friendship and professional cooperation. Phi Sigma Tau publishes an official journal, Dialogue, with original articles in philosophy from undergraduate and graduate students.

• ** Psi Chi**—A national honor society that provides recognition for students with high levels of academic achievement and an interest in psychology. Students’ averages must be above 3.0 both overall and within psychology courses and the student must be in the upper 35% of their class. Additionally, students must have taken at least three courses in psychology and have completed at least three semesters worth of college credit. Finally, students must have shown a direct interest in psychology as demonstrated through participation in the Psychology Club. Members of Psi Chi have access to a whole range of opportunities, ranging from national conferences to research grants to a subscription to the journal Eye on Psi Chi.

• **Sigma Delta Pi**—A national collegiate Hispanic honor society to honor those who seek and achieve excellence in the study of the Spanish language and in the study of the literature and culture of the Spanish-speaking peoples. To be eligible for membership, students’ averages must be 3.0 or above in Spanish courses. They must rank in the upper 35% of their class. They must have completed at least three semesters’ worth of college credit and have taken at least one third-year course in Hispanic literature and/or civilization. Members of Sigma Delta Pi have access to scholarship opportunities, participation in conferences, and publication in the journal Entre Nosotros.

• **Sigma Tau Delta**—An international honor society for English majors that confers distinction for high achievement in language and literature.
Professors: Michelle Graveline, Rev. Donat Lamothe, A.A.; Associate Professors: Carrie Nixon, Toby Norris (Chairperson) Assistant Professors: Heidi Gearhart, Scott Glushien; Visiting Assistant Professors: Peter Clemente, Thomas Grady, Lynn Simmons; Lecturers: Elissa Chase, Kathryn Egnaczak, Bruce Hopkins, David Jost, Gary Orlinsky, Victor Paceko, Michelle Italiano Perla, Peter Sulski, Tyler Vance.

MISSION STATEMENT
The department aims to give students an understanding of the importance of rigorous practical and intellectual formation in stimulating creative thought and achieving creative expression. We also strive to help students appreciate Art, Music and Theatre as significant dimensions of the human experience. Studying the history of the arts brings home the central role that they have played in the development of human thought, both within and outside the Judeo-Christian tradition. Practicing the arts encourages students to incorporate creative expression into their wider intellectual and personal development. In forming the human being more completely, the department fulfills a fundamental goal of Catholic education.

MAJOR IN ART HISTORY (11)
The Major in Art History aims to educate qualified, promising students in various aspects of Art History. Students may select from a range of course offerings to fulfill their personal and professional interests. The program culminates in a semester-long independent research project and presentation. The major in Art History consists of eleven courses:

- ARH 122 History of Western Art I
- ARH 123 History of Western Art II
- Six (6) additional Art History courses, at least two of which are 300-level or above.
- Including one each from the following four areas: Ancient-Medieval, Renaissance-Baroque, 18th Century-Modern, and Non-Western Art.
- ARH 400 Senior Art History Seminar: Research Project and Presentation
- ART 101 Drawing I
- One additional studio art course
- ARH 122 or 123: History of Western Art I or II
- One other Art History (ARH) course

MAJOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN (14)
The major in Graphic Design is a fourteen course major with twelve required courses and two electives. The main goal of the major is to educate students to effectively communicate visually by combining form, content, and information, and to prepare students for entry into the professional field as a graphic designer, and/or continue their education in graduate school. Students in the major will develop a strong base in typography, web design, photography, drawing, illustration, and marketing. Students will also broaden their ability to think critically and creatively, and will have a thorough knowledge of the latest design software and technology. With these skills the graphic design major will be able to effectively research, conceptualize and communicate varied solutions to any design problems they will encounter. The major in Graphic Design consists of fourteen courses:

- ART 101: Drawing I
- ARD 175: Photography I
- ARH 225: Meaning of Modern Art or ARH 229 Art Since 1945
- ARD 216: Illustration
- ARD 217: Typography
- ARD 318: Graphic Design for the Web
- ARD 300: Internship Studio
- ARD 317: Motion Graphic Design
- ARD 401: Senior Seminar
- ARD 115: Graphic Design I. Form & Content
- ARD 215: Graphic Design II: Meaning & Messaging
- ARD 315: Graphic Design III: Advanced Strategies
- 2 Electives from:
  - ART 106: Sculpture I
  - ART 111: Painting I
  - ART 201: Drawing II
  - ARD 275: Digital Photography II
  - MKT 101: Principles of Marketing
  - MKT 310: Advertising
  - ENG 219: Introduction to Media Analysis
  - CSC 170: Desk Top Publishing

MAJOR IN STUDIO ART (11)
The Major in Studio Art aims to educate qualified, promising students in various aspects of creative activity. Studio Art students may concentrate in either drawing or painting. Students are expected to develop a personal direction that culminates in a professional exhibition of their work in conjunction with the senior seminar.

- ART 101: Drawing I
- ART 106: Sculpture I or 107: Collage & Assemblage
- ART 111: Painting I
- ART 201: Drawing II
- ART 211: Painting II
- ART 301 Drawing III or 311 Painting III
- ART 401: Senior Seminar
- ARD 115: Design I: Form & Content
- One further course in Studio Art (ART) or in Graphic Design (ARD)

- ARH 122 or 123: History of Western Art I or II
- One other Art History (ARH) course
EDUCATION CONCENTRATION IN VISUAL ARTS
Assumption College offers a state-approved teacher preparation program for students interested in teaching visual arts in grades PreK–8 or 5–12. The major in Visual Arts provides students with course work that directly addresses the subject matter knowledge requirements for teacher licensure by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Students who are interested in teaching art at the elementary or secondary level should meet with the Education Program Coordinator early in their academic career for information about applying to the Education Concentration and for specific information on the subject matter requirements for visual arts licensure.

MAJOR IN MUSIC (11)
The Major in Music covers the areas of Music Theory, Music History, and Performance with the opportunity for development of individual performance skills. Studies develop musicianship, competency in the principles and procedures that lead to an intellectual grasp of the art, and the ability to perform.

The Major in Music consists of 11 courses. The requirements include the following:

- MUS 122 History of Music I
- MUS 124 History of Music II
- MUS 201 Music Theory I
- MUS 301 Music Theory II
- MUS 401 Music Theory III
- MUS 330 Conducting
- MUS 193 Chorale or MUS 195 Band or MUS 196 Jazz Ensemble or MUS 197 String Camerata
- Three additional courses from among department offerings (not to include MUS101 Fundamentals of Music or MUS120 Introduction to the Study of Music). Applied music instruction in Voice or an instrument may be counted toward the Major.

Three semesters at 1 credit per semester are required to count as one course.

MAJOR IN MUSIC WITH A CONCENTRATION IN LITURGICAL MUSIC
The concentration in liturgical music prepares students to serve as music ministers in churches and similar venues. The curriculum provides students with a comprehensive foundation in music theory, music history, conducting, and aural skills, along with an emphasis in either vocal or keyboard training.

The Major in Music with a concentration in Liturgical Music consists of a minimum of 45 credit hours. The requirements include:

Music Theory
- MUS 201 Music Theory I
- MUS 210 Aural Skills II (1 credit)

Music History
- MUS 122 History of Music I
- MUS 124 History of Music II
- MUS 229 Music and Worship

Conducting
- MUS 330 Conducting

Applied Music
- MUS 141 Applied Vocal Instruction (3 semesters)
- MUS 151 Applied Piano Instruction (3 semesters)
- MUS 193 Chorale (3 semesters)

Chapel Choir
- Chapel Choir (four semesters no credit)

Theology & Music
- THE 391 Theology of Liturgy

Art History
- ARH 222 Medieval Art and Architecture or ARH 223 Renaissance Art and Architecture or ARH 350 Special Topics (when the topic is suitable)

MINORS IN THE DEPARTMENT
A student may elect to pursue a minor in Art History, Studio Art, Graphic Design, or Music. These minors are meant to harmonize with a program of study in the liberal arts, while providing the possibility for concentrated work in one of these areas.

MINOR IN ART HISTORY (6)
- ART 101 Drawing I or ARD 115 Graphic Design I
- ARH 122 History of Western Art I
- ARH 123 History of Western Art II
- Two other upper-level courses from among Art History offerings
- ARH 400 Senior Art History Seminar

MINOR IN STUDIO ART (6)
ART 101 Drawing I
ART 201 Drawing II
ART 111 Painting I
ART 211 Painting II
ARH 122 or ARH 123 History of Western Art I or II
ART 401 Senior Studio Art Seminar or One further 300-level studio art course

MINOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN (7)
ART 101 Drawing I
ARD 175 Photography I
ARH 225 Meaning of Modern Art or ARH 229 Art Since 1945
ARD 217 Typography
ARD 115 Graphic Design I: Form & Content
ARD 215 Graphic Design II: Meaning & Messaging
ARD 315 Graphic Design III: Advanced Strategies

MINOR IN MUSIC (6)
MUS 122 History of Music I
MUS 124 History of Music II
MUS 201 Music Theory I
MUS 193 Chorale or MUS 195 Band or MUS 196 Jazz Ensemble or MUS 197 String Camerata (3 semesters)
Two additional courses from among department offerings (not to include MUS101 Fundamentals of Music or MUS 120 Introduction to the Study of Music). Applied music instruction in Voice or an instrument may be counted toward the Minor. Three semesters at 1 credit per semester are required to count as 1 course.

MINOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN (7)
ART 101 Drawing I
ARD 175 Photography I
ARH 225 Meaning of Modern Art or ARH 229 Art Since 1945
ARD 217 Typography
ARD 115 Graphic Design I: Form & Content
ARD 215 Graphic Design II: Meaning & Messaging
ARD 315 Graphic Design III: Advanced Strategies

MINOR IN MUSIC (6)
MUS 122 History of Music I
MUS 124 History of Music II
MUS 201 Music Theory I
MUS 193 Chorale or MUS 195 Band or MUS 196 Jazz Ensemble or MUS 197 String Camerata (3 semesters)
Two additional courses from among department offerings (not to include MUS101 Fundamentals of Music or MUS 120 Introduction to the Study of Music). Applied music instruction in Voice or an instrument may be counted toward the Minor. Three semesters at 1 credit per semester are required to count as 1 course.

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW
The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under "Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

STUDIO ART (ART)

ART 101 DRAWING I
This introductory course will focus on learning to see and learning to translate what is seen into two dimensions. Learning to see often requires overriding what the brain knows and learning to trust one's growing skill at visual response. Translating visual information to the page involves developing skill with line, shape, space, form, and composition. The intent is to develop a broad visual vocabulary which allows communication of the subject matter with sensitivity in charcoal, pencil, ink, and collage. This involves working from life, including the figure, and using images to clarify and enrich what we do through references to art history. Students will be responsible for purchasing a supply kit and a Studio Fee of $40.00. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Nixon, Grady/Vance/Three credits

ART 106 SCULPTURE I
This course is an introduction to the concepts and the forms of three-dimensional design. It is based upon the recognition that the origins of and inspiration for much of design stems from nature. Projects will start with an idea, and then the appropriate medium will suggest itself. Students will be responsible for purchasing a supply kit and a Studio Fee of $40.00. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Orlinsky/Three credits

ART 107 COLLAGE AND ASSEMBLAGE
This course is an examination of collage and assemblage—art made from the found and collected debris of the contemporary world. Questions of memory, history, fragmentation, ecology, and language will be explored in the making of collages from found, recycled, and constructed images and objects. These things that resonate with the past might suggest a collective memory for humanity, but one that is hazy at best. We will consider the public culture of mass produced objects and the autobiographical symbolism of private mementos, as we raise questions about memory, history, recycling, and reuse in relationship to material culture. These issues will be addressed in the making of collages from recovered, recycled, and constructed images and objects and in class discussions. In addition to studio work, assignments include readings, films, and in-class presentations. Studio Fee: $75.00. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Orlinsky/Three credits
ART 111  PAINTING I  
This course is an intensive introductory investigation of basic painting problems. Using oil paint, students will thoroughly examine questions of composition, and space, issues of light and color, and exploration of technical issues. In weekly in-studio and outside of class assignments, students will also consider both contemporary and historical approaches to painting. Prerequisite: ART 101 or permission of the instructor. Students will be responsible for purchasing a supply kit and a Studio Fee of $75.00. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Nixon, Grady / Three credits

ART 201  DRAWING II  
The course will concentrate on the drawing as an object and on the physical activity involved in making it an expressive phenomenon. Students will explore a variety of materials, ideas, formal issues, and art history, as well as natural phenomena as sources for inspiration. Work with the human figure will emphasize context and environment, and encourage the student to develop more personal attitudes toward content. Studio Fee: $40. Prerequisite: ART 101.
Nixon, Grady / Three credits

ART 206  SCULPTURE II  
This course is an examination of the art of assemblage: the current practice in sculpture in which collaged objects are made from debris of the contemporary world. Questions of memory, history, fragmentation, association, ecology, and language will be explored through the making of Assemblages from found, recycled, harvested, and created images and objects. Studio work will be supplemented by art historical presentations, museum visits, and readings. Studio Fee: $60. Prerequisite: ART 101, ART 106, ART 111 or ART 115.
Orlinsky / Three credits

ART 211  PAINTING II  
A continuation of ART 111, this course will deal with both figurative and nonfigurative approaches to painting. Depending upon the instructor’s preference, students will work with the figure, the landscape, still life, or a combination of the three. Students will be directed in more advanced painting problems using varied techniques and conceptual frameworks. Studio Fee: $75. Prerequisite: ART 101, ART 111.
Nixon, Grady / Three credits

ART 299, 399 OR 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN STUDIO ART  
Each of these numbers designates a specific level of specialized study on a relevant topic that has been designed by the student in conjunction with a faculty member of art history or studio art. Permission of Chair required. 
Staff / Three credits

ART 300  INTERNSHIP IN STUDIO ART  
This upper level, field-based course is designed for juniors and seniors to explore and develop professional opportunities and apply concepts and skills learned in their coursework in studio art. Permission of Chair required.
Staff / Three credits

ART 301  DRAWING III  
This course will focus on the issue of personal expression in drawing. It will include a reevaluation of the elements of drawing from that point of view. Working problems will take into consideration the individual’s inclinations as he/she begins to formulate his/her own rationale for making art. Specific artists will be studied with a focus on the nature of the expression in their work. Studio Fee: $40. Prerequisite: ART 101 and ART 201, or permission of the instructor. Studio Fee: $75.
Nixon, Grady / Three credits

ART 311  PAINTING III  
This course explores advanced problems in painting. Students will be directed in a more in-depth examination of the extensive possibilities of the oil painting medium. Both abstract and figurative approaches will be explored. Emphasis is on thematic self-direction and group critiques. The focus of the course shifts annually to reflect the perspective of the faculty teaching it. Prerequisite: ART 111 and ART 211, or permission of the instructor. Studio Fee: $75.
Nixon, Grady / Three credits

ART 351  SPECIAL TOPICS IN STUDIO ART  
Special topics in studio art are offered occasionally. These courses respond to special interests evidenced by students, outgrowths of topics addressed in an intermediate course, or interests of the faculty.
Staff / Three credits

ART 401  SENIOR ART STUDIO SEMINAR  
The seminar is devoted to an advanced project in Studio Art as a culmination of a program of study for the Major or Minor in Studio Art. This project is completed by an exhibition of student work mounted in the spring. Students are responsible for materials related to their senior project and a Studio Fee of $75.00.
Grady / Three credits

GRAPHIC DESIGN (ARD)  

ARD 115  GRAPHIC DESIGN I: FORM & CONTENT  
This course will offer an introduction to graphic design, and visual communication. Students will be introduced to the elements and principles of design as well as critical analysis and visual problem solving skills. The interrelationship between visual and verbal communication will be explored along with the study of typography. The computer application Adobe Illustrator will be used as a tool for design in this course. A working knowledge of basic Macintosh computer skills will be helpful but not necessary. Studio Fee: $115.00. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Staff / Three credits
ARD 175  INTRODUCTION TO DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY
This project-based studio course serves as an introduction to digital photography as it applies to the fine arts. Students will explore technical and aesthetic foundations of photography through the latest digital technology. Digital cameras, scanning, and image manipulation software will be covered as well as an examination of the history of photography and its role as a form of artistic expression. We will also read and discuss critical issues in photography and the history of photography. Students will be responsible for purchasing specialized paper and a Studio Fee of $175.00. This course does NOT satisfy the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre. Glushien/Three credits

ARD 215  GRAPHIC DESIGN II: MEANING & MESSAGING
This class offers a continuation of the study of graphic design with computers. Students will further explore the use of typographic symbols as a crucial element to design. Design history and critical issues in design will be explored. Students will work in a series of projects that emphasize visual expression, composition, and problem solving. The computer application Adobe Illustrator will be used. Adobe InDesign will be introduced. Studio Fee: $100. Prerequisite: ARD 115. Glushien, Simmons / Three credits

ARD 216  ILLUSTRATION
This class is an overview of basic illustration techniques geared to the needs of the graphic designer. Assigned projects will cover the use of pen and ink, acrylic paint and the digital media programs Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator. The class will focus on pictorial communication and exposure to various genres of illustration. Strong design from conceptualization through execution is stressed. Studio Fee $50.00. Prerequisite: ART 101 Drawing I. Grady/Three credits

ARD 217  TYPEGRAPHY
This course covers principles of typeface selection and the use of typographical grids as well as families of type and historical usage. Typographical assignments are presented through themed projects. A variety of basic layouts and formats is introduced. Exercises are geared to develop sensitivity to the integration of typography with a variety of visual imagery. There is an emphasis on concept development and on the cultural associations of various typefaces. Students will be encouraged to integrate ideas and interests from other areas of study in their exploration of the expressive possibilities of type. Prerequisite: ARD 115. Simmons/Three credits

ARD 275  DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY II
This course is a continuation of the study of digital photography as it applies to the fine arts. Students will gain a solid, working knowledge of the process and context of photography in the fine art world. This is a studio course in which we will expand our expertise with Adobe Photoshop, advanced camera functions and sophisticated printing techniques. However, the main focus will be on the content and meaning of our photographs. Classes will consist of demonstrations, discussion of readings, printing, lectures, and weekly critiques. We will be creating an increasingly complex visual language through emotional and physical concentration and open-minded observation. Our photographs will not simply focus on appearances—they will become expressions and metaphors of life itself. Students will be responsible for purchasing specialized paper and a Studio Fee of $175.00. Prerequisite: ARD 175. Glushien/Three credits

ARD 299, 399, 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN GRAPHIC DESIGN
Each of these numbers designates a specific level of specialized study on a relevant topic that has been designed by the student in conjunction with a faculty member. Permission of Chair required. Staff/Three credits

ARD 300  INTERNSHIP IN GRAPHIC DESIGN
This upper level, field-based course is designed for juniors and seniors to explore and develop professional opportunities and apply concepts and skills learned in their coursework in graphic design. Staff/Three credits

ARD 315  GRAPHIC DESIGN III: ADVANCED STRATEGIES
Each student will develop a visual vocabulary through assigned readings, class discussion, projects, and through experimentation. This will set the groundwork that reinforces one’s critical, analytical, and perceptual skills. This course will present students with a variety of complex design problems. Students will apply their growing knowledge of the interaction between typography and other visual forms to these specific problems. Research and methodology are vital components of this course and of design in general, and their importance will be stressed. Students will undertake a variety of design projects, as well as a class presentation on a designer of historical importance. Studio Fee $100.00. Prerequisite: ARD 215. Staff/Three credits

ARD 317  MOTION GRAPHIC DESIGN
Visual design and technical strategies will be developed to effectively work with moving type and images in a timeline, from storyboards through production to distribution. The history of moving images and motion graphic design will be introduced to support contemporary theories and practices. Working with time—based, sequential processes will increase visual communication strategies and conceptual abilities, while developing skills needed to convey information as successfully as possible. Being able to create animated graphics, kinetic typography, and video
projects, as well as work with sound, will help students to better prepare for an ever-expanding graphic design field. Adobe Photoshop, Adobe After Effects, and Final Cut Pro will be used. Prerequisites: ARD 215 and ARD 217.

Simmons/Three credits

ARD 318 GRAPHIC DESIGN FOR THE WEB
This course introduces students to graphic design for website creation. Students will learn to think critically about web design and apply basic conceptual design principles to website development. The focus of the course will be applying design elements such as color, typography, layout, the grid and hierarchal design, to the technological aspect of web design. While the aesthetics of web design will be of primary importance, the technological process will also be studied. Students will learn the latest web languages such as html5, css, and JavaScript, develop concepts for web sites, and follow a design process in realizing them. Research and methodology are vital components of this course. Each student will develop two website design projects, as well as a number of smaller design projects. One of these projects will cover embedding animation, movies, and sound into a web site. At the end of this course students will have a working knowledge of web design, and will be able to build and host a site of their own.

Italiano Perla/Three credits

ARD 352 SPECIAL TOPICS IN GRAPHIC DESIGN
Special topics in graphic design are offered occasionally. These courses respond to special interests evidenced by students, outgrowths of topics addressed in an intermediate course, or interests of the faculty.

Staff/Three credits

ARD 401 SENIOR SEMINAR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN
The seminar is devoted to an advanced project in Graphic Design as a culmination of a program of study for the major in Graphic Design. This project is completed by an exhibition of student work mounted in the spring. Students are responsible for materials related to their senior project and a Studio Fee of $75.00.

Grady/Three credits

ART HISTORY (ARH)

ARH 122 HISTORY OF WESTERN ART I
A survey of the development of Western art from Prehistoric times to the end of the Middle Ages. A broad historical and stylistic approach frames the course, but the students will learn a select number of works in closer detail. This course acquaints the students through lectures, discussions, and visits to local collections with the tools to decode visual images from the past and present. Close studies acquaint the students with the elements of visual language and help them to develop critical skills which can be used to further their understanding of the visual arts. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.

Staff/Three credits

ARH 123 HISTORY OF WESTERN ART II
The class will survey the development of Western art from the 14th to the 21st century. Through lectures and discussion in class, we will consider the ways in which artistic change is linked to political and social developments in each period. At the same time, by looking closely at individual works of art—both in class and on a visit to the Worcester Art Museum—we will learn how to analyze and decode visual images from the past and present. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.

Staff/Three credits

ARH 130 INTRODUCTION TO ARCHITECTURE
An introduction to the principles, methods, and meaning of architecture. Students will reflect on the nature of architecture (as well as city planning and landscape architecture) to acquire a method for the study of architecture by a close analysis of selected major works in the art form: the Parthenon, Hagia Sophia, St. Peter’s (Rome), University of Virginia (Charlottesville), the city of Brasilia, the Seagram Building (New York City), and others. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.

Staff/Three credits

ARH 150–151FH FOUNDATIONS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION: ART AND POLITICS
A two-semester interdisciplinary course in politics and art. The two semesters concentrate on the study of the worlds of politics and art in multiple periods of Western Civilization. The first semester studies Ancient Greece through the Renaissance. The second semester studies Modern Europe through 21st-century Europe and the United States. Both semesters emphasize the reading and interpretation of texts about the major political and artistic principles in each historical period as well as the viewing and analysis of major artistic works. Students earn three credits in Politics and three credits in Art. (Same as POL 150–151.) This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.

Norris, Gearhart/Three credits each semester

ARH 221 ANCIENT ART
This course examines the art and architecture of the ancient world, beginning with the prehistoric cultures of the Aegean (c. 3000–1200 B.C.) and concluding with Constantine the Great’s recognition of Christianity in the 4th century A.D. Greek, Etruscan, and Roman art will be placed in historical context through a study of not only the monuments of antiquity, but also the religion, literature, and archaeological record of the ancients. The material includes religious and secular architecture, sculpture, ceramics, painting, mosaics, and decorative arts in both private and public realms. Lectures, discussions, and readings will focus on issues such as the role of archaeology and its dating methods, the use of art and architecture as imperial propaganda, and the effects of urbanization on ancient societies. There will be at least one trip to the Worcester Art Museum.

Staff/Three credits
ARH 223  RENAISSANCE ART AND ARCHITECTURE
This course introduces students to the art and architecture of the Italian Renaissance from the 14th through the 16th centuries as well as theories used since the late 19th century to study these works. Proceeding chronologically, the course emphasizes the artistic, cultural, and historic context in which this art was created. The primary materials studied include religious and secular painting, architecture, as well as manuscripts and printed books created for public and private use. Lectures, discussions, readings and visits to the Worcester Art Museum stimulate discussion on issues such as the changing role of the artist, shifts in patronage, the use of art to express secular and ecclesiastic aspirations, experimentation with visual systems, innovations in print-making and printing, and the legacy of art of the Italian Renaissance. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre. Gearhart/Three credits

ARH 225  THE MEANING OF MODERN ART
This course will examine the development of modern art in Europe and the United States, focusing on the period between 1880 and 1950. Starting with Post-Impressionism, we will trace the key movements in modern art (including Expressionism, Cubism, Surrealism and Abstract Expressionism), and consider some of the more traditional forms against which they defined themselves. In the process, we will seek to understand how the terms 'modern,' 'modernist,' and 'avant-garde' came to be applied to art and artists, and to establish what art historians and cultural critics mean when they use them. Norris/Three credits

ARH 227  REALISM TO POST-IMPRESSIONISM
The course explores the major movements in European Art in the second half of the nineteenth century: Realism, Impressionism, Post-Impressionism and Art Nouveau. We will think about how technological and economic modernization, and the social conditions they generated, affected artists and the work they produced. In particular, we will seek to understand the range of effects that the invention of photography had on the practice of painting. We will also examine the gulf between ‘modern’ and ‘traditional’ forms of art that grew up during this period and structured the European and American art worlds through the middle of the following century. Norris/Three credits

ARH 229  ART SINCE 1945
The course will examine the art produced between the end of World War II and the present day. Since the art of this period uses an extraordinary range of materials and approaches, many of them far outside the traditional practices of European art-making, we will also have to try and answer some important questions: What does it mean to be an artist? What conditions must an object or event fulfill to qualify as a work of art? Are these artists even serious? You will emerge not just with an understanding of movements in art since the middle of the last century, but also with an awareness of the dramatic ways in which the entire concept of art has changed in the last 60 years. Norris/Three credits

ARH 299, 399 OR 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN ART HISTORY
Each of these numbers designates a specific level of specialized study on a relevant topic that has been designed by the student in conjunction with a faculty member. Permission of Chair required. Staff/Three credits

ARH 300  INTERNSHIP IN ART HISTORY
This upper level, field-based course is designed for juniors and seniors to explore and develop professional opportunities and apply concepts and skills learned in their coursework in art history. Permission of Chair required. Staff/Three credits

ARH 350  SPECIAL TOPICS IN ART HISTORY
Special topics in art history, architecture, and criticism are offered occasionally. These courses respond to special interests evidenced by students, outgrowths of topics addressed in an intermediate course, or research interests of the faculty. These courses are sometimes interdisciplinary in nature and may be offered without prerequisites. Staff/Three credits

ARH 400  SENIOR ART HISTORY SEMINAR
This course serves as a culminating experience for students who are majors or minors in art history. Using some of the foundational texts of art history, we will investigate the different methodologies employed in the discipline. The format for the class combines short introductory lectures by the professor with detailed discussion of assigned readings. During the semester, students will undertake a project that involves matching a work or group of works with a specific methodological approach or approaches. As part of the project, students will learn how to write, critique and edit an abstract, they will produce an annotated bibliography, and they will give a formal oral presentation of their work that incorporates visual media. Gearhart, Norris/Three credits

MUSIC (MUS)

MUS 101  FUNDAMENTALS OF MUSIC AND MUSICIANSHP
This course focuses on learning to read music notation, the fundamentals of basic music theory, and the study of technique and repertoire in one of the two performing mediums: piano or guitar. Upon completion of this course, the student should have acquired the ability to read music, an introductory-level technical facility in piano or guitar, and a thorough foundation in the fundamental elements of music theory, including basic aural skills. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre. Graveline, Clemente/Three credits
MUS 120  INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF MUSIC
A conceptual approach to developing the critical faculties necessary to listen to, and appreciate, music. This course is designed to teach how to listen to music and how to respond to it on sensual, aesthetic, and intellectual levels. The class will study three categories of music: music with words, program music, and absolute music. All types of music, such as Western art music, jazz, popular, and non-Western music, will be given equal consideration and respect. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Clemente, Graveline/Three credits

MUS 122  HISTORY OF MUSIC I
Following a brief study of the vocabulary and basic materials of music, this course will cover the historical development of music in the West from the Middle Ages to the Classical period. Major composers and their works will be studied and connections among history, culture, and musical language will be explored. The course will focus on the enhancement of active listening skills and musical understanding. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Lamothe/Three credits

MUS 124  HISTORY OF MUSIC II
The historical development of Western music from the Romantic period to the late-20th century. Major composers, their works, and the major musical trends will be studied and all will be related to cultural history. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Lamothe/Three credits

MUS 125  WORLD MUSIC
A survey of musical traditions from around the world, including an examination of the cultures and philosophies that shape them. Topics include instrumentation, form, texture, rhythm, melody, and performance practice in the music of Native Americans, Africa, Central and Southeastern Europe, India, Indonesia, Japan, and Latin America. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Clemente/Three credits

MUS 126  GLOBAL POP
A category of ethnomusicology, Global Pop explores musical traditions from a variety of nations with an emphasis on the popular music industry in each. This course examines the forces that enable the movement of music and musicians around the world and that give global music its persuasive power. Topics include music as expressive culture, music production, ethnicity and identity in pop music, music as symbol, cross-cultural collaborations in popular music, and music as a force that transcends sociological, political and national boundaries. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Clemente/Three credits

MUS 201  MUSIC THEORY I
After a review of the basic concepts of notation, scales, intervals, and triads, the student will study the various structural elements of music. Topics covered will include cadences, non-harmonic tones, harmonic rhythm, melodic organization and structure, voice-leading in four-part chorale writing, and transposition.
Clemente, Graveline/Three credits

MUS 221  MUSIC OF THE MIDDLE AGES AND THE RENAISSANCE
This course covers the origins of Western music, including Gregorian chant and medieval secular monody, early polyphonic music, and sacred and secular music from the middle of the 15th century to 1600. Dufay, Binchois, Ockeghem, Obrecht, Josquin, Marenzio, Monteverdi, Palestrina, and Victoria are among the composers whose music will be studied.
Staff/Three credits

MUS 223  BACH TO BEETHOVEN
This course forms a survey of the history and literature of music in the 17th and 18th centuries. Bach, Handel, Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven are among the composers to be especially studied.
Lamothe/Three credits

MUS 225  MUSIC OF THE ROMANTIC PERIOD & THE 20TH CENTURY
History and literature of music during the 19th century and to present day. The works of Berlios, Mendelsohn, Schubert, Schumann, Brahms, and Wagner. The French tradition: Franck, Faure, Debussy, Ravel. Contemporary trends: Bartok, Hindemith, Stravinsky, surrealism and electronic music.
Lamothe/Three credits

MUS 231  HISTORY OF OPERA
The study of operatic music since its inception in the early 17th Century through its development in the Baroque, Classical, and Romantic periods. The operas of Mozart, Rossini, Verdi, Bizet, Wagner, and Puccini will be especially studied.
Lamothe/Three credits

MUS 233  MUSIC IN THE UNITED STATES
This course forms a study of American Music of the last three centuries with particular emphasis on 20th-century trends, including Modern American Classical music, Blues, Jazz, Musical Theatre, Rock and Roll, and Popular music. Influences of Native American, African, and European music will be highlighted, and connections among history, culture, and musical language will be explored. The course will emphasize the enhancement of active listening skills and musical understanding. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre.
Lamothe, Clemente/Three credits
MUS 234  MUSIC OF FRANCE
The musical culture of France from the Middle Ages to the present day, listened to and commented upon against the backdrop of French social and cultural history. Songs of the troubadours and trouvères. Renaissance mass, motet and chanson. Baroque opera and keyboard works, symphonic, chamber, and dramatic music of the 19th and 20th centuries, and French folksong and popular song.
Graveline/Three credits

MUS 235  WOMEN AND MUSIC
The purpose of this course is to chart the history of women in music as performers, composers, and pedagogues. In addition to the societal evolution of women in music, the course will focus on the lives and works of Fanny Mendelssohn, Clara Schumann, Amy Beach, Teresa Carreno, Nadia and Lili Boulanger, Wanda Landowska, as well as contemporary artists and composers currently emerging and impacting on the American scene.
Graveline/Three credits

MUS 299, 399 OR 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN MUSIC
Each of these numbers designates a specific level of specialized study on a relevant topic that has been designed by the student in conjunction with a faculty member of music. Permission of Chair required.
Staff/Three credits

MUS 300  INTERNSHIP IN MUSIC
This upper level, field-based course is designed for juniors and seniors to explore and develop professional opportunities and apply concepts and skills learned in their coursework. Permission of Chair required.
Staff/Three credits

MUS 301  MUSIC THEORY II
A continuation of Music Theory I. More advanced harmony will be covered, such as harmonic progression, the dominant seventh chord, nondominant seventh chords, modulation, secondary dominants, and binary and ternary forms.
Clemente, Graveline/Three credits

MUS 330  CONDUCTING
This course is designed to provide the student with the fundamental skills of conducting and is geared primarily toward majors and minors who will conduct musical groups in schools and churches. Skills developed will include beat patterns, sight singing, ear training, score reading, and preparation. Students will be assigned a laboratory ensemble to conduct in rehearsal and performance.
Graveline/Three credits

MUS 400  SPECIAL TOPICS IN MUSIC
Special topics in Music are offered occasionally by the department. The courses respond to special interests evidenced by outgrowths of topics addressed in an intermediate course, or research interests of the faculty.

These courses are sometimes interdisciplinary in nature and may be offered without prerequisites.
Clemente, Graveline, Staff/Three credits

MUS 401  MUSIC THEORY III
Continuation of Music Theory II. A study of more advanced aspects of harmony (augmented sixth chords, the Neapolitan sixth chord, altered dominants, diminished seventh chords, chromatic third-relation harmony, modulation to foreign keys, ninth, 11th, and 13th chords), as well as the more complex formal structures of the common practice period in relation to harmony and tonality (sonata-allegro, rondo, and fugue).
Clemente, Graveline/Three credits

MUSIC PERFORMANCE COURSES

MUS 131  APPLIED FLUTE
Applied flute instruction through weekly private lesson format. Emphasis is placed on developing musicianship and technique through varied repertoire and technical exercises. Material ranges in difficulty from beginning to advanced depending on student’s ability. There are 10 one-hour lessons per semester, students may receive one credit per semester, and the course can be repeated for further credit. Tutorial fee per semester. $500.
Staff/One credit

MUS 140  BEGINNING CLASS VOICE
Students in this class learn the fundamentals of the vocal instrument and techniques for its healthy use through readings on the nature and function of the singing voice, vocal exercises, and song repertoire. Topics include relaxation and breathing techniques, principles of diction and interpretation, and an overview of the psychology, basic anatomy, and physiology of the voice. Valuable techniques for singers, actors, teachers, and public speakers.
Tartaglia/Three credits

MUS 141  APPLIED VOCAL INSTRUCTION
Applied vocal instruction through weekly private lesson format. Emphasis is placed on developing vocal technique through varied repertoire from vocal literature. There are 10 one-hour lessons per semester, students may receive one credit per semester, and the course can be repeated for further credit. Tutorial fee per semester. $500.
Tartaglia/One credit

MUS 151  APPLIED PIANO INSTRUCTION
Applied piano instruction through weekly private lesson format. Emphasis is placed on developing musicianship and keyboard technique through varied repertoire from the classical idiom and technical exercises. Material ranges in difficulty from early intermediate to advanced depending on student’s level of ability. There are 10 one-hour lessons per semester, students may receive one credit per semester, and the course can be repeated for further credit Prerequisite: MUS 150, or comparable background in piano. Tutorial fee per semester. $500.
Staff/One credit
MUS 161  APPLIED GUITAR INSTRUCTION
Applied guitar instruction through weekly private lesson format. Emphasis is placed on developing musicianship and technique through varied repertoire and technical exercises. Material ranges in difficulty from beginning to advanced depending on student's ability. There are 10 one-hour lessons per semester, students may receive one credit per semester, and the course can be repeated for further credit. Tutorial fee per semester: $500.
Clemente/One credit

MUS 171  APPLIED ORGAN INSTRUCTION
Applied organ instruction through weekly private lesson format. Emphasis is placed on repertoire and aspects of manual and pedal technique, elements of service playing are also incorporated. Students must have a strong background in piano as a prerequisite. There are 10 one-hour lessons per semester, students may receive one credit per semester, and the course can be repeated for further credit. Tutorial fee per semester: $500.
Graveline/One credit

MUS 181  APPLIED STRINGS INSTRUCTION
Applied string instruction through weekly private lesson format. Emphasis is placed on developing musicianship and technique through varied repertoire and technical exercises. Material ranges in difficulty from beginning to advanced depending on student's ability. There are 10 one-hour lessons per semester, students may receive one credit per semester, and the course can be repeated for further credit. Tutorial fee per semester: $500.
Sulski /One credit

MUS 193  CHORALE
Concert choir which performs choral literature from the Renaissance to the 20th century. There will be several major performances during the year with orchestra, and there will be tours every two years. Audition required. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre if taken three times.
Graveline/One credit optional, no extra charge, may be repeated for credit

MUS 195  BAND
Ensemble for winds, brass, and percussion rehearses once a week and performs at concerts and college functions. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre if taken three times.
Hopkins/One credit optional, no extra charge, may be repeated for credit

MUS 196  JAZZ ENSEMBLE
Jazz Ensemble offers the opportunity to explore and engage in the art of jazz performance. This ensemble studies and performs blues and jazz from the modern jazz period, swing era, bebop era, and other style periods of jazz. Students will be given experiences in the stylistic performance of small group jazz. Instrumentalists interested in jazz who play winds, brass or rhythm section instruments are encouraged to enroll. Other instrumentalists and singers should consult the instructor before enrolling. Students will rehearse weekly and perform each semester. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre if taken three times.
Jost/One credit optional, no extra charge. May be repeated for credit

MUS 197  STRING CAMERATA
String Camerata is a chamber orchestra for intermediate to advanced string players. Students will rehearse weekly and perform each semester. String Camerata provides an opportunity for students to further improve their playing skills through in-depth study and performance of music from all eras. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre if taken three times.
Sulski/One credit optional, no extra charge, may be repeated for credit

MUS 240  ADVANCED STUDIES I: PIANO
This class develops the student’s knowledge of the fundamentals of healthy vocal production through lectures, readings, vocal exercises and repertoire. Students review the basics of healthy vocal production and develop the techniques learned in MUS 140. Topics include further study of the anatomy and physiology of the vocal instrument, including vocal fold function, dynamics of both the singing and speaking voice, application of correct vocal technique to various styles and types of repertoire, and individual assessment of the voice. This course is usually held simultaneously with MUS 340. (Prerequisite: MUS 140)
Tartaglia/Three credits

MUS 250  ADVANCED STUDIES I: GUITAR
This is a course for pianists in the advanced beginner to intermediate stage. Course includes continuation of technique and fundamentals from MUS 101, scales and arpeggios in two octaves, introduction to sight reading and chording, and repertoire of greater difficulty than that encompassing five-finger position. Introduction of actual repertoire from the classical masters as well as more contemporary repertoire. This course is usually held simultaneously with MUS 350. (Prerequisite: MUS 101 or previous piano studies)
Staff/Three credits

MUS 260  ADVANCED STUDIES I: VOICE
This is an intermediate course in acoustic guitar technique and musicianship. A development of MUS 101 (Fundamentals of Music/Guitar), class topics include 2-octave scales, left and right hand technique, and an introduction to bar chords. These topics will be applied to various musical repertories including pop, folk, acoustic rock, and classical. This course is usually held simultaneously with MUS 360. (Prerequisite: MUS 101 or the equivalent)
Clemente/Three credits
MUS 340  ADVANCED STUDIES II: VOICE
This class continues to build upon the information learned in Beginner and Intermediate Voice Class. Students delve deeper into the physiological functions of the voice including muscles of the larynx, increased breathing capacity, prevention of vocal abuse, voice misuse, proper resonance and maintaining an consistent efficient vocal production. Topics include healthy singing for Pop Musicians, projecting the voice for stage work and public speaking, and methods to keep the voice healthy and productive throughout the life cycle. This course is usually held simultaneously with MUS 240. (Prerequisite: MUS 240) Tartaglia/Three Credits

MUS 350  ADVANCED STUDIES II: PIANO
This course continues to build on the foundation of previous piano experience. Topics will include major and minor scales in three octaves, arpeggios, technical studies, accompanying folk and popular music from chord symbols, transposition, and the study of more advanced classical repertoire. This course is usually held simultaneously with MUS 250. (Prerequisite: MUS 250 or the equivalent) Staff/Three credits

MUS 360  ADVANCED STUDIES II: GUITAR
This is an advanced course in guitar technique and musicianship. Class topics include scales in all keys (with metronome application), slurs, position studies, and arpeggios. Focus is given to chord progressions involving multiple positions and bar forms, guitar solos, and improvisatory concepts so as to prepare the student for ensemble opportunities. These topics will be applied to various musical repertories including pop, folk, acoustic rock, and classical. This course is usually held simultaneously with MUS 260. (Prerequisite: MUS 260 or the equivalent) Clemente/Three Credits

NOTE: Instruction in applied music will not be counted as a course unless a total of 3 credits in the same instrument is obtained, with a maximum of six allowed. Applied music instruction in voice, piano, guitar, and organ is also available for no credit, with no prerequisites. Tutorial fees per semester are $500 for 10 one-hour lessons. All music fees must be prepaid by the end of drop/add period. See department to sign up.

Credits in Chorale, Band, Jazz Ensemble, and String Camerata will not count as a course unless a total of 3 credits in the same ensemble is obtained. 6 credits (2 courses) in this area may be taken to satisfy graduation requirements. Additional credits may be obtained, but will not count toward graduation requirements. MUS 193 Chorale (3 credits), MUS 195 Band (3 credits), MUS 196 Jazz Ensemble (3 credits) and MUS 197 String Camerata (3 credits) can also satisfy the Core requirements in Art, Music, Theatre. Students may also participate in these ensembles for no credit. There is no charge for participating in these groups.

THEATRE ARTS (THA)

THA 286  THE THEATRE EXPERIENCE
This course is a critical approach to the theatre as a personal art form. Students also engage in the analysis and technique of theatre production. Students will create their own theatrical pieces, using their own life experiences as their muse. Classes will also choreograph an entire dance together. Classes in theory and in practicum cover specific aspects of theatre, including acting, make-up, lighting, costuming, and set design. $20 materials fee. (Spring) This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre. Staff/Three credits

THA 387  ACTING
This course addresses the theory and practice of basic acting techniques. Students explore physical, psychological, and theatrical approaches aimed at developing the potential of the actor. Emphasis is placed on voice, movement, script analysis, characterization, improvisation, and especially scene presentations. $20 materials fee. (Fall) This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theatre. Staff/Three credits

THA 491  THEATRE WORKSHOP
A study of current theatrical practice culminating in actual production and public performance. Focuses on all aspects of preparation and presentation of play, including script analysis, acting, directing, and the techniques of staging, lighting, sound, makeup, etc. Permission of instructor, by audition. Lab and materials fee $35. (Fall and Spring) Staff/Three credits
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The Department of Business Studies offers majors and minors that, when combined with substantial background in the liberal arts disciplines, provide our students with the knowledge and skills valued by the business world. Our majors also focus on helping students build socially responsible lives with ethical cores.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Business Studies Department of Assumption College offers undergraduate programs of study in accounting, international business, management, marketing, and organizational communication and a graduate business program with concentrations in management, marketing, accounting, finance, and international business. These programs are part of the College’s professional studies.

The general mission of the Business Studies Department is to create a challenging learning environment that prepares students for professional employment in the private, public, and nonprofit sectors and/or graduate study. Assumption College has a strong liberal arts tradition, and Business Studies programs augment the liberal arts courses by developing business students who:

• gain fundamental knowledge, concepts, and theory of the disciplines we teach;
• are proficient in technical and professional skills related to the disciplines we teach;
• understand and can perform in a professional environment that is multi-cultural and global;
• possess the knowledge and ability to understand ethical reasoning and act in a socially responsible manner;
• can exercise critical thinking and creative problem solving skills and know how to make decisions;
• are able to communicate effectively;
• are able to relate well to others and to perform well as an individual or as part of a team.

MAJOR IN ACCOUNTING

The Accounting program is designed to enable the student to establish a basic professional competence that will encourage intelligent and effective employment in both profit and nonprofit institutions. The Accounting major is structured to provide students with the basic educational background to sit for various professional examinations. The undergraduate Accounting program leading to the Bachelor's degree continues to provide excellent preparation for careers in the corporate, governmental, and not-for-profit sectors as well as entrance into law school and graduate business school.

CPA candidates should note that most states, including Massachusetts, have adopted some version of what has come to be called the 150 hours rule. This rule requires 150 semester hours of college education as a condition either to take the Uniform CPA Examination or to become certified as a CPA. In Massachusetts, the 150 hours is a requirement for certification. The requirement to take the exam in Massachusetts is 120 semester hours of college education.

While the new requirement does not specifically call for a graduate degree, 30 additional semester hours (150 hours less the 120 hours required in our undergraduate Accounting program) does represent a full year of study after the Bachelor's degree. Assumption has designed a BA/MBA program to enable our CPA candidate majors to begin their graduate studies during their senior year, satisfy the additional hours requirement, and receive both a BA and MBA degree.

In addition to receiving written permission to take MBA courses during the senior year, BA/MBA candidates must submit a formal application for acceptance into the MBA program and be evaluated in the normal manner. The complete application for admission must be submitted to the Graduate Office no later than the candidate’s senior year. The candidate will be notified of the decision prior to the start of the spring semester, and, if accepted in the program, will be allowed to register for spring semester MBA courses. Students may enroll in the Early Career Track MBA program with Accounting Emphasis if they wish to matriculate on a full-time basis. The ECT option includes a CPA Examination Review Course and a professional practicum, giving students real-world experience.

Complete details of the BA/MBA program can be obtained from the MBA Director and are explained in depth in the MBA catalog.

Students planning to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination should consult with the Accounting faculty no later than fall of their junior year. This will allow the student to devise a strategy for meeting the new educational requirements.

Requirements

The following courses, both the accounting courses and those from other disciplines, comprise the accounting major. Please note that three of these courses (MAT 117 or its prerequisite MAT 114, ECO 110, and CSC 113 or ECO 115) also fulfill Core Curriculum requirements.
Freshman/Sophomore

- Accounting Courses
  ACC 125  Principles of Accounting I
  ACC 126  Principles of Accounting II
- Other Disciplines
  ECO 110  Microeconomics
  ECO 111  Macroeconomics
  MAT 117  Calculus I
  CSC 113  Introduction to Computer Science or CSC 117 Introduction to Programming
  MGT 100  Management and Organizational Behavior
  MKT 101  Principles of Marketing
  ECO 115  Statistics

Upper Level

- Accounting Courses
  ACC 200  Intermediate Accounting I
  ACC 201  Intermediate Accounting II
  ACC 210  Cost Accounting
  ACC 211  Accounting Information Systems
  ACC 310  Federal Income Taxes
  ACC 320  Advanced Accounting
  ACC 420  Auditing (may be taken with Auditing Lab for 4 credits—Seniors only)
- Other Disciplines
  ECO 325  Corporate Finance
  BUS 215  Business Law I

The following electives are available to supplement the major requirements listed above. None of these courses is required to meet the undergraduate degree requirements, but will assist in fulfilling the educational requirements for certification (see Requirements for Uniform CPA Examination and Certification below).

- BUS 316  Business Law II
- BUS 320  Issues in Corporate Governance and White Collar Crime
- ACC/MGT 331  Fraud Examination
- ACC 332  Forensic Accounting
- IDS 250  Community Tax Assistance (formerly Individual Income Tax Assistance)
- Area 2:  BUS 316  Business Law II
- BUS 320  Issues in Corporate Governance and White Collar Crime
- ACC 350  Personal Financial Management
- PHI 320  Business Ethics
  Any business or economics course not required for the accounting major

MAJOR IN MANAGEMENT

The Management major curriculum is structured to develop the student’s ability to identify, analyze, and contribute to the development of organizations through an understanding of how they function. Management students are ready for positions in professional management of profit or non-profit organizations, for corporate management training programs, and for graduate studies in business disciplines, the law, and related areas. The curriculum seeks to develop and sharpen knowledge, skills, and abilities in the following areas:

- Principal management activities of planning, organizing, staffing, leading, and controlling
- Communication (oral, written, and electronic)
- Quantitative and qualitative analysis methods
- Analytical and strategic thinking abilities
- Strategy development and implementation
- Interpersonal relations, group decision-making, diversity, and leadership

Requirements

The following courses (both the management courses and those from other disciplines) comprise the management major. Please note that three of these courses (MAT 117 or its prerequisite MAT 114, ECO 110, and CSC 113 or ECO 115) also fulfill Core Curriculum requirements.

REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIFORM CPA EXAMINATION AND CERTIFICATION:

There are specific requirements to take the CPA Examination in Massachusetts, the requirements may differ in other states. Students should check with the Board of Accountancy in the state where they intend to sit for the examination and apply for certification. The undergraduate accounting curriculum qualifies a student to sit for the examination in Massachusetts. Students who wish to apply for certification in Massachusetts after successful completion of the CPA Examination should take the following courses to fulfill the specific education requirements for certification:

At least one course in each area:

Area 1:  ACC 331  Fraud Examination
- ACC 332  Forensic Accounting
- IDS 250  Community Tax Assistance (formerly Individual Income Tax Assistance)

Area 2:  BUS 316  Business Law II
- BUS 320  Issues in Corporate Governance and White Collar Crime
- ACC 350  Personal Financial Management
- PHI 320  Business Ethics
- Any business or economics course not required for the accounting major
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Freshman/Sophomore

- Management
  MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- Other Disciplines
  ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
  ACC 126 Principles of Accounting II
  CSC 113 Introduction to Computer Science or CSC 117 Introduction to Programming
  ECO 110 Microeconomics
  ECO 111 Macroeconomics
  ECO 115 Statistics
  MAT 117 Calculus
  MKT 101 Principles of Marketing

Upper Level

- Management Courses
  MGT 210 Quantitative Methods
  MGT 220 Production and Operations Management
  MGT 400 Business Strategy (Capstone: Seniors only)
- Other Disciplines
  ECO 325 Corporate Finance
  BUS 215 Business Law I

MANAGEMENT MAJORS MUST SELECT FOUR ELECTIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST:

- MGT 300 Human Resources Management
- MGT 301 Business and Society (formerly Environments of Business)
- MGT 302 Management Information Systems
- MGT 303 Purchasing and Supply Management
- BUS 304 Business Research
- MGT 305 Strategic Leadership
- INB 307 International Management
- MKT 309 Marketing Management
- MKT 311 Diversity in the Work Force
- MGT 315 Services Management
- INB 318 Asian Business Practices or
- INB 320 European Business Practices

(Only one of INB 318 or INB 320 may count)

- MGT 325 Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- MGT 331 Fraud Examination
- MGT 342 Sport Management
- MGT 350 Professional and Ethical Responsibilities in the Sport Industry
- BUS 399 Internship in Business

The order suggested above is intended as a guide in planning the major, not an inflexible sequence. For example, many students have successfully completed the major by taking some of the Freshman/Sophomore courses in their Junior or even Senior years.

MAJOR IN MARKETING

The major in Marketing is designed to provide the student with the educational background necessary to function successfully in sales, advertising, public relations, merchandising, product and brand management, and other marketing occupations. The student will develop an understanding of the risks, rewards and challenges inherent in the marketing profession while developing the ability to identify, analyze, and respond to these challenges.

Requirements

The following courses (both the marketing courses and those from other disciplines) comprise the marketing major. Please note that three of these courses (MAT 117 or its prerequisite MAT 114, ECO 110, and CSC 113 or ECO 115) also fulfill Core Curriculum requirements.

Freshman/Sophomore

- Marketing
  MKT 101 Principles of Marketing
- Other Disciplines
  ECO 110 Microeconomics
  ECO 111 Macroeconomics
  MAT 117 Calculus
  CSC 113 Introduction to Computer Science or CSC 117 Introduction to Programming
  ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
  ACC 126 Principles of Accounting II
  ECO 115 Statistics
  MKT 101 Principles of Marketing

Upper Level

- Marketing
  MKT 309 Marketing Management
- Other Disciplines
  MGT 210 Quantitative Methods
  BUS 215 Business Law I
  ECO 325 Corporate Finance
  MKT 400 Business Strategy (Capstone: Seniors only)

Marketing majors must select four electives from the following list:

- MGT 301 Business and Society (formerly Environments of Business)
- MGT 302 Management Information Systems
- BUS 304 Business Research
- MKT 308 Consumer Marketing Behavior
- INB 306 International Marketing
- MKT 310 Advertising
- MKT 311 Diversity in the Work Force
- MKT 312 Sales Management
MAJOR IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

The International Business major is designed to provide students with a particularly wide variety of learning experiences designed to prepare them to function successfully in global environments. International Business students need to understand the history, language, and practices of other cultures. Along with a strong foundation of business courses, this major draws upon the strengths of related liberal arts disciplines such as foreign language, literature, history, geography, philosophy, political science, and theology.

Upon graduation, students are prepared to enter a global organization in the functional areas of marketing, management and manufacturing or to seek government employment with agencies such as the Foreign Service, Department of Commerce, and the many other agencies that have international involvement, or to enter a corporate management training program, or to proceed to graduate studies.

Requirements

The courses in the International Business Major are divided into three areas:

Area I: Business Knowledge Core (9 courses)

- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
- ACC 126 Principles of Accounting II
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 325 Corporate Finance
- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MKT 101 Principles of Marketing
- MKT 210 Quantitative Methods

Area II: International Business Core (6 courses)

- INB 306 International Marketing
- INB 307 International Management
- MGT 400 Business Strategy (Capstone: Seniors only)

One Foreign Language course at level 3. International business majors are encouraged to satisfy their Core requirement by selecting the language option. Language competency may also be satisfied through AP level 4.

One additional foreign language or linguistics course at any level. This foreign language will be other than that used to satisfy the level 3 requirement.

One from among the following courses, or two if foreign language competency is satisfied by AP credits:

- INB 318 Asian Business Practices or
- INB 320 European Business Practices

Area III: International Business Cultural Literacy Depth (3 courses, one in each of 3 areas)

The focus of this area is to build knowledge of other cultures. Additional courses which clearly support this learning goal will be approved by the Chair, Department of Business Studies.

GEOGRAPHY

- GEO 108 World Population Issues
- GEO 222 Regional Geography of South America
- GEO 224 Regional Geography of Asia
- GEO 232 Regional Geography of Africa
- GEO 251 Economic Geography

HISTORY

- HIS 204 Early Modern Europe
- HIS 210 Diplomatic History of Europe in the 20th Century
- HIS 222 Great Britain after 1760
- HIS 242 Russia since 1917
- HIS 251 Modern Latin America since 1821
- HIS 267 United States Foreign Relations since 1898
- HIS 272 Germany since 1890
- HIS 281 Asian History since 1800
- HIS 282 Japan From 1868 to Present
- HIS 283 Modern China. War and Revolution
- HIS 291 Islamic Middle East II

PHILOSOPHY

- PHI 365 Late Modern Philosophy
MAJOR IN ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION

Effective communication, a widely recognized goal of a liberal arts education, is a key element in the successful practice of management. The Organizational Communication major builds on the strengths of a liberal arts curriculum to produce a set of competencies valued in the business environment and transferable across many sectors. Students who major in Organizational Communication will be prepared to enter the world of management, including profit, non-profit, government and entrepreneurial organizations, and will be strong candidates for corporate management development programs.

Organizational Communication is a 16-course major with 11 required courses. There is a set of six core business courses, a writing course, three core management communication courses, and an internship or a portfolio management course.

Requirements
Area I: Business Knowledge Core (six courses)
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting
- CSC 113 Introduction to Computer Science or CSC 117 Introduction to Programming
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MKT 101 Principles of Marketing

Area II: Writing Course (1 Required)
- ENG 201 Writing Workshop: Argument and Persuasion
- ENG 304 Business and Technical Writing
- ENG 308 Writing and Editing

Area III: Core Communication Courses (3 Required)
- OCM 200 Communication Theory
- OCM 333 Strategic Managerial Communication
- PSY 220 Interpersonal Communication OR INB 334 International Communication: Organizational Perspectives

Area IV: Internship Capstone Experience (1 Required)
- OCM 398 Portfolio Management
- OCM 399 Internship in Business

Area V: Major Electives (5 required, limit 2 from outside the Department of Business Studies)
- ENG 201* Writing Workshop: Argument and Persuasion
- ENG 304* Business and Technical Writing
- ENG 308* Writing and Editing
- ACC 350 Personal Financial Management
- LIN 221 Sociolinguistics
- BUS 304 Business Research
- INB 306 International Marketing
- INB 307 International Management
- MKT 308 Consumer Marketing Behavior
- MKT 309 Marketing Management
- MKT 310 Advertising
- MGT 311 Diversity in the Work Force
- MKT 312 Sales Management
- MKT 314 Services Marketing
- MKT 316 Public Relations
- MKT 326 Marketing on the Internet
- MKT 327 Social Media Marketing
- INB 334 International Communication: Organizational Perspectives (if not taken to meet Area III requirement)
- MKT 344 Sports Marketing
- MKT 346 Sport Media and Communication

*If not taken to fulfill the Area II writing course requirement

Students may petition the department chair for approval of other non-departmental courses that support the organizational communication major.

MINORS IN BUSINESS

Students interested in learning more about business beyond the level of the introductory courses are encouraged to consider the minors in accounting, marketing, international business, or management. Coupling a minor with a liberal arts major creates an attractive program. Minors must be specified in writing and approved by the department chair. All minors in the Business Studies Department require the completion of 21 credits.

MINOR IN ACCOUNTING

Required Courses
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
- ACC 126 Principles of Accounting II
- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior OR MKT 101 Principles of Marketing
Electives
Four electives chosen from the following:
- ACC 200 Intermediate Accounting I
- ACC 201 Intermediate Accounting II
- ACC 210 Cost Accounting
- ACC 211 Accounting Information Systems
- IDS 250 Community Tax Assistance
  (formerly Individual Income Tax Assistance)
- ACC 310 Federal Income Taxes
- ACC 320 Advanced Accounting
- ACC 330 Fraud Examination
- ACC 332 Forensic Accounting
- ACC 350 Personal Financial Management
- ACC 420 Auditing

MINOR IN FRAUD EXAMINATION AND FORENSIC ACCOUNTING
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
- ACC 126 Principles of Accounting II
- MGT 100 Management/Organizational Behavior
- ACC/MGT 331 Fraud Examination
- ACC 332 Forensic Accounting
- BUS 320 Issues in Corporate Governance & White Collar Crime

Plus one of the following:
- SOC 242 Criminology
- ACC 211 Accounting Information Systems
- ACC 420 Auditing
- PHI 320 Business Ethics
- MGT 301 Business and Society (formerly Environments of Business)
- CSC 335 Computer & Data Security

MINOR IN MARKETING
Required Courses
- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MKT 101 Principles of Marketing
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I

Electives
Four electives chosen from the following:
- BUS 304 Business Research
- INB 306 International Marketing
- MKT 308 Consumer Marketing Behavior
- MKT 309 Marketing Management
- MKT 310 Advertising
- MKT 312 Sales Management
- MKT 314 Services Marketing
- MKT 316 Public Relations
- INB 318 Asian Business Practices or
- INB 320 European Business Practices

(Only one of INB 318 or INB 320 may count).
- MKT 322 Business-to-Business Marketing
- MGT 325 Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- MGT 326 Marketing on the Internet
- MGT 327 Social Media Marketing
- MKT 344 Sports Marketing
- MKT 346 Sport Media and Communication

MINOR IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
Required Courses
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MKT 101 Principles of Marketing

Electives
Choose four from the following:
- INB 306 International Marketing
- INB 307 International Management
- MGT 311 Diversity in the Workforce
- INB 318 Asian Business Practices or
- INB 320 European Business Practices

(Only one of INB 318 or INB 320 may count)
- INB 334 International Communication: Organizational Perspectives
- ECO 353 International Trade
- ECO 354 International Finance

(Only one of ECO 353 or ECO 354 may count)

One non-business course with an international dimension chosen in consultation with the Chair of the Business Studies Department may be substituted for one of the above electives.

MINOR IN MANAGEMENT
Required Courses
- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MKT 101 Principles of Marketing
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I

Electives
Four electives chosen from the following:
- MGT 210 Quantitative Methods
- MGT 220 Production and Operations Management
- MGT 300 Human Resources Management
- MGT 301 Business and Society (formerly Environments of Business)
- MGT 302 Management Information Systems
- MGT 303 Purchasing and Supply Management
- BUS 304 Business Research
- INB 307 International Management
- MGT 305 Strategic Leadership
- MGT 311 Diversity in the Work Force
MGT 315 Services Management  
INB 318 Asian Business Practices or  
INB 320 European Business Practices  

(Only one of INB 318 or INB 320 may count)  
MGT 325 Small Business and Entrepreneurship  
MGT 331 Fraud Examination  
MGT 342 Sport Management  

MINOR IN SPORT MANAGEMENT  
Required Courses:  
MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior  
MKT 101 Principles of Marketing  
ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I  
MGT 342 Sport Management  
MKT 344 Sports Marketing  

Electives  
Choose any two of the following:  
MKT 346 Sport Media and Communication  
MGT 350 Professional and Ethical Responsibilities in the Sport Industry  
ECO 340 Economics of Sports  
ENG 302.01 Special Topics in Journalism: Sports Writing I  
ENG 302.02 Special Topics in Journalism: Sports Writing II  
BUS 399 Internship in Business  

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW: The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

ACCOUNTING (ACC)  
Accounting 125 is a prerequisite for Accounting 126, and the Accounting 125–126 sequence is required for all accounting, management, marketing, and international business majors.

ACC 125 PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTING I  
An introduction to accounting concepts for financial reporting. Accounting theories and principles relative to asset valuation, liability reporting, and income determination will be examined. The uses and limitations of external financial reports will be emphasized.  
Foley, Jones, Marino, Niece, Piwko, Skypeck / Three credits

ACC 126 PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTING II  
A consideration of some of the more complex areas of financial accounting and an introduction to managerial accounting and its role in the planning and control of business operations. Changes in financial position, analysis of financial statements, cost accounting, and budgeting will be examined. The impact of accounting information on internal decision making will be emphasized. Prerequisite ACC 125.  
Foley, Jones, Marino, Niece, Piwko, Skypeck / Three credits

ACC 200 INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTING I  
An intensive study of financial accounting and reporting problems. The class will discuss generally accepted accounting principles as applied to income determination, cash, receivables, investments, inventories, and productive resources. Emphasis is on the theory and practice of providing useful information to external financial statement users. The course will include coverage of the primary differences between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Prerequisite: ACC 125–126. (Fall)  
Foley, Piwko / Three credits

ACC 201 INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTING II  
A continuation of ACC 200. Discussion focuses on debt and equity capital issues, leases, pensions, earnings per share, income taxes, and cash flow. The course will include coverage of the primary differences between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Prerequisite: ACC 200. (Spring)  
Foley, Piwko / Three credits

ACC 210 COST ACCOUNTING  
Deals with the processing, reporting, and use of accounting data for managerial decision making. Focuses on the use of cost accounting as a highly developed quantitative device for the selection and achievement of objectives. Emphasis on cost/volume/profit relationships, job-order costing, process costing, activity-based costing, standard costs, budgeting, capital budgeting, and performance evaluation. Prerequisite: ACC 125–126.  
Jones, Piwko / Three credits

ACC 211 ACCOUNTING INFORMATION SYSTEMS  
The overall objective of the course is to develop a framework for the analysis and design of accounting information systems. Based on this framework, the objective is then to show the student how to analyze accounting information systems that satisfy the transaction processing, reporting, decision making, and internal control requirements. Prerequisite: ACC 125–126.  
Niece, Jones / Three credits
ACC 310  FEDERAL INCOME TAXES
The course will focus on the Federal Internal Revenue Code, its origins, organizations, principles, and application. The emphasis will be on the tax consequences of decisions made by both individuals and corporations. Specific practical problems will be used to illustrate the application of many of the basic principles of taxation. Consideration will be given to the historic, economic, and social causes and effects of tax law. Prerequisite: ACC 201 or permission of instructor. (Fall) Skypeck/Three credits

ACC 320  ADVANCED ACCOUNTING
This course concentrates on advanced applications of financial accounting concepts not considered in depth in previous courses. Topics covered may include partnership organization, operation, and liquidation, business combinations, special financial reporting issues, governmental and non-profit accounting, Securities and Exchange Commission requirements, and financial reporting by multinational companies. The objective of the course is to expand and refine the problem-solving techniques introduced in ACC 200–201. Prerequisite: ACC 200–201. (Spring) Marino/Three credits

ACC 331  FRAUD EXAMINATION
This course examines the subject of fraud from both management and accounting perspectives. Utilizing a variety of techniques including text, lecture, case studies, and occasional training videos, the course seeks to familiarize students with the conditions which facilitate fraud, the profile of the fraud perpetrator, common types of fraud, and methods of prevention, detection, and resolution. Numerous historical cases of fraud are examined. Prerequisites: ACC125–126, MGT100. Marino/Three credits

ACC 332  FORENSIC ACCOUNTING
This course serves as a follow-on to Fraud Examination, ACC/MGT 331, and builds upon the concepts learned in that course. The course covers the role of the forensic accountant including common types of engagements performed. It includes discussion of specific types of occupational and management fraud in depth with emphasis on detection techniques. There is coverage of the structure of forensic financial investigations, including those related to business frauds, business valuations, and matrimonial settlements. Cases from the text and other sources are used to illustrate key concepts. Prerequisite: ACC/MGT 331. (Spring) Benvenuti/Three credits

ACC 350  PERSONAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
This course will examine personal choices and their impact on the realization of an individual's financial objectives. The overall personal financial plan is the focus of the course and, accordingly, the course will include discussion of investment selection, housing, inflation, transportation, consumer credit, insurance, and record keeping. It will provide students with a solid grounding in personal financial management principles. Prerequisite: Senior standing or instructor's permission. (Spring) Foley, Jones, Skypeck/Three credits

ACC 385  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN ACCOUNTING
Open to highly qualified junior and senior majors. Permission of the department chair is required. Staff/Three credits

ACC 395  SPECIAL TOPICS IN ACCOUNTING
This course permits the study of selected topics as designate by the instructor. Topics will change each time the course is offered. Staff/Three credits

ACC 420  AUDITING
An examination of the theory and practice of auditing. Emphasis is on generally accepted auditing standards, professional liability of auditors, ethics of the accounting profession, the structure and conduct of the audit, and the preparation of the auditor's report. Prerequisites: Senior standing and ACC 200–201. (Fall) Marino/May be taken without Lab for three credits or with Lab for four credits

IDS 250  (CSL) COMMUNITY TAX ASSISTANCE
(Formerly Individual Income Tax Assistance)
This course combines the study of low-income taxpayers with community service learning. Students examine sociological issues, such as social class, in addition to researching individual tax credits targeted at low-income taxpayers. They will also become proficient with tax software. Students will apply their learning through the electronic preparation of tax returns for low-income Worcester residents. (Spring) Niece/Three credits

BUSINESS (BUS)

BUS 215  BUSINESS LAW I
An analysis of the legal environment of business. Emphasis is on the basic structure of legal rights and obligations and their impact on business decisions. Prerequisites: Not open to Freshmen, preference to Junior and Senior business majors. Donnelly, Fitzpatrick, Kingsley/Three credits
BUS 304  BUSINESS RESEARCH
Students will learn how to scan the environment of changing conditions in order to identify specific business opportunities and problems. The course teaches the following techniques for collecting and analyzing data: research objectives, research design, data collection, sampling procedures, field work, statistical analysis, and reporting the research findings. Discussion focuses on how business research fits the decision-maker’s needs. Prerequisites: MKT 101, ECO 115, and Junior/Senior standing or permission of instructor. (Spring)
Diodati, Drouart, Mohaghegh/Three credits

BUS 316  BUSINESS LAW II
Intended for students preparing to sit for the CPA exams. Business Law II will examine the law of contracts, corporations, partnerships, negotiable instruments, agency, and other topics. Special emphasis will be placed on the Uniform Commercial Code. Prerequisite: senior accounting majors. (Spring)
Fitzpatrick/Three credits

BUS 320  ISSUES IN CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND WHITE COLLAR CRIME
This course covers the subject of corporate governance focusing on the roles of top management and the board of directors. Recent changes initiated by the Sarbanes Oxley Act are discussed. The importance of ethical leadership is stressed. The course also covers the subject of white collar crime, defining and discussing the major types of this criminal activity. The roles of top management and the board of directors in both the commission and the prevention of white collar crime are covered at length. Various resources such as recent cases of white collar crime, and websites such as those of the FBI and the National White Collar Crime Center are incorporated into the course. Prerequisite: MGT 100 & ACC 125 & 126. (Fall)
Matraia/Three credits

BUS 385  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN MANAGEMENT, MARKETING, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, OR ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Open to highly qualified junior and senior majors. Permission of the department chair is required.
Staff/Three credits

BUS 395  SPECIAL TOPICS IN MANAGEMENT, MARKETING, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
This course permits the study of selected topics as designated by the instructor. Topics will change each time the course is offered.
Staff/Three credits

BUS 399  INTERNSHIP IN BUSINESS
This course is open to junior/senior students approved by the instructor who meet the college-wide internship standard of a minimum GPA of 2.8. It provides the interning student with a valuable experiential learning opportunity, and includes field-based training experience in either the private, industrial, not-for-profit, or governmental sectors. Students must attend weekly seminar meetings to complete regular academic assignments and process observations about the internship experience. Students complete a major paper that links theory in the field to the internship experience.
Dewitt/Three credits

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS (INB)

INB 306  INTERNATIONAL MARKETING
This course explores marketing across national boundaries and within foreign countries, as well as the coordination of marketing in multiple international markets. It examines plans, strategies, and tactics that are developed to cope with the problems and opportunities presented in the international arena. Specific topics will include cultural differences, marketing intelligence, foreign market entry, product policy, distribution, advertising/promotion, pricing, planning, and controlling the international marketing organization. The student will be exposed to the unique challenges and the decision-making processes that are integral to marketing on a global basis. An appreciation will be developed for the ever-changing environmental factors and risks (economic, cultural, and political/legal) that impact the international marketing field. The course will include readings, lectures, discussions, cases, reports, and presentations. Prerequisite: MGT 100, MKT 101, and Junior/Senior standing or permission of instructor.
Diodati, Drouart/Three credits

INB 307  INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT
This course provides an in-depth examination of the managerial issues confronting managers as they plan, organize, staff, and control global/transnational operations. The basic premise is that management in a global environment differs in many ways from management of a firm doing business within national boundaries. Specific topics include the cultural context of international business, planning, implementation, personnel selection, labor relations, communication, motivation, control, and ethics/social responsibility. The course includes readings, lectures, cases, experiential exercises, and discussions. Prerequisites: MGT 100, MKT 101, and Junior/Senior standing or permission of instructor.
Diodati, Drouart/Three credits

INB 318  ASIAN BUSINESS PRACTICES
This course examines the evolving business practices of Asian countries vis-à-vis a scrutiny of influences, such as history, geography, demography, religion, value systems, politics/legal structures, and language(s). This will provide the student with both a multicultural sensitivity and a basic set of skills for functioning in specific Asian markets. The course is grounded, but certainly not limited to, the major countries of the region: China (PRC/ROC), Japan,
North and South Korea, Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, and Laos. Prerequisite: MGT 100, MKT 101, or permission of instructor.

Diodati, Drouart /Three credits

INB 320  EUROPEAN BUSINESS PRACTICES
The course examines the evolving business practices of European countries vis-à-vis a scrutiny of influences, such as history, geography, demography, religion, value systems, political/legal structures and languages(s). This will provide the student with both a multicultural sensitivity and a basic set of skills for functioning in specific European markets. This course is guided, but certainly not limited to, the major countries of the region: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. Prerequisite: MGT 100, MKT 101, or permission of instructor.

Drouart, Diodati /Three credits

INB 334  INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION: ORGANIZATIONAL PERSPECTIVES
This course is an introduction to the major theories and concepts of intercultural communication as they apply to business organizations. It emphasizes a process approach to the study of written, oral and non-verbal communication between persons of different cultures as they communicate with each other, work together on teams, and conduct business negotiations. Prerequisite: MGT 100.

Morrison /Three credits

MANAGEMENT (MGT)

MGT 100  MANAGEMENT AND ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR
This course introduces and emphasizes the systems approach to investigating organizational structures, processes, functions, and dynamics. It applies selected theories and principles to such organizational phenomena as power, authority, conflict, motivation, communication, and managerial/leadership style to explore individual, interpersonal, and group behavior in the organization. The course builds an understanding of key managerial skills and the interpersonal, informational, and decision-making roles of managers that support effective performance. The course examines the planning, organizing, staffing, leading, communicating, and controlling functions. MGT 100 should not be taken in same semester as MKT 101.

DeWitt, Diodati, Drouart, LeBlanc, Lewis, Pastille, Spellacy /Three credits

MGT 210  QUANTITATIVE METHODS
Focuses on problems and issues of management and administration relevant to the process of problem identification, problem-solving, decision making, and coping with environment uncertainties. Covers introduction to deterministic and stochastic models and linear programming, optimization algorithms, variations of the simplex model, network models, queuing models. Examines computer solutions to appropriate problems in business, economics, and management. Prerequisites: ECO 115, MGT 100. Not open to Freshmen.

Hoyle, Pastille /Three credits

MGT 220  PRODUCTION AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT
Examines the productive function of a variety of organizations using two approaches: manufacturing management and operations management (applicable to services, not-for-profit, and public organizations). Develops an understanding of such standard tools and techniques as forecasting, process design, inventory models, break-even analysis, and project scheduling. Deals with topics pertaining to capacity management, such as facilities planning and technology planning. Prerequisite: MGT 210. (Spring)

Pastille /Three credits

MGT 300  HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
This course examines the relationship of an employee to the total organization. It investigates strategic human resources decisions, such as job evaluation and design, human resources planning, and recruiting/selecting. It also explores administrative decisions, such as training and development, performance appraisal, promotion and transfer, compensation, discipline, employee relations, and due process. The course focuses on new and changing responsibilities of the personnel manager, such as affirmative action, safety and health, demands for job satisfaction, and environmental protection. Prerequisites: MGT 100, and Junior/Senior standing.

LeBlanc /Three credits

MGT 301  BUSINESS AND SOCIETY (FORMERLY THE ENVIRONMENTS OF BUSINESS)
Investigates selected components of the macro-environment which surround any organization, and which have a growing impact on managerial processes and decision-making. Specifically examines changing business values, the impact of rapidly changing technology, business ethics, government-business relations, and rapidly shifting societal expectations. Also explores selected issues such as business responsibility with regard to pollution control, energy conservation, health and safety of employees, and employment of minorities. Prerequisites: MGT 100 and Junior/Senior standing.

Pastille /Three credits

MGT302/MKT 302  MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS
Examines the role of information in the organization for purposes of defining and implementing goals and objectives and guiding operational decisions. Treats information as a key organizational resource parallel to people, money, materials, and technology, and views information and its
uses within a general systems framework in its utilization for purposes of planning, operations, and control. It also surveys specific MIS tools such as simulations, planning, programming, budgeting system, flowcharting, and cybernetic theory. Prerequisites: CSC 113, MGT 100, and Junior/Senior standing (Spring)
Pastille/Three credits

MGT303 PURCHASING AND SUPPLY MANAGEMENT
This course is designed to provide the student with an understanding of the planning and controlling of the total flow of materials through an organization. Topics to be covered included purchasing, quality assurance, sources of supply, international buying, contracts and pricing practices, negotiation, make or buy decisions, institutional and governmental purchasing, legal considerations, computer-based systems, traffic, receiving, storage, and control of materials and final products so that usage of personnel, facilities, and capital is optimized. Case studies will enhance learning objectives. (Fall)
Staff/Three credits

MGT 350 STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP
Leadership is the process of transforming organizations from what they are to what the leader would have them become. This course builds upon the basic knowledge of leadership theory and practice provided in an introduction to management and organizational behavior course, and prepares the student for a capstone course in business strategy by (1) expanding the scope and depth of the student's knowledge of leadership theories in the context of creating strategy in a globalized world, (2) building the student's capacity to apply leadership theory to situations arising from the economic, social and environmental conditions that are transforming our world in the early 21st century, and (3) developing the student's self-knowledge of his or her actual as well as desired leadership style. Prerequisites: MGT 100
Morrison, Pastille /Three credits

MGT 311 DIVERSITY IN THE WORK FORCE
The purpose of this seminar is to explore the issues and the challenges of managing an increasingly diverse work force. The course focuses on preparing students to work and to manage in multicultural organizations. Special emphasis is placed on topics related to the impact of gender, race, and ethnicity, and other differences on interpersonal relations and group behavior within a managerial organizational context. Prerequisite: MGT100 or permission of instructor.
LeBlanc/Three credits

MGT 315 SERVICES MANAGEMENT
This course provides students with the concepts and tools necessary to manage service operations effectively. The strategic focus should also provide entrepreneurially inclined students with the foundation to start their own service business. The course explores the dimensions of successful service firms, prepares students for enlightened management, and suggests creative entrepreneurial opportunities. Beginning with the service encounter, service managers must blend marketing, technology, people, and information to achieve a distinctive competitive advantage. This course looks at service management from an integrated viewpoint. The material integrates marketing, strategy, technology, and organizational issues. Prerequisites: MGT 100, MKT 101. 
Staff/Three credits

MGT 325 SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
The course is designed to provide a comprehensive and integrated introduction to the challenges of starting and managing a small business. In this course, students will build on an interdisciplinary foundation of accounting, management, and marketing to address the problems and decisions of starting, growing, and managing a small business. Prerequisites: MGT 100, MKT 101, ACC 125, ACC 126.
Foley, Hoyle, Skypeck /Three credits

MGT 331 FRAUD EXAMINATION
This course examines the subject of fraud from both management and accounting perspectives. Utilizing a variety of techniques including text, lecture, case studies, and occasional training videos, the course seeks to familiarize students with the conditions which facilitate fraud, the profile of the fraud perpetrator, common types of fraud, and methods of prevention, detection, and resolution. Numerous historical cases of fraud are examined. Prerequisites: ACC125–126, MGT100
Marino/Three credits

MGT 342 SPORT MANAGEMENT
Sport has become a multibillion dollar industry, and as such, requires increasingly sophisticated and innovative management. This course introduces students to the business of sport. Students will learn the concepts, principles, and practices of managing sport organizations and sporting events as well as gaining an overview of the sport industry. This course builds on the skills and knowledge from an introductory management and organization course as students learn to apply organizational, management, and leadership principles to sport organizations. Students will also study change and innovation in both sport organizations as well as the sport industry. Prerequisite: MGT 100
Lewis/Three credits

MGT 350 PROFESSIONAL AND ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE SPORT INDUSTRY
The culture of winning reflects a set of longstanding American values. During contemporary times, issues in sport such as performance enhancing drugs, cheating, and violence have become important topics for sport managers. This course examines the professional and ethical responsibility of the sport manager, as well as ethical issues confronted by sport managers. Students will be asked to not only identify
these issues within the sport industry environment, but also to analyze, discuss, and debate the sport manager's professional and ethical responsibility in addressing these issues through ethical decision making. Students will also explore principle-centered leadership in sport. Prerequisite: MGT 342

MGT 400 BUSINESS STRATEGY (CAPSTONE)
This course serves to integrate prior studies in management, marketing, human resources, organizational behavior, production, finance, and accounting. The primary objective is to develop the student's ability to think strategically in analyzing industry and competitive situations facing a business in order to formulate strategic action plans. Prerequisites: Senior Management, Marketing and International Business majors and ECO 325. Capstone course: must be taken in the undergraduate college at Assumption.

Drouart, Morrison, Pastille /Three credits

MARKETING (MKT)

MKT 101 PRINCIPLES OF MARKETING
This introductory course assesses the impact of environmental forces on the practice of marketing. Students will learn the fundamentals of the marketing mix. The course covers the following: target market identification, market research, consumer behavior, product positioning, distribution, communications (personal selling, advertising, sales promotion, and public relations), and pricing decisions. Should not be taken in same semester as MGT 100.
Blake, DeWitt, Diodati, Hoyle, LeBlanc, Lewis, Spellacy/Three credits

MKT302/MGT 302 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS
Examines the role of information in the organization for purposes of defining and implementing goals and objectives and guiding operational decisions. Treats information as a key organizational resource parallel to people, money, materials, and technology, and views information and its uses within a general systems framework in its utilization for purposes of planning, operations, and control. It also surveys specific MIS tools such as simulations, planning, programming, budgeting system, flowcharting, and cybernetic theory. Prerequisites: CSC 113, MGT 100, and Junior/Senior standing. (Spring)
Pastille/Three credits

MKT 308 CONSUMER MARKETING BEHAVIOR
This course is an in-depth examination of the processes involved when individuals or groups select, purchase, use, and dispose of products, services, and ideas to satisfy their needs and wants. Understanding consumer behavior from the complex perspectives of environmental, individual, and psychological influences provides a foundation for the formulation of effective marketing strategies. Prerequisite: MKT 101.
Blake, DeWitt, Diodati, Hoyle/Three credits

MKT 309 MARKETING MANAGEMENT
Relying on real world cases, students will learn to apply marketing concepts. This course will develop the application of specific analytic techniques, the ability to distinguish opinion from fact, and the articulation of decisions that can be defended on economic and practical grounds. Cases will cover a wide range of marketing topics, including target market and segmentation, consumer behavior, product strategy and positioning, pricing, promotion, strategy formulation, and optimum use of the marketing mix. Prerequisites: MKT 101 and Junior/Senior standing.
Blake, DeWitt, Diodati, Hoyle, LeBlanc/Three credits

MKT 310 ADVERTISING
This course is an in-depth treatment of all of the activities involved in presenting a non-personal, sponsor-identified message about a product, service, or organization to the consumer. Topics included are advertising campaign objective-setting, message creativity and development, optimal media mix selections, and advertising agency coordination. Prerequisite: MKT 101.
Blake, DeWitt, Diodati, Drouart/Three credits

MKT 312 SALES MANAGEMENT
This course examines all facets of the personal communication process used to persuade a prospective customer to purchase a good, service, or idea. This is accomplished from both the perspective of the salesperson and the Sales Manager. Included in this in-depth examination are topics, such as outbound and inbound (800 & 900) telemarketing, types of sales organizations, the personal selling process, sales force recruitment and selection, sales force motivation, and compensation. Prerequisite: MKT 101.
DeWitt, Diodati, Lewis/Three credits

MKT 314 SERVICES MARKETING
This course examines the marketing of services from the perspective of managers responsible for the day-to-day execution of business plans and strategies. Topics include: the Nature of Services, the Service Consumer, Service Delivery Systems, Services Management, Services Marketing Communications, and Services Pricing Strategies. Prerequisite: MKT 101.
DeWitt, Diodati, Hoyle/Three credits

MKT 316 PUBLIC RELATIONS
This is a practitioner-level course which melds business goals and the writing process to deliver a set of skills which bridges the information gap between organizations and their publics. Topics include: Basics of Style, Media Relations, Press Releases, Brochures, Newsletters, Magazines, Annual Reports, Media Copy Writing, Speech Writing, and the use of Web Pages. Prerequisite: MKT 101.
Blake, DeWitt, Diodati, /Three credits
MKT 322 BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS MARKETING
The purpose of this course is to introduce you to business-to-business marketing by identifying the distinctive characteristics of the business market, exploring the way in which organizations make buying decisions, and isolating the requirements for marketing strategy success. The course also provides a perfect vehicle for profiling leading business marketing firms such as IBM, Cardinal Health, Cisco Systems, Dell Computer, and others that demonstrate best practices in marketing strategy. Because more than half of all business school graduates are employed by firms that compete in the business market this is a relevant and useful field of study. Prerequisites: MGT 100, and MKT 101.
Staff/Three credits

MKT 326 MARKETING ON THE INTERNET
This course is designed to teach students how to integrate the Internet into marketing and business communication functions. The objective of this course is to increase students’ understanding of the complexity of marketing goods and services on the Internet. This will be accomplished through an analysis of the marketing/communication perspective. Students will study the concepts and business models of electronic commerce as these relate to the development and implementation of successful Internet strategies. Prerequisites: CSC 113, MKT 101.
Blake, Hoyle, LeBlanc/Three credits

MKT 327 SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING
This course will cover one of the fastest growth areas within the marketing discipline—social media marketing. Over the last half dozen years, organizations have shifted more of their marketing expenditures from traditional to digital marketing campaigns. And, within digital marketing, expenditures for campaigns that involve social media tactics have grown exponentially. Although specific social media platforms or channels such as MySpace, Facebook or Twitter may come and go, the underlying principles behind social media of engaging present and potential customers with content that they want to share with others are here to stay. Prerequisite: MKT 101
Hoyle/Three credits

MKT 344 SPORTS MARKETING
Students electing this course explore the various segments of the sports business in the United States and around the world. The course utilizes the basic elements of strategic marketing (consumer, product, price, place, and promotion) and relates them to the business of sports. Topics include the consumer as a sports participant and spectator, the fan cost index, sponsorships, endorsements, event marketing, sports advertisements, sports media, sporting goods, lifestyle marketing, and more. Prerequisite: MKT 101.
Lewis/Three credits

MKT 346 SPORT MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION
This course introduces students to the role of communications in sports as well as the growing usage of new media technology. Students will explore the various channels for communication within the sport industry and how sport organizations communicate with their target markets and other stakeholders. Areas of focus will include the use of public relations, television, radio, print media, as well as digital technologies. Special attention will be paid to how sport organizations leverage new technologies such as the internet, mobile technology, social networking, streaming video, and user-enhanced content. Prerequisite: MKT 101
Hoyle/Three credits

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION

OCM 200 COMMUNICATION THEORY
An introduction to the study of Communication, required of all Organizational Communication majors. This course includes a survey of basic theories of the human communication process, and an examination of communication theory in five business related contexts: (1) group communication, (2) inter/intra cultural communication, (3) interpersonal communication, (4) mass communication, and (5) organizational communication. This is a prerequisite course for OCM 333. (Fall only)
DeWitt/Three credits

OCM 333 STRATEGIC MANAGERIAL COMMUNICATION
Strategic Managerial Communication studies communication within the organization as a key component of strategy implementation. This course investigates the vital role of communication as a mode of strategy implementation through an understanding of strategy-related management behavior. The course examines organizational theory within several contexts: organizations communicating to employees and to the outside world, as well as internal communication among employees and supervisors. Prerequisites: ENG 130, MGT 100, MKT 101, OCM 200. (Spring)
DeWitt/Three credits

OCM 398 PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT
Professional communicators must possess sound knowledge of their current skills and abilities as well as an understanding of the expectations of professional employment. In order to remain competitive in today’s changing work environment, professional communicators collect and showcase their skills, abilities, knowledge, and experience in a portfolio. The portfolio development process will assist the student to recognize and document the transferable skills they have already acquired through formal education and informal learning experiences. Students will analyze their prior learning within the context of the communication profession. They will document prior learning (knowledge and skills) and identify skills that they may need or want to develop in the future. The portfolio they develop will
include at least 10 elements ranging from a basic resume and professional network to writing samples and work that demonstrates computer competency. The portfolio will help the student develop a learning plan and action plan to enhance his/her competitiveness in the workplace and within the communication profession. Prerequisite: MKT 101.

OCM 399  INTERNSHIP IN BUSINESS
This course is designed to provide student interns with a valuable experiential learning opportunity, and includes a field-based internship experience of a minimum of 120 hours for the semester in the private, non-profit, entrepreneurial or governmental sector. Students attend a weekly seminar to discuss organizational behavior and management concepts and to share observations about their internship experiences. Students assess their career competencies, organizational culture preferences, risk tolerances and supervision/feedback requirements to determine their optimal career paths. They also conduct informational interviews with professionals in their career field or industry of interest. All students complete an observation/reflection paper which documents and analyzes organizational theory and applies it to experiential consequences and behavior. Prerequisites: Juniors/ Seniors, 2.8 GPA, permission of instructor.

DeWitt, Staff/Three credits
The Department of Economics and Global Studies seeks to educate students about economic, social, and cultural relationships in an increasingly interdependent world. The department provides students with opportunities to acquire disciplinary knowledge in the areas of economics and geography, while encouraging the pursuit of a multi-disciplinary education. Our programs emphasize the development of critical intelligence and an appreciation for diverse, evidence-based perspectives in order to prepare students for a lifetime of engaged citizenship.

Through exposure to the theoretical and empirical methods of economics and geography, students develop a greater understanding of the complex world in which they live, and are able to critically evaluate options available for improving that world. Upon graduation, our students are prepared for careers in a wide array of fields in the private sector (such as banking and other financial services, business administration, marketing, sales, journalism, consulting, or entrepreneurship) or the public sector (government or non-profit analyst/researcher, etc.). In addition, our graduates are prepared to succeed in graduate school in a variety of disciplines, including economics, geography, foreign affairs, law, political science, finance, and business.

**LEARNING GOALS**
The Department of Economics and Global Studies has identified the following specific learning goals for our students:

1. To develop an understanding of the basic principles, concepts, and theories of the disciplines that we teach.
2. To develop an ability to retrieve economic and geographic information.
3. To develop an ability to use economic and geographic data using appropriate disciplinary methodology.
4. To develop an ability to apply economic and geographic knowledge to critically analyze problems and their potential solutions.
5. To develop effective written and oral communication skills.

**MAJOR IN ECONOMICS (11)**
A major in economics provides students with tools that are helpful in understanding the complex economic forces at work in society. In part, this understanding comes from learning factual information about economic events and institutions. However, economic facts are best viewed through the lens of economic theory, while economic data should be evaluated using careful statistical analysis. The undergraduate major in economics emphasizes applications of economic theory and analysis to a wide variety of real-world events and arrangements in both the private and public sectors. An economics major is excellent preparation for direct entry into a career or for graduate work in economics, business, law, public administration, or international affairs. Students considering graduate school in economics are strongly encouraged to complete a minor or second major in mathematics as a strong background in mathematics is required for admittance to such programs. Please consult with the economics faculty for suggestions on which mathematics electives would be most appropriate. Within economics, there are two possible majors: Economics, and Economics with Business Concentration. Students in both majors are required to complete the seven courses that make up the economics core, plus four to eight additional courses.

**Economics Core (7):**
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 215 Econometrics I
- ECO 310 Microeconomic Theory
- ECO 311 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECO 499 Senior Research Seminar

**Business Concentration (7):**
- ECO 325 Corporate Finance
- ECO 353 International Trade
- ECO 329 Monetary and Financial Institutions
- ECO 354 International Finance
- ECO 323 Labor Economics

Note: Calculus (MAT 117 or 131) is a prerequisite for ECO 310: Microeconomic Theory. Additional mathematics courses beyond calculus are especially important for students considering graduate school in economics or business.

A student who chooses to major in economics while minoring in finance will need to take a total of 11 ECO courses.

**MAJOR IN ECONOMICS WITH BUSINESS CONCENTRATION (14)**

**Economics Core (7):**
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 215 Econometrics I
- ECO 310 Microeconomic Theory
- ECO 311 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECO 499 Senior Research Seminar

**Business Concentration (7):**
- ECO 325 Corporate Finance
- ECO 353 International Trade
- ECO 329 Monetary and Financial Institutions
- ECO 354 International Finance
- ECO 323 Labor Economics

OR

**MAJOR IN ECONOMICS WITH POLITICAL SCIENCE CONCENTRATION (14)**

**Economics Core (7):**
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 215 Econometrics I
- ECO 310 Microeconomic Theory
- ECO 311 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECO 499 Senior Research Seminar

**Political Science Concentration (7):**
- POL 211 Introduction to Political Science
- POL 221 International Relations
- POL 231 American Politics
- POL 241 Comparative Politics
- POL 251 Political Theory
- POL 311 Research Methods
- POL 321 Political Theory seminar

OR

**MAJOR IN ECONOMICS WITH GEOGRAPHY CONCENTRATION (14)**

**Economics Core (7):**
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 215 Econometrics I
- ECO 310 Microeconomic Theory
- ECO 311 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECO 499 Senior Research Seminar

**Geography Concentration (7):**
- GEO 111 Introduction to Geography
- GEO 121 Physical Geography
- GEO 131 Human Geography
- GEO 211 Environmental Change
- GEO 221 Urban Geography
- GEO 231 Geographic Information Systems
- GEO 311 Advanced Geographic Information Systems

OR

**MAJOR IN ECONOMICS WITH HISTORY CONCENTRATION (14)**

**Economics Core (7):**
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 215 Econometrics I
- ECO 310 Microeconomic Theory
- ECO 311 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECO 499 Senior Research Seminar

**History Concentration (7):**
- HIST 111 Introduction to History
- HIST 121 American History
- HIST 131 European History
- HIST 211 World History
- HIST 221 African History
- HIST 231 Asian History
- HIST 311 Research Methods

OR

**MAJOR IN ECONOMICS WITH PHILOSOPHY CONCENTRATION (14)**

**Economics Core (7):**
- ECO 110 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECO 111 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECO 115 Statistics
- ECO 215 Econometrics I
- ECO 310 Microeconomic Theory
- ECO 311 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECO 499 Senior Research Seminar

**Philosophy Concentration (7):**
- PHIL 111 Introduction to Philosophy
- PHIL 121 Ethics
- PHIL 131 Logic
- PHIL 211 Metaphysics
- PHIL 221 Philosophy of Mind
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**Total 14 Courses**

*Note: Calculus (MAT 117 or 131) is a prerequisite for ECO 310: Microeconomic Theory. Additional mathematics courses beyond calculus are especially important for students considering graduate school in economics or business.*

Students majoring in Economics with Business Concentration may find it difficult to minor in Finance due to course sequencing. The Department instead recommends combining a major in Economics with a minor in Finance.

### MINORS IN ECONOMICS

Students interested in furthering their knowledge in economics may choose from several minors. For purposes of double counting against a major, ECO 110–111 are considered one course.

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Plus three Economics Electives at the 200 level or above selected in consultation with a department member to achieve a particular objective.

*Note: Students majoring in ACC, MGT, MKT or INB typically need to take 3 additional ECO courses beyond those required for the major to complete a minor in economics.*

#### MINOR IN FINANCE (7)

Students who intend to seek employment in business after graduation might consider completing a minor in Finance.

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#### MINOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (6)

In cooperation with the Department of Natural Sciences, students may expand their study of environmental problems with a Minor in Environmental Studies. This program will appeal to students who have an interest in environmental policy.

One (1) Environmental Science with lab
One (1) course from Section A
Four (4) courses from Section B

Environmental Science w/Lab choose (1) one of the following:

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Section A choose (1) one of the following (may be taken with or without a lab):

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ECO 235  Environmental Economics
ENV 260  Water Resources Planning and Management*
OR
ENV 280  Coastal Zone Management *

* Available through the Marine Studies Consortium

MAJOR IN GLOBAL STUDIES (11 OR 12)
A major in Global Studies provides students with an opportunity to explore the problems facing our increasingly interconnected world, with a particular emphasis on regions outside Europe and the United States. Through a carefully selected set of courses from across the curriculum students are not only given the tools necessary to understand contemporary global issues, but are also empowered to respond effectively. In addition to required coursework, students are expected to complete a semester abroad where they benefit from immersion in a different place and culture.

Students majoring in Global Studies may pursue careers in international business, media, education, law, government, or the non-profit sector.

There are five components to the major in Global Studies: the Global Studies Core, Global Studies Depth, Global Studies Electives, Study Abroad, and a required Minor.

I. Global Studies Core (6 courses)
   GLS 100: Introduction to Global Studies
   GEO 100: Human and Physical Geography
   ANT 131: Cultural Anthropology
   ECO 110: Principles of Microeconomics
   ECO 252: Economic Development
   POL 207: Peace and War

II. Global Studies Depth (2 courses)
   One of the following:
   GEO 108: World Population Issues
   GEO 222: Regional Geography of South America
   GEO 224: Regional Geography of Asia
   GEO 232: Regional Geography of Africa

   One of the following:
   HIS 242: Russia since 1917
   HIS 251: Latin America since 1821
   HIS 282: Japan since 1868
   HIS 283: Modern China: War and Revolution
   HIS 291: Islamic Middle East II (Since 1800)
   HIS 389: Special Topics (with approval of department chair)

III. Global Studies Electives (3 courses)
   Any 3 of the following:
   GEO 106, 108, 134, 251
   HIS 242, 251, 282, 283, 291
   ANT 231, 236

IV. Study Abroad, Internship, or Senior Research Project
   All Global Studies majors are expected to spend a semester in a college-approved study abroad program. Courses completed in such programs are likely to count as Global Studies electives subject to the approval of the department chair.

   As an alternative to study abroad, students may choose to spend a semester in Washington D.C. through The Internship Program at The Washington Center (TWC), provided the internship placement is international in scope, subject to approval of the department chair.

   Students who for financial or other reasons are unable to complete a semester abroad or Washington Internship will be expected to complete an independent research project which incorporates a multi-disciplinary approach to analyze a specific global issue. This project can be completed as an independent study, subject to the approval of the department chair.

V. Required Minor
   All Global Studies students are required to complete a minor. The minor should be chosen in consultation with the student’s advisor. The department encourages students to consider minors offered by the Department of Modern and Classical Languages. Alternatively, minors in Latin American Studies, Geography, Economics, Business, Anthropology, History, and Political Science are good complements to a Global Studies major. Other minors may be acceptable as long as they are approved by the department chair.

MINOR IN GLOBAL STUDIES (6)
A minor in Global Studies allows a student to add a global dimension to their program of study. By combining courses in geography, economics, history, politics, and anthropology students choosing to minor in Global Studies acquire an understanding of contemporary global issues that can complement many majors.

Minor in Global Studies (6 courses)
   Required:
   GLS 100: Introduction to Global Studies
   GEO 100: Human and Physical Geography
MAJOR OR MINOR IN GEOGRAPHY
A Geography minor will be approved for a student who successfully completes six (6) courses (18 credits) in geography. These courses normally are a mixture of physical and human geography courses as selected in consultation with the Department. Internships with local firms, social agencies, or government offices are recommended whenever possible as part of a minor program. A major in Geography is available through a petition process and is an excellent preparation for teaching opportunities. See department chair for details.

MAJOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
(see Natural Sciences)

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW: The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

COURSE descriptions

ECONOMICS (ECO)

(Prerequisite: MAT 111. (Fall, Spring)

Staff/Three credits

ECONOMICS (ECO)

(ECO 110 is a prerequisite for ECO 111, and the ECO 110–111 sequence is a prerequisite for most Economics courses.)

ECO 110 PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS

An examination of the basic theory and performance of the household, business, and government in determining the nature of the output of the economy and its distribution among the members of the society. Policy issues considered may include public control of business, labor unions, agriculture, the environment, income distribution and poverty, and international trade. ECO 110 may be taken to satisfy the Core requirement for Social Science. Prerequisite: MAT 111. (Fall, Spring)

Staff/Three credits

ECO 111 PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS

An analysis of the basic theory of aggregate economic activity and the application of the theory to current policy problems. Topics include national income accounting, the determinants of the level of income and employment, money and banking, fiscal and monetary policies, and economic growth and stability. Prerequisite: ECO 110. (Fall, Spring)

Staff/Three credits

ECO 115 STATISTICS

The purpose of this course is to develop an understanding on an introductory level of how statistical inferences are made in the face of uncertainty. The underlying role of probability is stressed. A secondary purpose is the application of various test designs to formulate research questions. These designs include: t tests, analysis of variance, chi square analysis, and linear regression. (Counts as a second math course in the core curriculum) Prerequisite: MAT 111. (Fall, Spring)

Fahy, Kantarelis, Moore, Volz/Three credits

ECO 210 ECONOMICS OF WOMEN, MEN, AND WORK

This course examines the work of women and men in the home and in the labor market. Economic decisions within the family are examined including the division of labor and the decision to engage in market work. Topics include: a historical perspective on women’s emergence in the workplace; comparative advantage within families; the effects of consumerism; and international comparisons. This is followed by an investigation into the underlying causes of the gender wage gap and the degree of poverty among women. The effects of government and business policies such as family leave, social security, affirmative action and social programs are discussed throughout. Prerequisites: ECO 110. (Spring, Alternate years)

Fahy/Three Credits

ECO 212 ECONOMICS OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR

Micro-economic and macro-economic theory is applied in an analysis of the role of the public sector in the United States economy. Following a consideration of the institutional arrangements that determine the magnitude of local, state, and federal taxes and expenditures, micro-theory is applied to the analysis of the impact of public finance on private sector behavior. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111. (Fall, Alternate Years)

Fahy, Volz/Three credits

ECO 215 ECONOMETRICS I

This course is about the construction of hypotheses and the specification of statistical methodology for testing those
hypotheses. Students will learn estimation of parameters and inferential analysis, and how to apply these concepts to forecasting and policy. The course starts with the multiple linear regression model, after the properties of the ordinary least-squares estimator are studied in detail and a number of tests developed, it continues with specification, multicollinearity, autocorrelation, heteroskedasticity, and dummy variables. Prerequisites: ECO 115. (Fall)

Fahy, Kantarelis, Volz/Three credits

ECO 230 LAW AND ECONOMICS

The objective of the course is to show how economic thinking may facilitate legal thinking in its attempt to ‘create’ efficient legal rules. After an overview of microeconomics and legal institutions, the course turns to the economics of the principal areas of the common and criminal laws. More specifically, it deals with the existing economic theories of property, contracts, torts, crime, and their applications. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111. (Spring, Alternate Years)

Kantarelis/Three credits

ECO 233 URBAN ECONOMICS

The course introduces students to the major economic issues facing metropolitan areas. Topics that will be discussed include how and why cities are formed, urban housing markets and land-use patterns, the impact that local public finance and zoning decisions have on urban development, economic causes of the concentration of poverty in inner cities, and the causes and consequences of urban sprawl. Prerequisite: ECO 110–111. (Alternate Years)

White/Three credits

ECO 235 ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

The course examines the relationship between the environment, markets, and business organizations. After an overview of the economics of the environment, it focuses on (among other topics) property rights, externalities, human population problems, the allocation of depletable, renewable, and other resources, cost-benefit analysis, regulation and taxation, and the trading of pollution rights. Prerequisite: ECO 110. (Alternate Years)

Kantarelis, White/Three credits

ECO 250 SPECIAL TOPICS IN ECONOMICS

Special topics in Economics are offered occasionally. These courses expand our current offerings and respond to changing student concerns, interests or more general worldwide topics of importance. These courses can be interdisciplinary in nature. They will be taught at the intermediate level. Some may require prerequisites or could be restrictive in some other manner.

ECO 252 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Problems encountered by less developed countries. Theories of development are presented, followed by problems of capital accumulation, resource and population issues, strategies for agricultural and industrial development, government’s role, and relationships between developing and developed economies. Prerequisites: ECO 110. (Spring, Alternate Years)

Rao/Three credits

ECO 264 COMPARATIVE ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

This course is an in-depth, comparative study of the rising economic powers of Asia and/or Central and Eastern Europe. Countries selected for study may include, among others, China, India, Russia and Poland. It examines such areas as transfer of firm ownership from the state to private investors, removal of price controls, macroeconomic stabilization, and the international economic relations of these countries, particularly their relationship with and impact upon the United States economy. Prerequisites: ECO 110. (Spring, Alternate Years)

Rao/Three credits

ECO 301 MICROECONOMIC THEORY

The primary purpose of this course is to develop the ability to analyze the economic behavior of individuals, businesses, and government, in the light of economic principles. Topics include consumer theory, production and costs, various market structures and related models, and welfare considerations. Should be taken before senior year. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111, MAT 117 or 131. (Fall)

Fahy, Kantarelis, Rao/Three credits

ECO 310 MACROECONOMIC THEORY

The modern theory of aggregate economic behavior is considered through development of comparative static models that include the principal aggregate variables associated with determination of output, employment and prices. The problems of economic growth are introduced by using a limited number of the basic dynamic models. Should be taken before senior year. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111. (Spring)

ECO 311 MACROECONOMIC THEORY

McGee, White/Three credits

ECO 315 ECONOMETRICS II

After an overview of multiple regression, the course deals with simultaneous-equation models, instrumental variables, time series forecasting (var, cointegration, ARCH / GARCH), regression with panel data, and regression with binary dependent variables. The last portion of the course is spent on studying classic applications found in literature and on applied work undertaken by students on various topics of their choice. Prerequisite: ECO 215. (Offered as needed.)

Kantarelis/Three credits

ECO 323 LABOR ECONOMICS

This course applies economic theory to labor market issues. It makes use of the analytical tools of micro- and macroeconomics in an examination of productivity, pricing, and allocation of labor resources. Public policy issues are covered including discrimination, manpower development, income maintenance programs, collective bargaining,
and unemployment. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111. (Fall, Alternate Years)
Volz/Three credits

ECO 325 CORPORATE FINANCE
Introduction to the principles and techniques utilized in the financial management of business. Topics to be covered include: interpretation of financial statements, time value of money, stock and bond valuation, ratio analysis, risk and return, capital budgeting, cost of capital, leverage, and capital structure. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111, ACC 125. (Fall, Spring)
Fahy, McGee, Volz, White/Three credits

ECO 329 MONETARY AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
A study of the role of money and monetary institutions in the economy. A parallel development of the monetary theory and institutions that determine public monetary policy and its influence on domestic and international economic activity. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111. (Fall)
McGee, White/Three credits

ECO 331 INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION
The course is concerned with the organization of industries in a market environment. It focuses on the market structure, conduct, and performance of industries in the USA. In addition, attention is given to antitrust policy regarding price-fixing agreements, control of market structures, and restrictions on conduct. Prerequisites ECO 110–111. (Fall, Alternate Years)
Fahy, Kantarelis, Volz/Three credits

ECO 340 THE ECONOMICS OF SPORTS
This course applies economic modeling to a number of issues surrounding professional and college sports in the United States. Market structure and game theory will be used to analyze the decision making process for the owners of professional sports teams. Public financing issues are addressed in the context of the funding of stadiums and arenas. A number of labor market topics will be examined including monopsony, labor unions and the economics of discrimination. Finally, collusion, game theory and human capital investment are examined in the context of college sports. Prerequisites: ECO 110 and 115. (May be taken with ECO 115) (Spring, Alternate Years)
Fahy, Volz/Three credits

ECO 353 INTERNATIONAL TRADE
An examination of the theory of international trade and policies followed by governments with respect to trade of goods and services among countries. Theory examines the gains from trade under classical and modern assumptions, and the impact of various measures used by governments to either restrict or promote trade. Policy analysis focuses on U.S. trade policies and the role of the World Trade Organization. Current topics include trade and the environment, NAFTA, U.S.-China trade, and others as appropriate. Prerequisites: ECO 110 and Junior/Senior standing. (Fall)
Kantarelis, McGee, Rao/Three credits

ECO 354 INTERNATIONAL FINANCE
This course covers open economy macroeconomics. Topics include: balance of payments accounting, exchange rate determination, monetary and fiscal policy, and macroeconomic modeling. After examining standard theories and models, the course will explore case studies from recent history in numerous countries. The case studies will focus on: debt and balance of payments crises, speculative currency attacks, European monetary union, International Monetary Fund policy, and the value of the U.S. dollar. Students will engage in research projects. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111 and Junior/Senior standing. (Spring)
Kantarelis, McGee, Rao/Three credits

ECO 357 INVESTMENT THEORY
An examination of investment decision making using economic analysis. Topics include types of investments, investment objectives, investment return and risk, security analysis, portfolio theory, the efficient market hypothesis, fundamental analysis, technical analysis, the capital asset pricing model, and other topics to be chosen by the instructor. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111, ECO 115. (Spring)
White/Three credits

ECO 399 INDEPENDENT STUDY IN ECONOMICS
Individually supervised study with one or more professors on an advanced topic. Open to qualified juniors and seniors with the permission of the Chair. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three credits

ECO 499 RESEARCH SEMINAR
Required of all Economics majors in their final semester. Course theme is chosen by the instructor. Research projects will be planned and carried out by students under faculty guidance. Seminar meetings provide the opportunity for discussions of students’ research and what it means to be an economist in today’s world. Useful for seniors in other social sciences and business studies. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

GLOBAL STUDIES
The Global Studies Program is an interdisciplinary major that combines courses in the social sciences and humanities in order to gain a greater understanding of issues that are global in scope. The student majoring in Global Studies sometimes pursues study of a foreign language, or a quantitative, business or computer-related skill to complement the major program. A minor is required of all global studies majors. See the full description of the Global Studies Program for a description of course options.

GLOBAL STUDIES (GLS)

GLS 100 INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL STUDIES
The course introduces students to several of today’s most pressing global issues and demonstrates how they are interconnected. It explores, subject to various perspectives,
the issues of ethnic violence, world water concerns, climate change, spread of tropical diseases, development basics and current international status of HIV/AIDS. Attention is devoted to the debate over globalization and the development of international institutions. (Fall) Available to freshmen/sophomores or by permission. Counts in the core as a social science.

Kantarelis, Hickey/Three credits

GEOGRAPHY (GEO)
In addition to being a significant component of the Global Studies Program, Any Geography course will fulfill the core social science requirement. Also, GEO 100, 101 & 103 fulfill the core requirement of a second natural science course without a lab.

GEO 100  INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL AND HUMAN GEOGRAPHY
A general examination of everyday physical occurrences of the earth. A wide range of topics is briefly covered, including global warming, storms, earth-moon relationships, oceans, land forms, erosion, weather, and climate. Physical effects on the human environment, activities potential, and limitations are investigated. The course is geared to students with no background in physical science. Students who have taken GEO 101 or 103 should not enroll. Course counts in Core as science without a lab. (Fall)

Hickey/Three credits

GEO 101  INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL OCEANOGRAPHY
An introductory look at physical and chemical properties of sea water, marine geology, ocean currents, tides, deep-ocean circulation, bottom topography, marine life, sediments, and the sea’s resource potential will be discussed. No science background is necessary, only an interest in the field. The purpose of the course is to give the student an overall understanding of the environment which constitutes 73% of the earth’s surface. Course counts in Core as science without a lab. (Spring, Alternate Years)

Hickey/Three credits

GEO 103  INTRODUCTORY METEOROLOGY
An introductory examination of our atmosphere with special attention being paid to the study of weather phenomena and their causes. Practical use of meteorological data, climatic controls, weather systems, and weather prediction exercises. No science background is necessary, only an interest in the field. Course counts in Core as science without a lab. (Spring, Alternate Years)

Hickey/Three credits

GEO 106  HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA
A study of social and physical geographic motivations and restraints that helped to develop the United States. Emphasis will be mainly post-1800, with particular attention to settlement patterns, ethnicity, city growth, slave agriculture, economic development, transportation, life styles, economics, and westward expansion. Stress will be on geographic implications in historical fact. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Fall, Alternate Years)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 108  WORLD POPULATION ISSUES
Lecture and open discussion on current population problems existing in the world today. Topics will include statistical processes, world food production and standards, female roles, adolescent pregnancy, migration, medical assistance, world economic issues, developing countries, issues on aging, foreign aid, and responses to population pressures, especially in urban areas. Same as SOC 108. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Fall, Alternate Years)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 134  CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Topical study of issues relating to natural resources: their use, abuse, and future potential. U.S. resources will be stressed. A partial list of topics dealt with includes our carbon footprint, energy, alternative energy, water, fish resources, the Law of the Seas, waste disposal, environmental laws, and effective regional planning. Other issues will arise from class projects and discussion. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Fall, Alternate Years)

Hickey/Three credits

GEO 222  REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF SOUTH AMERICA
A systematic study of the current physical and cultural landscape of the area south of the Panama Canal. Individual countries and discussions of issues concerning all of South America will be stressed. Topics to be covered include current political structures, resource base, agriculture, land tenure, and the economic development potential of South American countries. Western policy regarding this area completes the course. Open to all students. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Spring, Alternate Years)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 224  REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF ASIA
A geographic survey stressing physical and cultural features. India, S.E. Asia, China, and Japan are discussed regarding their populations, resources, development problems and potentials. Current policy and changes regarding South Asia and the Pacific Rim’s future economic and political role are discussed. Open to all students. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Spring, as needed)
Hickey/Three Credits

GEO 226  REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF ANGLO AMERICA
A study of the major physical, cultural, and current economic components of the U.S. and Canada. Relationships between the physical environment and current economic activity will be stressed. Some time will be spent reviewing current trends in population, urban growth, and
natural resources. Open to all students. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Fall, as needed)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 232  REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF AFRICA
The object of this course is to attain a fundamental economic/geographic conceptual view of Africa as it exists today. Political geography as well as the region's physical terrain, climate, and resources will be studied. Land use patterns and the interrelationships between natural environment and human economic activities, especially AIDS, give focus to the materials. Readings on current issues are assigned. Western policy regarding this area completes the course. Open to all students. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Spring, as needed)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 250  SPECIAL TOPICS IN GEOGRAPHY
Special topics in Geography are offered occasionally. These courses expand our current offerings and respond to changing student concerns, interests or more general worldwide topics of importance. These courses can be interdisciplinary in nature. They will be taught at the intermediate level. Some may require prerequisites or could be restrictive in some other manner. Counts in Core as Social Science.

GEO 251  ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY
A theoretical look at what creates economies and how they interrelate with physical and human environments. The course has no prerequisites although some knowledge of basic economics is helpful. It begins with an introduction to world economic systems and ranges through economic location theory, retail site analysis, and industrial location, as well as transportation, urban economics and housing. Open to all students. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Spring, Alternate Years)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 252  INTRODUCTION TO LAND USE POLICY
The course reviews many landmark land use and legal cases, which established land use planning in the United States beginning in the 20th century. Historic, precedent setting, cases will be discussed. Topics such as nuisance, zoning regulation, spot zoning, aesthetic planning, resource protection and general due process will be discussed. Some geographic and urban theory as it applies today, will be reviewed. No knowledge of law is necessary. This is not a class in law but is based on legal applications of land use policy. Class discussion and case readings are the focus of the class. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Spring, Alternate Years)
Hickey/Three credits

GEO 399  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN GEOGRAPHY
Individually supervised study with one or more professors on an advanced topic. Open to qualified Juniors and Seniors with the permission of the department chairperson. Counts in Core as Social Science. (Fall/Spring)
Hickey/Three credits
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Note. The Education Major requirements apply to the class of 2018 but may be adopted by the classes of 2015–2017. The program is contingent upon approval by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

MAJOR IN EDUCATION

Mission Statement of the Education Department
The Department of Education at Assumption College seeks to prepare its students to teach competently and effectively in a modern classroom environment. The department also strives to educate its students to exemplify good character and integrity in their professional lives.

Learning Goals of the Major in Education
By the conclusion of their studies in the Education major, Assumption College students will demonstrate:

- an ability to communicate effectively in written and oral form;
- an ability to articulate various social and civic contexts of schooling,
- a competent knowledge of the content within the field(s) of licensure in line with respective Massachusetts and national standards;
- practices of effective teaching, guided by an expressed understanding of sound instruction and research-derived methods;
- the ability to improve practice based upon self-evaluation of teaching;
- a commitment to professional obligations and responsibilities.

General Information/Program Information
To achieve excellence in teacher preparation, Assumption programs emphasize liberal arts and science study, an array of pre-professional courses, and guided field experience and supervised teaching practice [practicum] in area schools. This combination provides a mutually reinforcing program of study designed to prepare teachers who are knowledgeable, competent, and reflective. It is important to note that education majors carry an extensive program which, in rare instances, may extend beyond the usual eight-semester time frame.

Assumption College offers the following state approved teacher preparation programs for the Massachusetts Initial license in the following areas:

- Biology [grades 5–8 or 8–12]
- Chemistry [grades 5–8 or 8–12]
- English [grades 5–8 or 8–12]
- French [grades 5–12]
- General Science [grades 5–8]
- History [grades 5–8 or 8–12]
- Latin & Classical Humanities [grades 5–12]
- Mathematics [grades 5–8 or 8–12]
- Spanish [grades 5–12]
- Special Education* (See below)

*For undergraduate students interested in Special Education, the Education Department offers a special, five-year program enabling a student to complete both a Bachelor of Arts degree in a liberal arts or science and the Master of Arts degree in Special Education. Students who successfully complete the program will be eligible for a Massachusetts Initial license as an elementary, middle, or secondary teacher as well as a Massachusetts Initial license as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities [grades PreK-8 or 5–12].

It is recommended that students interested in teacher licensure apply to the Education major during their sophomore year. Once accepted into the Education major (Stage 2), students subsequently declare their major in elementary (1–6), elementary/ middle (PreK-8), middle (5–8), middle/secondary (5–12), or secondary (8–12) education. It is recommended that students meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator as early as their first year, if they have any interest in teacher licensure. Such advising is especially crucial for those students interested in teaching at the elementary level because of the complexity of elementary teacher licensure requirements.

Students who successfully apply to the Education major are permitted to take Stage 2 courses within their respective chosen licensure option. Should a student successfully complete the Education major requirements (per the respective Education curricula and per the retention criteria) and the College Degree requirements, the student may be eligible to apply for a Massachusetts Teacher License following completion of the degree.

In the event that a student who is majoring in Education fails to satisfy one or more parameters of the Retention Criteria or who for various reasons decides not to teach, the student will no longer be permitted to take Stage 2 or Stage 3 courses and will be removed from the Education Major.

Individuals who complete approved programs under the Education Major are eligible for licensure reciprocity with the approximately 45 other states that are parties to the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Interstate Agreement, 2010–2015.

(Note. Assumption College responds to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in matters of teacher licensure. The College reserves the
right to modify its major in Education programs accordingly.
All Assumption students are alerted to changes in the education
program as is appropriate.)

Policies and Procedures for Applying to the
Education Major
Students interested in the major in Education are
invited to an informational meeting held in the fall
semester. At this meeting, they are informed about
relevant program requirements, department policies
regarding acceptance and retention in the program,
and Massachusetts licensure regulations for teachers at
the elementary, middle, and secondary levels. Students
also receive the necessary materials for application
to the program and an outline of the specific
undergraduate program of study that leads to Initial
licensure.

Because of the demands of the licensure programs,
students should meet with the Licensure Program
Coordinator for advising as early in their college
studies as possible. The Education Department
strongly recommends that students apply to the
Education major during the first semester of their
sophomore year. Students submit completed
applications to the Licensure Program Coordinator
by April 30th of their sophomore year. Applications
include the following: a program application, a
personal statement, two letters of recommendation (at
least one from a professional referee), confirmation of
Massachusetts-required fingerprinting identification,
and a signed acknowledgement of understanding
department policies. Students must also schedule an
appointment with the Licensure Program Coordinator
before a file is considered complete. It is the student’s
responsibility to schedule a meeting and ensure that
the application file is complete. No incomplete files
will be reviewed.

Criteria for Admission to Education Major
Admission to the Education major for all students,
including transfer students, is based upon the
following criteria. Students must have an overall
GPA of 2.8 to be accepted into the major, allowing
enrollment in Stage 2 courses. Students must also show
evidence of a time commitment to their personal goals
and to professional excellence. All full-time education
faculty members review the student applications
for admission the major in Education. Applicants
are informed of their status by the first week of the
following term.

Students wishing to pursue certain Stage 2 and
Stage 3 courses (prepracticum and practica) must
maintain the retention criteria described below.

Education Major Retention Criteria
Students accepted into the program are held to the
same standards required for admission, that is, an
overall GPA of 2.8. Additionally, students are expected
to demonstrate exemplary behavior and maintain a
strong record in the professional sequence of study to
continue in the Education major. Students who do not
satisfy one or more of the above criteria may not be
permitted to enroll in one or more prepracticum courses
during Stage 2 of the major.

Because a strong record in the professional
sequence of studies is required, students in the
Education major must take each Education course for a
letter grade with the exception of pre-practicum.

All Education majors must pass the Communication and Literacy Skills Test of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL) by the first day of the fall semester of their senior year. Further, students must pass the required subject test(s) of the MTEL by December 31st of their senior year to enroll in the practicum during the spring semester of the senior year (Stage 3). In addition to achieving passing scores on all required MTELS, all students are required to have at least an overall GPA of 3.0, and middle/secondary students must have at least an overall GPA of 3.0 in their content major to qualify for entrance into the practicum. Those students who have passed required Massachusetts licensure tests but whose GPA is between 2.80 and 2.99 must present to the education faculty a written defense of their candidacy for the practicum. In their defense, students must assess their academic performance to date and provide evidence of the progress they have made towards achieving the articulated academic and behavioral goals. Education faculty review student performance at the end of each semester, and students are informed of their status in the program.

Those students who do not meet the standards are withdrawn from the Education Major and are encouraged to meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator or Department Chairperson for further advising.

THE CURRICULUM
Below are the curricular requirements that pertain to
each of the five licensure options. Students interested
in one of the options should plan accordingly when
selecting courses of study as early as the Stage 1
courses (prior to applying to the major).

The requirements apply to the class of 2018
but may be adopted by the classes of 2015 onward.
The program is contingent upon approval by the
State Massachusetts Department of Elementary and
Secondary Education.

Option A: Elementary License with Concurrent
Major of Study Licensure as Elementary
Teacher (1–6)
Students who seek licensure as elementary teachers
(1–6) should meet with the Licensure Program
Coordinator during their first-year for program
advising, and they should apply to the major during their sophomore year. Part of the application includes meeting with the Licensure Program Coordinator. Prior to formal admission into the major, students may enroll in introductory Education courses (Stage 1) during the first year and sophomore years.

Regular and careful advising is crucial for those students seeking an Elementary teaching license. Once admitted to the major, students must meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator each semester for advising about course selection, program requirements, and their progress in the Education major. Students who intend a semester in off-campus study must also meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator to ensure that all program requirements will be met. Because Massachusetts licensure requirements stipulate competency in a breadth of liberal arts subject knowledge per State Regulations, the Education Department may require students to take additional liberal arts subject courses in addition to those stipulated within the Elementary requirements given below and Assumption’s General Education Core.

**Required Education Courses for the License in Elementary Education**

**Stage 1:** (open to all undergraduate students)
- EDU 101 Schools in American Society
- EDU 120 Teaching and Learning in the Elementary School
- EDU 221 Science and Technology in the Elementary Curriculum (prereq: EDU 101)
- EDU 260 Teaching Students with Special Needs (prereq: EDU 101 and EDU 120, or taken concurrently)

**Stage 2:** (open only to Education majors)
- EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners
- EDU 323 History and Social Science in the Elementary Curriculum
- EDU 324 Mathematics in the Elementary Curriculum
- EDU 325 Literacy Development and Instruction

**Stage 3:** (open only to Education majors who have completed all retention criteria)
- EDU 420 Practicum and Seminary in Elementary Education (12 credits)

*Must take with pre-practicum (field-based component)*
**indicates field-based course

**Requisite Liberal Arts Courses for the License in Elementary Education**

**English, history, math or science, following the Elementary Education Track within that discipline (where indicated), as given in the academic catalog.**

Current Massachusetts requirements for an Elementary license include at least 36 semester hours in upper and lower level arts and sciences coursework addressing the relevant subject knowledge areas.

To satisfy the subject matter knowledge requirements, students must complete the following courses selected through advising with the Licensure Program Coordinator.

**Written Composition**
- ENG 130 English Composition

**Literature**
- Introduction to Literature course [LTE 140 (including comparative literature or classical emphasis), FRE 140, ITA 140, or SPA 140]
- ENG 263 Children’s Literature

**Mathematics**
- At least two mathematics courses selected in consultation with the Licensure Program Coordinator.
- MAT 114 Elementary Functions or higher based upon first-year placement
- The following courses have been designed specifically for the needs of prospective elementary teachers.
- Required: MAT 150 Numbers and Operations for Educators (prerequisite MAT 114 or higher)
- MAT 151 Algebra, Geometry, and Data Analysis for Educators (prerequisite MAT 114 or higher)

**Science**
- At least one lab science course. BIO 140: Inquiry Biology for Educators is strongly recommended.

**History**
- Required: two history courses from among the following: HIS 114 West and the World I AND HIS 115 West and the World II OR HIS 116 History of Western Civilization I AND HIS 117 History of Western Civilization II
- (Recommended) HIS 180: United States History to 1877 and HIS 181: United States History Since 1877

**Psychology**
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood

**Art, Music and Theater**
- One course in Art, Music or Theater that satisfies the Core requirements.
[603 CMR 7.00 Regulations for Educator Licensure and Preparation Program Approval (Most Recently Amended by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education: June 26, 2012)]

- 7.05 (i) Route One is for teacher candidates who receive their preparation in approved undergraduate programs.
- 7.03 (3) (a) i. For elementary... not less than 36 semester hours in upper and lower level arts and sciences coursework addressing the relevant subject knowledge topics for those licenses set forth in 603 CMR 7.06. Some of this coursework might also count toward the required arts or sciences major or general education requirements.

Students interested in applying to the Education major are required to meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator to ensure they have the most current information about licensure regulations and required courses.

**Option B: Secondary License: Licensure as Subject-Specific Secondary Teacher (8-12)**

Assumption College currently offers state-approved subject-specific secondary teacher (8-12) licensure programs in the following fields: biology, chemistry, English, history, foreign language, and mathematics. Students planning to seek secondary teacher licensure are strongly encouraged to declare their intent by fall of the sophomore year. The student must meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator to apply formally for the Education major.

Students wishing to pursue the Secondary (8-12) Education major must also complete a major of study in their chosen academic discipline (biology, chemistry, English, history, or mathematics).

Once admitted to the program, students meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator each semester for advising about course selection, program requirements, and their progress in the Education major. The student who plans for any reason to spend a semester in off-campus study must also meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator in order to ensure that all program requirements will be met.

**Recommended Education Courses for the Secondary (8-12) License**

- EDU 330* The Middle School: Concept and Curriculum
- EDU 341* Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (5–12)
- EDU 265 Effective Classroom Management (prereq: EDU 101, EDU 140)

Please note that methods courses are currently scheduled in alternate years (see course descriptions).

**Stage 2:** (open only to Education majors)

- EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners
- EDU 342* Curriculum and Methods in English (5–8, 8–12)
- EDU 344* Curriculum and Methods in History and Social Science (5–8, 8–12)
- EDU 345* Curriculum and Methods in Mathematics (5–8, 8–12)
- EDU 346* Curriculum and Methods in Science and Technology (5–8, 8–12)

Please note that methods courses are currently scheduled in alternate years (see course descriptions).

**Stage 3:** (open only to Education majors who have completed all retention criteria)

- EDU 440** Practicum and Seminar in Middle/Secondary Education (12 credits)

**Recommended Education Courses for the Secondary (8-12) License**

- EDU 330* The Middle School: Concept and Curriculum
- EDU 341* Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (5–12)
- EDU 265 Effective Classroom Management (prereq: EDU 101, EDU 140)

* Must take with pre-practicum (field-based component)
** indicates field-based course

**Option C: Middle/Secondary License: Visual Art or Foreign Language Licensure as Subject-Specific Middle/Secondary Teacher (5-12)**

Assumption College currently offers state-approved programs for licensure as middle/secondary teacher (5-12) in the fields of French, Spanish, Latin and classical humanities, and visual art. Students planning to seek middle/secondary teacher licensure are strongly encouraged to declare their intent by fall of the sophomore year.

Students wishing to pursue the Middle/Secondary (5-12) License within the Education major must also complete a major of study in their chosen academic discipline (French, Spanish, Latin and classical humanities, or visual art).

The student must meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator each semester for advising about course selection, program requirements, and their progress in the Education major. The Education Department recognizes the importance of and supports study
abroad opportunities for students who seek licensure as teacher of language. Because of the demands of the major in Education, however, students who wish to study abroad should consult as early as possible with an advisor in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Cultures (MCLC) and the Licensure Program Coordinator in order to ensure that all program requirements will be met in a timely fashion. Students should take particular note of the schedule of methods courses and practicum in planning their semester abroad.

**Required Courses for the Middle/Secondary (5-12) License**

**Stage 1:** (open to all undergraduate students)
- EDU 101 Schools in American Society
- EDU 140 Teaching and Learning in the Middle/Secondary School
- EDU 260 Teaching Students with Special Needs (prereq: EDU 101 and EDU 140, or taken concurrently)
- PSY 181 Psychology of Adolescence and Maturity (must be taken prior to the practicum)

**Stage 2:** (open only to Education majors)
- EDU 330* The Middle School: Concept and Curriculum

One subject-specific methods course from the following:
- EDU 343* Curriculum and Methods in Foreign Languages (5–12)
- EDU 347* Curriculum and Methods in Visual Art

*Please note that methods courses are currently scheduled in alternate years (see course descriptions).*

**Stage 3:** (open only to Education majors who have completed all retention criteria)
- EDU 440** Practicum and Seminar in Middle/Secondary Education

**Recommended Education Course for the Subject-Specific Middle/Secondary (5-12) License**
- EDU 265 Effective Classroom Management
- EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners
- EDU 341* Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum* (5–12)

* Must take with pre-practicum (field-based component)
** indicates field-based course

**Option D: Middle School License: Licensure as Subject-Specific Middle School Teacher (5–8)**

Assumption College currently offers state-approved subject-specific middle school teacher (5–8) licensure programs in the following fields: biology, chemistry, English, general science, history, and mathematics. Students planning to seek subject-specific teacher licensure are strongly encouraged to declare their intent by fall of the sophomore year. The student must meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator to apply formally for the major in Education program. Once admitted to the program, students meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator each semester for advising about course selection, program requirements, and their progress in the Education major.

Students wishing to pursue the Middle School (5–8) License within the Education major must also complete a major of study in their chosen academic discipline (biology, chemistry, English, general science, history, or mathematics)

**Required Education Courses for the Middle School License, Subject Specific**

**Stage 1:** (open to all undergraduate students)
- EDU 101 Schools in American Society
- EDU 140 Teaching and Learning in the Middle/Secondary School
- EDU 260 Teaching Students with Special Needs (prereq: EDU 101 and EDU120/140, or taken concurrently)
- PSY 181 Psychology of Adolescence and Maturity (must be taken prior to the practicum)

**Stage 2:** (open only to Education majors)
- EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners
- EDU 330* The Middle School: Concept and Curriculum

One subject-specific methods course from among the following:
- EDU 342* Curriculum and Methods in English (5–8, 8–12)
- EDU 344* Curriculum and Methods in History and Social Science (5–8, 8–12)
- EDU 345* Curriculum and Methods in Mathematics (5–8, 8–12)
- EDU 346* Curriculum and Methods in Science and Technology (5–8, 8–12)

*Please note that methods courses are currently scheduled in alternate years (see course descriptions).*
Stage 3: (open only to Education majors who have completed all retention criteria)
- EDU 440** Practicum and Seminar in Middle/Secondary Education

**Recommended Courses for the Middle School License, Subject Specific**
- EDU 325* Literacy Development and Instruction
- EDU 341* Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (5–12)
- ENG 263 Children’s Literature
- EDU 265 Effective Classroom Management (prereq: EDU 101, EDU 140)

* Must take with pre-practicum (field-based component)
** indicates field-based course

**Option E: Visual Art License: Licensure as an Elementary/Middle School Teacher (PreK–8)**
Assumption College offers students a state-approved program for teacher of visual art (PreK-8). Students who seek licensure as a PreK-8 Art teacher should meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator during their first-year for advising, and they should apply to the program during their sophomore year. Students must meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator as part of their application to the major. Students may enroll in introductory Education courses during the first year and sophomore year without being formally admitted to the Education major. Once admitted to the major, students meet with the Licensure Program Coordinator each semester for advising about course selection, program requirements, and their progress in the Education major.

**Required Education Courses for the Visual Art License in Elementary/ Middle School Education (PreK–8)**
Stage 1: (open to all undergraduate students)
- EDU 101 Schools in American Society
- EDU 120 Teaching and Learning in the Elementary School
- EDU 260 Teaching Students with Special Needs (prereq: EDU 101 and EDU 120/140, or taken concurrently)
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood (also satisfies a Core requirement)
- PSY 181 Psychology of Adolescence and Maturity

Stage 2: (open only to Education majors)
- EDU 330* The Middle School Concept and Curriculum
- EDU 347* Curriculum and Methods in Visual Art

Please note that EDU 347 is currently scheduled in alternate years (see course description).

Stage 3: (open only to Education majors who have completed all retention criteria)
- EDU 420** Practicum and Seminar in Elementary Education
- EDU 440** Practicum and Seminar in Middle/Secondary Education (depending on practicum site)

* Must take with pre-practicum (field-based component)
** indicates field-based course

**Recommended Liberal Arts Course for the License in Elementary/Middle School Education**
- EDU 265 Effective Classroom Management
- ENG 263 Children’s Literature
- EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners

**MINOR IN EDUCATION**
A minor in education is a good option for those students interested in studying the broader social and foundational dimensions of education, without the requirements for teacher licensure. A minor in Education is available in consultation with the Licensure Program Coordinator. The student who declares the minor in education must take a total of six courses (18 credits) in education and related disciplines. The following four courses are required in addition to two elective courses selected in consultation with the Licensure Program Coordinator and approved by the Education Department Chairperson.

**Required Courses for the Minor In Education**
(4 required)
- EDU 101 Schools in American Society
- EDU 260 Teaching Students with Special Needs

One of the following sets of courses:
- EDU 120 Teaching and Learning in the Elementary School
  AND
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood
  OR
- EDU 140 Teaching and Learning in Middle/Secondary School
  AND
- PSY 181 Psychology of Adolescence and Maturity

**Required Courses for the Minor in Education**
(4 required)
- EDU 101 Schools in American Society
- EDU 260 Teaching Students with Special Needs
One of the following sets of courses:

- EDU 120 Teaching and Learning in the Elementary School
  AND
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood
  OR:
- EDU 140 Teaching and Learning in Middle/Secondary School
  AND
- PSY 181 Psychology of Adolescence and Maturity

Possible Elective Courses for the Minor in Education

- BIO 140 – Inquiry Biology for Educators
- PSY 190 or PSY 181 (if not used to satisfy an above requirement)
- PSY 210 – Social Psychology
- PSY 353 – Psychology of Learning
- ENG 263 – Children’s Literature
- SOC 121 – Principles of Sociology
- HRS 119 – Introduction to Human Rehabilitation Services
- HRS 121 – Human Development and Disability Across
- MAT 150 – Numbers and Operations for Educators
- MAT 151 – Algebra, Geometry and Data Analysis for Educators
- EDU 265 – Effective Classroom Management

**BA/MA PROGRAM FIFTH YEAR OPTION FOR THE MASTER OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION**

The Education Department offers a five-year program that allows a student to complete requirements for both the Bachelor of Arts degree in a liberal arts or science and the Master of Arts in Special Education degree. The program leads to eligibility for the Massachusetts Initial License for Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities (PreK-8, 5–12) as well as a Massachusetts Initial license in one of Assumption’s approved programs offered at the undergraduate level. Undergraduate students who are admitted to the BA/MA program must be eligible for Initial licensure as elementary, middle, or secondary teacher. If admitted to the program, they may begin taking graduate courses during the senior year and complete the master’s degree requirements in a fifth year of study at the College.

Undergraduate students who are considering applying to the BA/MA program should consult with the Licensure Program Coordinator during the spring semester of the junior year to discuss eligibility and application procedures. Assumption students who are interested in enrolling in the Master of Arts in Special Education program after their undergraduate studies should consult with the Director of the Special Education program to plan a course of study. Interested students may request information about the Master of Arts in Special Education from the Office of the Graduate Studies.

**Criteria for Early Admission to the Master of Arts in Special Education**

All undergraduate students who seek early admission to the Master of Arts in Special Education program must meet the following standards, and students in the Education Major are eligible and especially encouraged to apply.

- Candidates must have at least a 3.3 cumulative GPA and a 3.0 GPA in the major field of study;
- If they are not in the Major in Education, candidates must have a major in one of the Core academic subjects of the liberal arts and sciences appropriate to Massachusetts teacher licensure at the 5–12 level.

To apply for early admission to the fifth-year program, candidates must submit the following to the Office of the Graduate School, ordinarily by the end of the junior year:

- An official application form (fee waived for Assumption students);
- A transcript of undergraduate study;
- Three letters of recommendation;
- A current resume;
- A personal statement of interest.

Assumption students who seek a Massachusetts Initial license as elementary, middle, or secondary teacher and teacher of students with moderate disabilities must pass all of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) required for licensure in their specific field(s) prior to enrollment in the practicum.

Note: Assumption College responds to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in all matters of educator licensure and reserves the right to modify its programs in accordance with current state regulations. In the event that the graduate program is modified, students are notified of changes as is appropriate.

**Assumption College Report on Teacher Preparation for Program Year 2012-2013**

Title II of the Higher Education Act requires institutions of higher education to disclose to the State and the general public the pass rate of the teacher preparation program completers on assessments required for teacher licensure, the statewide pass rate on those assessments, and other relevant information.
The following details data that Assumption College submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education on April 23, 2014, for program year 2012-2013.

In academic year 2012-2013, there were 108 students enrolled in the teacher preparation program, all specializations. There were 34 students in student teaching supervised by a total of 10 faculty members from the Education department as well as liberal arts and sciences departments. The student teacher/faculty ratio was 3:1. The average number of supervised student teaching hours required per student per week was 30, the average number of weeks of supervised student teaching required was 12. The average total number of hours of supervised student teaching required was 390.

In program year 2012-2013, Assumption College had 34 program completers. The aggregate pass rate of the 34 completers who took the Communication and Literacy Skills Test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) during the reporting period was 100%. The College pass rate for the reading subtest of this basic skills test was 100% and for the writing subtest, 100%.

Seventeen of 17 program completers passed the Foundations of Reading and the General Curriculum tests required for an Elementary Initial license resulting in an aggregate pass rate of 100%. Fourteen of 14 program completers passed required academic content tests required for English, history, mathematics, the Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities, 5-12, or visual art Initial licensure.

In summary, Assumption College program completers passed the required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure in 2012-2013 with a pass rate of 100%, which exceeded the statewide pass rate of 98%.

*Title II of the Higher Education Act [Sections 207 (f)(1) and (f)(2)*]

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**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**EDU 101  SCHOOLS IN AMERICAN SOCIETY**

In this course, students will gain an in-depth understanding of the role of schooling in American society. They examine the control and governance of schools by comparing the roles of the different education agencies (local, state, federal) and exploring the interaction of these different agencies. Students will also compare the structure of schools at different levels (elementary, middle, secondary) and analyze the relationship between the structure and the purpose of schooling is intended to serve within society. Students also investigate the relationship between schools and society, in particular, the conflicting societal goals for schooling and the diverse societal pressures which impact on the schools' ability to achieve the intended or articulated goals. Counts in the Core Requirements. (Fall, Spring)

D’Souza, Stutz/Three credits

**EDU 120  TEACHING AND LEARNING IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

This course emphasizes the interrelated aspects of teaching and learning in an elementary school. Students examine the practices of effective elementary teachers and the purposes of the elementary school in educating children. Topics such as learning environments, the application of learning theories to instruction, and classroom management specific to students in elementary school are included. (Fall, Spring)

Howe, Kielbasa/Three credits

**EDU 140  TEACHING AND LEARNING IN THE MIDDLE/SECONDARY SCHOOL**

This course emphasizes the interrelated aspects of teaching and learning in middle/secondary school. Students examine the practices of effective teachers and the purposes of the middle/secondary school in educating adolescents. Topics such as learning environments, the application of learning theories to instruction, and classroom management specific to middle/secondary students are included. (Fall, Spring)

Stutz/Three credits

**EDU 221  SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM**

In this course, students draw from contemporary teaching and learning theories to design and implement effective science lessons and units for elementary school children. An emphasis will be placed on four domains, 1) identifying appropriate science content relative to grade level, 2) understanding the common misconceptions that children harbor about scientific topics, 3) developing inquiry-based lessons to foster children's conceptual learning, and 4) identifying varied ways of assessing children's learning. Significant attention throughout is given to understanding what it means to "do science" and how to help elementary children appreciate a scientific way of knowing about the world. Lesson design and teaching is aligned with the Massachusetts Science and Technology/Engineering Curriculum Framework. Prerequisite: EDU 101 (Fall, Spring)

Howe, Staff/Three credits

**EDU 260  TEACHING STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

This course focuses on the various types of learning needs of students in the inclusive classroom and on what to do and how to do it with respect to instructional and management challenges facing the regular classroom teacher. This course addresses individual differences in children and adolescents and the need for modification of instruction across the curriculum. The course is designed to encourage proper understanding and acceptance of children and adolescents
with exceptionalities. The course may include community service learning. Prerequisites: EDU 101 and either EDU 120 or EDU 140, or concurrently. Not open to first-year students. (Fall, Spring)
Koretz, Vander Hart/Three credits

EDU 265  EFFECTIVE CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT
In order to maximize student achievement, teachers must be good classroom managers. This course will use positive behavior supports as a framework to introduce students to evidence-based classroom management techniques and strategies. Students will learn about theoretical and empirical support for behavioral approaches to teaching and learning and their application in school-wide, classroom, and non-classroom settings. In addition, students will understand a proactive, multi-tier level model of behavior support, including implementation strategies that they will be able to apply in their own classrooms regardless of student age or ability level. Prerequisite: EDU 101. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

EDU 302  TEACHING ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS
This course is designed to help students learn about the particular learning needs of English Language Learners and, in turn, to design content instruction for that audience. The course will develop participants' knowledge of the context and academic landscape in which non-native English speakers learn in K-12 settings. Students will be introduced to the structural levels of language and to theories, principles, and processes of language acquisition, and they will begin to explore various pedagogical implications. Particular focus will also be given to reading of complex informational and literary texts, responding to text-based questions, writing from sources, and building academic vocabulary and background knowledge through discussion, reading, and writing. Limited to Education Majors (Stage 2). Prerequisites: EDU 101, EDU 120 or EDU 140. (Fall, Spring)
Walsh/Three credits

EDU 323  HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE IN THE ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM
This course is designed to familiarize students with the history and social science curriculum at the elementary level, examine the theoretical and research bases for effective teaching and learning in the field of social studies, and apply this knowledge in the design, implementation, and evaluation of their own instructional efforts. Topics emphasize teaching about local, United States and world history, geography, economics, and government, as well as the fundamental citizenship mission of social studies. Students also examine the Massachusetts History and Social Science Curriculum Framework and use it as a guide for their lesson planning. Traditions, issues, and current curriculum concerns in social studies at the elementary level are explored as well. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 323F. (Fall)
D’Souza/Three credits

EDU 323F  PRE-PRACTICUM: HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE IN THE ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 323. Students spend at least 25 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 323. (Fall)
Staff/One credit

EDU 324  MATHEMATICS IN THE ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM
This course examines the teaching and learning of mathematical concepts in the elementary classroom. As informed by the standards in the Massachusetts Mathematics Curriculum Framework, students will draw upon various learning theories to design and implement effective mathematics lessons that seek to promote children's conceptual awareness of mathematics concepts. Particular attention is given to developing students' understanding of the varied methods (e.g., algorithms, manipulatives, problem-solving) of expressing conceptual understanding and the multiple ways of assessing children's learning. There is a field-based component to this course. Prerequisite: MAT 150. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 324F. (Fall)
de la Cruz/Three credits

EDU 324F  PRE-PRACTICUM: MATHEMATICS IN THE ELEMENTARY CURRICULUM
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 324. Students spend at least 25 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 324. (Fall)
Staff/One credit

EDU 325  LITERACY DEVELOPMENT AND INSTRUCTION
In this course, students study literacy from a developmental perspective, beginning with emergent literacy and progressing through the more advanced stages of reading and writing to learn in the middle/secondary grades. Students examine processes of reading and writing, as well as current models of and approaches to literacy instruction and assessment. This course prepares students to plan effective literacy instruction for all learners in accordance with standards-based curriculum. In particular, students use the Massachusetts English Language Arts Curriculum Framework as a guide for their own lesson preparation. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 325F. (Spring)
Kielbasa/Three credits
EDU 325F PRE-PRACTICUM: LITERACY DEVELOPMENT AND INSTRUCTION
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 325. Students spend at least 25 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 325. (Spring)
Staff/One credit

EDU 330 THE MIDDLE SCHOOL: CONCEPT AND CURRICULUM
This course is designed to provide prospective teachers with historical perspective on the concept of the middle school along with information concerning current reforms and trends related to learning and the early adolescent. The class will also investigate curriculum, grouping practices, instructional strategies, and the design of interdisciplinary units for middle level learners. Prerequisite: EDU 101. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 330F. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

EDU 330F PRE-PRACTICUM: THE MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCEPT AND CURRICULUM
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 330. Students spend at least 25 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 330. (Spring)
Staff/One credit

EDU 341 READING AND WRITING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM (5–12)
This course emphasizes the investigation of theory and research related to the processes of reading, writing, and responding to content area text in middle/secondary education. It addresses a variety of topics such as strategy development for reading and writing to learn, methods and materials, cultural influences, assessment and evaluation, and the roles of teachers and administrators. There is a focus throughout the course on linking theory and research to practice. Prerequisite: EDU 101. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 341F. (Fall 2013, Fall 2015)
Staff/Three credits

EDU 341F PRE-PRACTICUM: READING AND WRITING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM (5–12)
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 341. Students spend at least 25 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 341. (Fall 2013, Fall 2015)
Staff/One credit

EDU 342 CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN ENGLISH (5–8; 8–12)
The course is designed to help students examine the theoretical and research bases of the teaching of English and apply that knowledge in the design, implementation, and analysis of their English teaching. Topics include teaching about literature, reading, writing, and language use. Students also examine the Massachusetts English Language Arts Curriculum Framework and use it as a guide for their own lesson preparation. As the students work their way through these components, they also complete pre-practicum field work, observing and assisting an English teacher at a local middle or secondary school. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 342F. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)
Stutz/Three credits

EDU 342F PRE-PRACTICUM: CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN ENGLISH (5–8; 8–12)
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 342. Students spend at least 40 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 342. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)
Staff/One credit

EDU 343 CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES (5–12)
This course is designed to help students examine the languages, and apply that knowledge to the design and implementation of foreign language curricula. Topics include the evolution of foreign language pedagogy, theory of second-language acquisition, the role of grammar in contextualized instruction, understanding proficiency and the ACTFL guidelines, teaching for cultural understanding, the relationship between foreign languages and other areas of the curriculum, and state and national standards, including the Massachusetts Foreign Languages Curriculum Framework. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 343F. (Fall 2015)
Staff/Three credits

EDU 343F PRE-PRACTICUM: CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES (5–12)
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 343. Students spend at least 40 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 343. (Fall 2015)
Staff/One credit

EDU 344 CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE (5–8; 8–12)
This course is designed to help students become familiar with the history and social science curriculum at the middle/secondary level, examine the theoretical and research bases for effective teaching and learning in the field of social studies, and apply this knowledge in the design, implementation, and evaluation of their own instructional efforts.
Topics emphasize teaching about local, United States and world history, geography, economics, and political science as well as the fundamental citizenship mission of social studies. Students also examine the Massachusetts History and Social Science Curriculum Framework and use it as a guide for their lesson preparation. Traditions, issues, and current curriculum concerns in social studies are explored as well. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 344. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 344F PRE-PRACTICUM: CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE (5–8; 8–12)
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 344. Students spend at least 40 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 344. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 345 CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN MATHEMATICS (5–8; 8–12)
This course considers the teacher's role and responsibilities in teaching mathematics at the middle/secondary level. Emphasis is placed on curriculum, instructional techniques, and materials for mathematics instruction in middle/secondary education in accordance with standards set by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) and the Massachusetts Mathematics Curriculum Framework. The overall goal of this course is to prepare the student to teach middle/secondary level mathematics effectively. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 345F. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 345F PRE-PRACTICUM: CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN MATHEMATICS (5–8; 8–12)
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 345. Students spend at least 40 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 345. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 346 CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (5–8; 8–12)
This course is designed to provide students with an understanding of the role and responsibilities of the middle/secondary teacher of science. Emphasis is placed on curriculum, instructional techniques, and materials for middle/secondary science instruction. Drawing on their knowledge of the developmental stages of the adolescent, students design, implement, and evaluate instructional material to develop effective science lessons. Topics emphasized include methods and materials for teaching science, assessment of learning, relationships among the different disciplines of science, and professional development. Students also examine the Massachusetts Science and Technology/Engineering Curriculum Framework and use it as a guide in lesson preparation. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 346F. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 346F PRE-PRACTICUM: CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (5–8; 8–12)
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 346. Students spend at least 40 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 346. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 347 CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN VISUAL ART
This course focuses on the visual art curriculum, instructional models, teaching strategies, and assessment practices. It affords students the opportunity to study the philosophical, historical, and practical foundations of visual art education, especially as they serve to contextualize the current standards-based initiatives at the national, state, and local levels. Students also systematically acquire and refine the teaching skills necessary to design and present effective instruction in visual art. Topics include selected models of instruction and assessment in visual art, multiculturalism as reflected through visual art, and the connections among visual art and other disciplines. Students will examine the Massachusetts Arts Curriculum Framework and employ it in lesson and unit preparation. There is a field-based component to this course. Limited to Education majors who have satisfied all the retention criteria. Students must concurrently take the associated prepracticum course EDU 347F. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 347F PRE-PRACTICUM: CURRICULUM AND METHODS IN VISUAL ART
This is the supervised field-based component of EDU 347. Students spend at least 40 hours at the field site and complete pre-practicum tasks required. Students must be enrolled in EDU 347. (Fall 2014, Fall 2016)

EDU 399 SPECIAL TOPICS IN EDUCATION
This course addresses contemporary issues and instruction in PreK-12 education. It responds to specific interests designated by students, extensions of topics addressed in a general or discipline-specific education course (e.g., English, history, literacy, mathematics, science), or faculty research interests. Topics are selected based on timeliness, and relevance to elementary, middle, and/or secondary
school education. The course allows students opportunities to investigate current PreK-12 issues and instruction in greater depth than is possible in existing courses within the discipline. A special topics course may have prerequisites.

**EDU 420  PRACTICUM AND SEMINAR IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**

The student will perform practicum activities under the general direction of a program supervisor and under the immediate guidance of a supervising practitioner. The practicum student will spend full school days at the field site for the spring semester. Students are required to attend a weekly seminar. Practicum students follow the elementary school calendar during their practicum and therefore are expected to be at the school each day it is in session, including those days when Assumption College classes may not be in session. Prior to the beginning of the practicum, practicum students may request approval to attend Assumption College sponsored events. Such requests must be made in writing and addressed to the Licensure Program Coordinator, and, if approved, the practicum student will extend his or her practicum placement beyond the typical ending date for the practicum. Limited to Elementary Education majors who have satisfied all retention criteria, including passing all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) by December 31 of the senior year. (Spring)

**EDU 444  HONORS THESIS IN EDUCATION**

In this course the student will conduct the research project that was proposed and approved during the Honors Seminar (HON 300). The research project will be an original research thesis or creative work under the supervision of a faculty mentor. A summary of the capstone work will be presented at the Honors Colloquium at the end of the semester. This course will count as an elective in the Education Major. Prerequisite: HON 300, membership in Honors Program

**EDU 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY**

Open to all qualified junior and senior education concentrators with permission of the instructor, the Chairperson of the Education Department, and the Dean of Studies

**EDU 420  PRACTICUM AND SEMINAR IN MIDDLE/SECONDARY EDUCATION**

The student will perform practicum activities under the general direction of a program supervisor and under the immediate guidance of a supervising practitioner. The practicum student will spend full school days at the field site for the spring semester. Students are required to attend a weekly seminar. Practicum students follow the middle or secondary school calendar during their practicum and therefore are expected to be at the school each day it is in session, including those days when Assumption College classes may not be in session. Prior to the beginning of the practicum, practicum students may request approval to attend Assumption College sponsored events. Such requests must be made in writing and addressed to the Licensure Program Coordinator, and, if approved, the practicum student will extend his or her practicum placement beyond the typical ending date for the practicum. Limited to middle/secondary education majors who have satisfied all retention criteria, including passing all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) by December 31 of the senior year. (Spring)

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**EDU 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY**

Open to all qualified junior and senior education concentrators with permission of the instructor, the Chairperson of the Education Department, and the Dean of Studies

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**EDU 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY**

Open to all qualified junior and senior education concentrators with permission of the instructor, the Chairperson of the Education Department, and the Dean of Studies

Staff/Three credits

**EDU 440  PRACTICUM AND SEMINAR IN MIDDLE/SECONDARY EDUCATION**

The student will perform practicum activities under the general direction of a program supervisor and under the immediate guidance of a supervising practitioner. The practicum student will spend full school days at the field site for the spring semester. Students are required to attend a weekly seminar. Practicum students follow the middle or secondary school calendar during their practicum and therefore are expected to be at the school each day it is in session, including those days when Assumption College classes may not be in session. Prior to the beginning of the practicum, practicum students may request approval to attend Assumption College sponsored events. Such requests must be made in writing and addressed to the Licensure Program Coordinator, and, if approved, the practicum student will extend his or her practicum placement beyond the typical ending date for the practicum. Limited to middle/secondary education majors who have satisfied all retention criteria, including passing all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) by December 31 of the senior year. (Spring)

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Staff/Three credits
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH


MISSION STATEMENT

Literature adds to reality, it does not simply describe it – C.S. Lewis

Literature addresses profound and enduring questions about what it means to be a human being, while challenging us to recognize complexity and ambiguity in our exploration of those questions. The study and creation of literature in all its written, visual, and performative forms is an enlightening quest of self-discovery that exposes us to a wide range of aesthetic sensibilities and reveals our strengths, vulnerabilities, and potential for change. Experiencing literature leads us to ask deeper questions about our spiritual, intellectual, personal, and cultural assumptions, so that we can come to know ourselves and our larger world more fully.

Through their engagement with literature, English majors will learn to pose questions and employ methods specific to the field of literary studies, and to explore the implications of these ways of knowing. They will be asked to read critically and empathetically, and to recognize the significance, quality, and consequences of language. The department expects English majors to learn the value of writing as a means of discovery, as well as to learn to write and speak effectively, exhibiting an awareness of audience. Courses will challenge students to ask ethical questions about literature and its consequences for their values and ways of being in the world. Students will also gain a more informed and global understanding of cultural and historical differences.

The English Department offers majors and minors in English. Literature, English: Writing and Mass Communication, and a major in English. Literature for Elementary Education majors.

MAJOR IN ENGLISH: LITERATURE

The Major in English literature aims at developing a heightened appreciation of language through a close study of literature and greater facility in expression through regular written and oral presentations. The program seeks to develop powers of observation and discernment and to broaden awareness of the world, of our common humanity, and of the self. The English Department offers courses in speech, theatre arts, writing, and film, in addition to those emphasizing historical, generic, or thematic approaches to English and American literature. Students also have opportunities to develop their talents in creative and professional writing in many forms of media. Every course in the department, whether nominally emphasizing literary study or communication skills, constantly seeks to reinforce the relationship between reading, writing, speaking, and critical thinking.

Traditionally, the English Major has prepared students for graduate school and law school, and for careers in creative and professional writing, in advertising, in non-profit organizations, in journalism and publishing, in public relations, and in teaching. Today, the great need for able writers provides opportunities for English majors virtually everywhere, especially if they supplement the major with selected study in foreign languages, art, computer science, the natural sciences, economics, management, or psychology, to cite a few of the obvious examples. The study of literature and language, however, is broadly humanistic and not narrowly pre-professional; accordingly, the department urges its majors to pursue the traditional liberal arts as the context of their pre-professional education.

Learning Goals

The department understands "literary," "literature" and "language" to include written, visual, and performative texts. As members of the English Department, we want our students to do the following:

1. To pose questions and employ methods specific to the field of literary studies and to explore the implications of these ways of knowing
2. To read critically and empathetically, recognizing the significance, quality, and consequences of language
3. To write and speak effectively, exhibiting an awareness of audience
4. To ask ethical questions about literature and its consequences for their values and ways of being in the world
5. To gain a more informed and global understanding of cultural and historical differences
6. To take intellectual risks, to synthesize the questions and approaches of the discipline they have learned, and to take responsibility for their own learning
7. To become lifelong active and engaged learners
THE CURRICULUM
The Major in English: Literature consists of twelve courses. These do not include ENG 130 English Composition or LTE 140 Introduction to Literature. Students should note that at least four of these courses must be at the 300–400 level. The Senior Seminar is included among the four. Students are also encouraged to complete an elective internship in addition to their required courses. Students may take a total of 14 courses designated ENG for the Literature major.

REQUIRED COURSES (12)

GATEWAY TO THE MAJOR (2)
ENG 219 (WE) Gateway: Approaches to Media Analysis
ENG 220 (WE) Gateway: Approaches to Reading and Interpretation

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE (3)
The following courses are required but need not be taken according to the sequence in which they are listed or numbered, although it is preferable to take Survey I before Survey II:
ENG 221 Survey of British Literature I: Beginnings to the 18th Century
ENG 222 Survey of British Literature II: 19th Century to the Present
ENG 223 Survey of American Literature: Beginnings to the Present

WRITING UNIT (1)
One 200–300 level writing course chosen from the following:
ENG 201 Argument and Persuasion
ENG 202 Introduction to Journalism
ENG 203 Writing Workshop: Autobiography
ENG 209 Creative Writing
ENG 301 Special Topics in Writing and Mass Communication
ENG 302 Special Topics in Journalism
ENG 303 Magazine Writing
ENG 304 Business and Technical Writing
ENG 305 Writing Workshop: Fiction
ENG 306 Writing Workshop: Poetry
ENG 307 Writing Workshop: Drama
ENG 308 Writing and Editing
ENG 309 Writing Workshop: Creative Nonfiction

MAJOR ELECTIVES (5)
1. At least one 300-level class in literature written before 1800
2. At least one course in writing by historically under-represented groups, such as African-American, Latino or post-colonial writers, such as ENG 287 American Women of Color, ENG 379 Post-Colonial Literature, ENG 386 Native American Writing and Representation, or ENG 387 Survey of African-American Literature
3. Three additional courses from among department offerings. These elective courses cannot double-count.

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NOTE: These classes cannot double count for each other. These courses can be chosen from the English course offerings in literature, writing, and film. In making these choices, the student should note that of the twelve courses required for the major, at least four must be at the 300–400 level. One course in classical language (GRK, LAT), one literature course in a foreign language (FRE, GER, ITA, SPA), or one comparative literature course (CLT) can be counted toward the English major, no special permission is required. An internship is recommended in the junior or senior year.

RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSES

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior year
ENG 219
ENG 220
ENG 221 or 222
ENG 223
200–300 level writing class

Junior/Senior year Four electives, including one 300 level class in literature written before 1800 and one course in writing by historically under-represented groups

Senior year: Capstone seminar

MAJOR IN ENGLISH LITERATURE: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TRACK
The Elementary Track applies only to those students who are pursuing a concurrent Major in Education with a licensure emphasis in Elementary (1–6). If a student withdraws from the Education Major, then the option to pursue the Elementary Track in the English Major no longer applies. English Majors who are pursuing licensure in Middle/Secondary Education (5–8, 8–12) would still take the standard 12-course English Literature or Writing and Mass Communications Major.

REQUIRED COURSES (10)

ENGLISH EDUCATION CORE (4)
ENG 220W Approaches to Reading and Interpretation
ENG 263 Children’s Literature
EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners
EDU 325 Literacy Development and Instruction

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE (2)
(Students are strongly recommended to take all three courses)
Select 2 of the following:
ENG 221 Survey of British Literature: Beginnings to the 18th Century
ENG 222 Survey of British Literature: 19th Century to the Present
ENG 223 Survey of American Literature: Beginnings to the Present

WRITING UNIT (1)
One 200-300 level writing courses chosen from the following:
ENG 201 Argument and Persuasion
ENG 202 Introduction to Journalism
ENG 203 Writing Workshop: Autobiography
ENG 209 Creative Writing
ENG 301 Special Topics in Writing and Mass Communications
ENG 302 Special Topics in Journalism
ENG 303 Magazine Writing
ENG 304 Business and Technical Writing
ENG 305 Writing Workshop: Fiction
ENG 306 Writing Workshop: Poetry
ENG 307 Writing Workshop: Drama
ENG 308 Writing and Editing
ENG 309 Creative Non-Fiction

MAJOR ELECTIVES (2)
(Students are recommended to take both 300 level literature courses before taking the Senior Seminar)
Two 300 level literature courses from among department offerings

CAPSTONE (1)
ENG 411-414 Senior Seminar in Literature

NOTE: The Elementary Track only applies to those students who are pursuing a concurrent Major in Education with a licensure option in Elementary Education (1-6). If a student withdraws from the Education Major, then the option to pursue the Elementary Track in the English Major no longer applies.

MAJOR IN ENGLISH: WRITING AND MASS COMMUNICATIONS
The requirements below apply to the classes of 2015, 2016, and 2017, but may be adopted by members of the class of 2014 by request to the registrar. Otherwise, members of the class of 2014 will follow the curriculum as defined in the catalog of 2010–11.

The Concentration in Writing and Mass Communications combines the traditional skills of rhetorical analysis, effective style, critical thinking, and ethical questioning with contemporary applications through oral, written, and visual communications in both traditional and new media. The goal of the program is to help students understand how language shapes our world and to use responsibly and effectively the various forms of communication that define and construct contemporary life and culture.

The major thrust of the curriculum is toward a broad and thorough education in the liberal arts in a creative hybrid form that also prepares students for graduate school, law school, careers in creative and professional writing, in journalism and publishing, in public relations, in teaching, and in other areas of the growing and changing communications and media fields.

One of the main features of the curriculum is the opportunity through the Seminar in Writing and Mass Communications to assemble a portfolio designed to reflect each student’s growth and promise. As such, the portfolio enables the student to reflect on the knowledge and skills she or he has developed in the various courses comprising the Concentration, as well as to evaluate her or his strengths and weaknesses in time to address them.

Upon declaring the Concentration, students should begin collecting the raw materials for the portfolio, which may include the best paper or project from each course the student has completed in the Concentration. The finished portfolio will provide a profile of the student’s skills and experience that can serve as the foundation for a professional portfolio.

REQUIRED COURSES (12)
These do not include ENG 130 English Composition or LTE 140 Introduction to Literature. Students may take a total of 14 courses designated ENG for the WMC major.

GATEWAY COURSES (3)
ENG 219(WE) Approaches to Media Analysis
ENG 220(WE) Approaches to Reading and Interpretation
ENG 202 Introduction to Journalism

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE (2)
ENG 223 Survey of American Literature: Beginnings to the Present (required of all majors)
And either:
ENG 221: Survey of British Literature I: Beginnings to the 18th Century
Or
ENG 222: Survey of British Literature II: The 19th Century to the Present

LITERATURE (2)
Two additional literature classes, one at the 300 level

CAPSTONES (2)
ENG 415 Capstone Senior Seminar in Writing and Mass Communications
ENG 420 Mass Communications Practicum: Internship

SPECIALITY (3)
Three courses from ONE of these Specialties
Journalism and Professional Writing
ENG 201 Argument and Persuasion
ENG 301 Special Topics in Writing and Mass Communications
ENG 302  Special Topics in Journalism  
ENG 304  Business and Technical Writing  
ENG 308  Writing and Editing  
ENG 309  Writing Workshop: Creative Nonfiction  
ENG 212  Professional and Academic Writing

Creative Writing
ENG 203  Writing Workshop: Autobiography  
ENG 209  Creative Writing  
ENG 305  Writing Workshop: Fiction  
ENG 306  Writing Workshop: Poetry  
ENG 307  Writing Workshop: Drama  
ENG 309  Writing Workshop: Creative Nonfiction

Media Studies and Production
ENG 211  Speech  
ENG 217  Introduction to Film Studies  
ENG 218  Film and Literature  
ENG 301  Special Topics in Writing and Mass Communications  
ENG 396  American Film  
ART 115  Graphic Design I  
ART 116  Graphic Design II  
ART 175  Introduction to Digital Photography  
CSC 181  Electronic Communication and Multimedia  
THA 387  Acting  
TVP 290  TV Communications Skills  
TVP 295  TV Production I  
TVP 390  TV Production II  
TVP 395  Special Topics in Television Production

Note: Students also have the option to design their own specialization, in consultation with their advisor and with the approval of the Chair. In addition, if for some reason courses for a particular specialization are not available, students may, in consultation with their advisor and approval of the Chair, make appropriate substitutions.

RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF COURSES
Freshman/Sophomore/Junior year
ENG 202  
ENG 219  
ENG 220  
ENG 221 or 222  
ENG 223  
200–300 level writing class  
200–300 level class in area of specialization

Junior/Senior year: four electives, including one 300 level class in literature written before 1800 and one course in writing by historically underrepresented groups

Senior Year: ENG 415 Capstone seminar and ENG 420 Internship*

*Students are expected to complete their internship during their Junior or Senior year. Students who intend to complete an off-campus internship must meet the 2.8 minimal GPA requirement established by the college; students who do not meet that requirement will complete an academic project under the supervision of the Practicum instructor and will participate in the Practicum seminar. Internship material may be found on the English Department HomePage

• Students are strongly encouraged to take CSC 181 and ART 115 as part of their major and to consider a minor in subjects that could contribute to their careers as writers, including Graphic Arts, a modern language, Sociology, and History.

MINOR IN ENGLISH: LITERATURE (6)
The minor consists of 18 credits (six courses) in English. These do not include ENG 130 English Composition or LTE 140 Introduction to Literature. At least three of these courses must be in literature, at least one must be a writing course at the 200-level or above. The student who intends to apply for an English Minor is urged to seek the advice of a faculty member in the department in order to design a program that is best suited to the student's interests and professional goals.

MINOR IN ENGLISH: WRITING (6)
A student majoring in a field other than English may elect to minor in Writing. Six writing courses in addition to English 130 are required for the minor; two of these may include Writing Emphasis courses in literature and LIN 221 Sociolinguistics. Students interested in the Writing Minor are encouraged to seek the counsel of a member of the English Department.

EDUCATION AND ENGLISH DOUBLE MAJOR
The Department of English works closely with Assumption’s Department of Education to prepare students for the teaching of English. Such students should consider a major in English and a major in elementary or secondary education. The major in English provides students with 36 hours of coursework in the field of knowledge competency required for certification by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Students preparing to teach English at the elementary or secondary level are strongly encouraged to meet with a member of the English Department as early in their academic experience as possible. Application for the appropriate education major must be made to Assumption’s Department of Education by the spring of the sophomore year. Students should plan their courses of study working closely with members of both the Education and English Departments.
A NOTE ON PRE-LAW The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

COURSE
descriptions

ENGLISH (ENG)

ENG 130 ENGLISH COMPOSITION
This writing course emphasizes planning, composing, and revising. Specifically, the course deals with strategies for generating ideas, recognizing audience, clarifying purpose, focusing on a perspective, and choosing effective arrangements of ideas. Techniques of revision, which are central to the course, focus on appropriateness of language and effectiveness of development, as well as on editing. Counts in the Core Curriculum. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three credits

LTE 140 INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE
This course is designed to acquaint the students with the form and structure of various genres of literature. Readings are mainly drawn from English and American literature. Class discussion and writing assignments will make use of such critical concepts as point of view, imagery, and tone. Counts in the Core Curriculum. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three credits

ENG 201 ARGUMENT AND PERSUASION
A course in exposition and argument dealing with the development of effective means of persuasion appropriate to specific audiences, the use of different styles of presentation, and the making of choices in language, arrangement, and style. Emphasis is on written argument, with some attention to reading, listening, and speaking. (Fall/Spring) Prerequisite: ENG 130.
Staff/DiDomenico/Three credits

ENG 202 INTRODUCTION TO JOURNALISM
Students will explore important issues in print and broadcast journalism as well as in the writing techniques used in each medium. Students will study reportorial styles, news-gathering, research and interviewing skills, and put each into practice through regular submissions to the College newspaper, Le Provocateur. This course includes a combination of academic classroom learning and experiential learning in the community. (Fall/Spring) Prerequisite: ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Staff/Land/Three credits

ENG 209 CREATIVE WRITING
In this course, students will study the techniques used by published poets and fiction writers and will learn to employ some of these techniques by writing original poetry and fiction. We will also learn the critical language for discussing these genres in a more precise and meaningful way, and will have ample opportunity to develop our understanding of the formal characteristics of poems and stories by both published and student writers. (Spring) Prerequisite: ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Thoreen/Three credits

ENG 211 SPEECH
This is a course in the fundamentals of public speaking. Emphasis is on content and delivery of the most common types of short speeches, such as introducing a speaker, presenting information, persuading an audience, and demonstrating a technique or process, as well as impromptu speaking. Detailed evaluation, videotapes, and conferences will be used to encourage the process of improvement. (Fall)
Staff, Knoles/Three credits

ENG 218 FILM AND LITERATURE
This course will explore the rich tradition of film adaptations of literary texts, focusing on the exciting changes that occur when artists produce their own cinematic translations and interpretations of important literature. Students will develop their abilities to analyze texts and film productions with pleasure and critical insight and learn a critical vocabulary for this analysis. We will examine the effects of genre and medium on the adaptive process and investigate how film adaptations contain cultural responses to literature and deploy literary texts to respond to culture. (Fall)
DiDomenico/Three credits

ENG 219 APPROACHES TO MEDIA ANALYSIS
Designed to give students the means and opportunities to understand and analyze types and functions of mass media, this is a course in media literacy. Students will critically examine the evolution of mass media through active participation in discussing, reading, viewing, and writing theory and practical application of issues, such as media and ethics, politics and media, and ways in which we are informed, entertained, persuaded, and manipulated by means of media. This course will link weekly writing tasks to a research project and presentation. (Fall/Spring) Prerequisite: ENG 130.
Ady, DiBiasio/Three credits

ENG 219 INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE
This course is designed to acquaint the students with the form and structure of various genres of literature. Readings are mainly drawn from English and American literature. Class discussion and writing assignments will make use of such critical concepts as point of view, imagery, and tone. Counts in the Core Curriculum. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three credits
ENG 220 APPROACHES TO READING AND INTERPRETATION
This writing emphasis course considers fundamental issues of textual interpretation, primarily but not exclusively in the print media. Representative readings, limited in number, will be chosen from a variety of genres and historical periods. In addition to adopting a critical vocabulary that will assist close reading of texts, the course also introduces the student to various interpretive strategies: formalist, historical, reader-response, structuralist, and deconstructionist, among others. Required for all English Majors. (Fall/Spring) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Steff/Shields/Three credits

ENG 221 SURVEY OF BRITISH LITERATURE I: BEGINNINGS TO THE 18TH CENTURY
This course provides a broad overview of English literature from the Middle Ages to the late eighteenth century. We will read a variety of texts, construct historical and cultural contexts, debate issues of periodization and canonization, and consider questions of genre and innovation. (Fall) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 180 and any Introduction to Literature.
Staff/Ramsey/Three credits

ENG 222 SURVEY OF BRITISH LITERATURE II: 19TH CENTURY TO THE PRESENT
In this course we will survey major writers of the Neoclassic, Romantic, Modernist, and Contemporary eras, probing the ways in which their world views were conditioned by their times, examining the formal elements that enhanced their art, and coming to terms with how their works challenge us as readers. (Spring) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 180 and any Introduction to Literature.
Staff/DiDomenico/Three credits

ENG 223 SURVEY OF AMERICAN LITERATURE: BEGINNINGS TO THE PRESENT
Participants in this course will read, discuss, and write about American literature from the 17th century to the present day. The focus of the course will be on literature as a form of rhetoric, that is, how literature contributes to the debate of key issues in American life. Writing assignments will invite students to explore the methods used by texts to persuade readers to accept a point of view and the ways in which texts connect to one another to create a national “conversation.” (Spring) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 180 and any Introduction to Literature.
Beyers, Knoles/Three credits

ENG/SOC 225 LITERATURE OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
An interdisciplinary course that offers students a combination of academic classroom learning and experiential learning in the community. Students will read contemporary American fiction and sociological monographs and cultural analysis, using these ideas to think critically about political, economic, and social issues in the community. Same as SOC 225. (Spring)
Land/Staff/Three credits

ENG 226 MAJOR AMERICAN WRITERS
Through selected works of Nathanael West, Flannery O’Connor, Kate Chopin, Willa Cather, Eudora Welty, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Ernest Hemingway, J. D. Salinger, and several of the major American poets of the late 19th and 20th centuries, we will explore the connections between art and our changing culture, and the consequences of dreams, disillusionment, and the potential for discovery. (Spring) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 130.
Hodgen/Three credits

ENG 227 THE STILL SMALL VOICE: READINGS IN VOCATION
This course is restricted to the SOPHIA 2014-2015 cohort, and focuses on the theme of the discovery and discernment of one’s vocation. Readings, films, essays and discussion will include works such as John Green’s The Fault in Our Stars, Salinger’s The Catcher in the Rye and Nine Stories, Hesse’s Siddhartha, Jeannette Walls’s The Glass Castle: A Memoir, and Pierre de Calan’s Cosmos, or The Love of God. Readings will also include selections from the Bible, Dante’s Inferno, Plato’s Allegory of the Cave, Thoreau’s Civil Disobedience, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr’s Letter From the Birmingham Jail, Lawrence Sargent Hall’s “The Ledge,” Coleridge’s Rime of the Ancient Mariner, Mumford’s The Logbooks of Donald Crowhurst, selections from Twain’s Huckleberry Finn, Joan Acocella’s “Misery,” and James Carroll’s “Who Am I to Judge?” from The New Yorker. In addition, the films All is Lost and 12 Years a Slave and a trip to the Worcester Art Museum will be included.
Hodgen/Three credits

ENG 233 MODERN SHORT STORY
In The Lonely Voice, Frank O’Connor writes that the short story is the literary form best suited to dealing with “submerged population groups.” We will go deep sea diving in this course, encountering a wide variety of tramps, vamps, dreamers, drug-abusers, lovers, master manipulators, lonely idealists, and losers. (Fall) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Thoreen/Three credits

ENG 235 INTRODUCTION TO THEATRE
This course provides a survey of Western drama and theories of performance. Students will become familiar with significant playwrights and plays from the Greek, medieval, Renaissance, modern, and contemporary time periods. The course will explore a number of important movements and trends, such as morality plays, Elizabethan tragedy, realism, and the “Theatre of the Absurd.” Readings will include works by Sophocles, Shakespeare, Henrik Ibsen, Samuel Beckett, and David Mamet, among others. Students will also read and discuss Theoretical writings by Aristotle, T. S. Eliot, Artaud, and Brecht. (Spring)
Shields/Three credits

ENG 253 ARTHURIAN LEGEND
As the Roman Empire crumbled, leaving its northern provinces exposed to the ravages of barbarian invaders,
there arose a leader from this chaos capable of meeting the challenge. From the mists of prehistory, a Romano-British warrior named Arthur emerged who laid the foundations of modern Britain, and became the nexus of the Western heroic tradition to this day. In this course, we will examine the core texts of the Arthurian legend (in translation) from its beginnings in Celtic Myth and Latin histories, through the vernacular romances of the High Middle Ages and contemporary film. We will consider its origins in the Dark Ages, how it was transformed by retellings in various European traditions, and its continued popularity in the present time. (Spring)
Carella/Three credits

ENG 263 CHILDREN’S LITERATURE
This course provides a general overview of the field of children’s literature. Students read representative classic and contemporary works of children’s literature from a variety of genres, including fairy and folk tales, modern fantasy, realism, and nonfiction. They evaluate text and illustration, as well as address current issues in the field. Further, through disciplined examination of the history and tradition of children’s literature, students develop an appreciation for children’s books and those who create them. (Fall/Spring) Prerequisite: Complete ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Kielbasa/Three credits

ENG 265 INTRODUCTION TO PEACE STUDIES
An interdisciplinary introduction to the study of peace and war and of various approaches to resolving conflict in diverse settings. Students will examine classic texts on the subject of peace and case studies of particular conflicts involving political negotiation, violent or nonviolent direct action. The purpose of the course is to help students analyze conflict and apply approaches and perspectives from the past and the present that attempt to resolve them. (Same as HIS 265, SRS 265, THE 265) (Fall/Spring).
Murphy/Fisher/Three credits

ENG 267 LITERATURE BY AMERICAN WOMEN OF COLOR
We will ask whether people from different racial and ethnic groups and genders see the world differently, and if so, how those perspectives might be expressed in literature. What experiences and perspectives unite us human beings, and as Americans, across racial and gender and religious lines? And can seeing through the eyes of another help us to understand ourselves more fully? We will read novels, short stories, essays, and poems by American women from a variety of ethnic and racial backgrounds—Native-American, African-American, Latina-American, and Indian-American—and explore what these writers tell us about what it means to be American a person of color, and a woman. (Fall)
Drew/Three credits

ENG 300 JOHN KEATS: A NAME WRIT ON WATER
This course is open both to SOPHIA students and other students, and focuses entirely on the life and work of John Keats. The focus will be on Keats’s discovery and discernment of his vocation, and how it evolved over the twenty-five years of his life from medicine to poetry to the vocation of love itself. Readings, films, essays and discussion will include Andrew Motion’s biography, Keats, comparative excerpts from the biographies by Nicholas Roe and Walter Jackson Bates, Jane Campion’s film Bright Star, and the poems and letters of John Keats. Essays and exams will involve close readings and analysis of the poems, and comprehensive study of Classicism, Romanticism, and the aesthetic of negative capability.
Hodgen/Three credits

ENG 301 SPECIAL TOPICS: BROADCAST JOURNALISM
This course will prepare you for your first job in radio or television. You will learn the mechanics of developing, producing, writing, shooting, editing, and presenting a story for broadcast, and you will gain experience in front of and behind the camera/microphone. This course will be run like a professional newsroom in which you will work under deadline and pursue your passion, whether that's sports reporting, talk radio, or investigative documentaries. Students will get experience in front of the camera and behind it. Students will write and produce at least three radio segments and three television segments, culminating in a documentary short on a topic of their choosing. Learn basic technical skills shooting and editing; lectures we also will go into the field and learn the basics of shooting television news and field reporting. (Spring) Complete ENG 130, ENG 202, and TVP 295 or permission of instructor.
Lacombe/Three credits

ENG 302.01 SPECIAL TOPICS IN JOURNALISM: SPORTSWRITING I
This course will prepare students to understand the importance of sportswriting in journalism, gain a working vocabulary, analyze and write about a variety of sports, learn to meet deadlines; attend and cover sports events in central Massachusetts. (Fall)

ENG 302.02 SPECIAL TOPICS IN JOURNALISM: SPORTSWRITING II
This course will prepare students to be active sports journalists in print and social media, to gain an understanding of the importance of local and professional sports through a variety of journalism assignments; attend and cover sports events in central Massachusetts. (Spring)

ENG 304 BUSINESS AND TECHNICAL WRITING
The course helps students learn techniques for composing various types of on-the-job writing tasks: memos, reports, letters, and proposals. It emphasizes clarity and functionality of language, and the need to suit format, style, and content to the purposes of the audience. It provides students
opportunities for collaborative writing and for discussion of the ethical dimensions of writing on the job. Students are encouraged to learn the use of various technological tools for writing and research. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/DiDomenico, Grochowalski/Three credits Prerequisites: Complete ENG 130.

ENG 306 WRITING WORKSHOP: POETRY
Ideally suited for, but by no means limited to, students who have completed ENG 209 Creative Writing, this course will extend the discussion of craft begun there. Our discussions will be informed by reading the work of established poets, but we will focus most insistently on the poems produced by members of the workshop. Through a variety of exercises, writers in this course will develop greater technical proficiency with image, metaphor, musical devices, grammar, enjambment, and metrical forms. (Spring)
Thoreen/Three credits Complete ENG 130

ENG 308 WRITING AND EDITING
This is a workshop course where students will learn a variety of editing techniques through a series of individual and group assignments. Through exercises in critical reading, writing, and editing, the course provides opportunities for increased facility with the writing process. (Spring)
Complete any ENG 130. Staff, Drew/Three credits

ENG 331 SHAKESPEARE’S TRAGEDIES
This course focuses on the bloodiest of William Shakespeare’s tragedies, including Titus Andronicus, Hamlet, Othello, King Lear, and Coriolanus. We will attend to Shakespeare’s structure and language, discuss the conventions of the genre, and examine the plays in the context of the social, political, and religious tensions of the Renaissance. To accomplish these goals, we will use historical materials, modern performance, in-class productions of short scenes, and film adaptations. Students will gain experience close reading Shakespeare’s language, critically analyzing key issues raised in the plays, situating Shakespearean tragedy in its historical moment, and exploring its relevance to our own. Assignments include frequent short written responses, two essays, and two exams. (Fall) Complete ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Morrison/Staff/Three credits

ENG 371 THE TWENTIES
The shock of World War I and new developments in science, psychology, politics, philosophy, and art helped produce some of the most significant writers of the twentieth century. In this course, we will look at key texts from Woolf, Yeats, Lawrence, Eliot, and Pirandello, all representative of the High Modern period. (Spring) Complete ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Beyers/Three credits

ENG 389 SPECIAL TOPICS IN 20TH CENTURY AMERICAN LITERATURE—THE 1960’S
Much has been made of the turbulent decade of the 1960’s, a time of sudden shocks—assassinations of beloved public figures, riots in Watts, in Newark, in Washington, D.C.—and challenges to the status quo, when some believed that no one over thirty should be trusted, that the ‘establishment’ was corrupt, or, conversely, that law and order in a civil society were being challenged by thoughtless, long-haired hippies. This course will take an interdisciplinary approach in studying this decade. We concentrate on important fiction and nonfiction of the era, informing our understanding through consideration of history, economics, politics, and popular culture. Sample texts: One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest, Slaughterhouse Five, The Left Hand of Darkness, and The Fire Next Time. (Fall) Prerequisites: Complete ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Ady/Three credits

ENG 399 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Open to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors with the recommendation of an English Department Faculty member who will design and supervise the study. Permission of the Department Chairperson is required.
Staff/Three credits

ENG 410 WORKSHOP IN THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH
Students interested in teaching English who have done exceptionally well in English courses may work as assistants in the teaching and learning activities of the “Gateway Course” to the English Major, ENG 220 Approaches to Reading and Interpretation. Open only to Juniors and Seniors with the approval of the Department Chairperson. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three credits

ENG 412 SENIOR SEMINAR IN LITERATURE: GEORGE SAUNDERS
Saunders’ stories are satirical, in the vein of Mark Twain and George Orwell and Kurt Vonnegut, but they also have the moral gravity and humanity of David Foster Wallace. George Saunders, best known for his short fiction, counters his ironies with heart and with moral values that replace the vacuum that too much irony often leaves in its path. Saunders is the ideal subject for study in a senior seminar because he has written a variety of works over a twenty year period, but we can still read ALL of his work, including his short stories, a novel, essays, and a children’s book, in one semester. (Fall) Prerequisites: ENG 130 and any Introduction to Literature.
Thoreen/Three credits

ENG 413 SENIOR SEMINAR IN LITERATURE: VISIONS OF RACE IN AMERICAN LITERATURE AND CULTURE: 1850-2015
This course invites students to read American texts from the antebellum and Civil War years, Reconstruction, the
Harlem Renaissance, the Civil Rights era, and the present
day as a way of understanding the debate over race that has
taken place over time in America and the role that debate
has played in shaping our history. The course addresses the
role played by texts of various kinds (poems, short stories,
novels, autobiographies, plays, speeches, news stories, films,
radio and television broadcasts, and even You-Tube videos)
in that debate. The course will also address the role literature
can play in helping us better understand history and the role
history can play in helping us better understand literature.
Readings include: fugitive slave narratives, Uncle Tom's Cabin,
letters written by teachers of Freedmen's Schools during the
Civil War, lynching poems from the Harlem Renaissance;
autobiographies and memoirs written by people who
desegregated schools or participated in the freedom rides,
and Toni Morrison's Beloved.

ENG 415  SEMINAR IN WRITING AND MASS
COMMUNICATIONS (CSL)
The goal of this course is to assist you in making the transition
from life as a student of Communications to life as a communi-
cations professional. Over the course of the semester, students
will work with other members of the class to 1) interview
professionals from a variety of communications fields, 2) assess
professionally produced advertisements, brochures, websites,
and e-portfolios, 3) master the use of software and hardware
used by communications professionals, and 4) complete a series
of projects based on professional models. Collaborating with
a team, students will design and produce an advertisement, a
brochure, and a website for outside clients. At the completion
of each project each student will submit an assessment
evaluating the process, the product, the team, and his or
her own performance. For a final project, each student will
design and produce an e-portfolio for prospective employers
showcasing his or her accomplishments in this and other
courses. (Fall/Spring) Prerequisites: ENG 130, ENG 202, and
any Introduction to Literature.

ENG 420  MASS COMMUNICATIONS PRACTICUM
The Practicum consists of a seminar and an internship, taken
in the same semester. The seminar provides interns with
opportunities to reflect on the internship experience and
to examine issues of the field of Communications relevant
to that experience. The purpose of the Internship that goes
with the Practicum course is to provide Communications majors with practical, hands-on experience in the field.
A list of sites for internships is available in the English Department Office. Students must complete an application form (available also at the English Department Office) and
set up an interview with the Department Chairperson before
the deadlines set for Fall and Spring. NOTE: Internships and the Practicum course are to be taken the same semester.
Requirement for taking the Practicum and Internship:
2.8 minimum GPA in the major. Those who do not fulfill
this requirement must consult the Department Chairperson.
(Fall/Spring)

TVP 295  TV PRODUCTION I
TV Production 1 will introduce students to the basics of
field and studio video production through demonstrations,
in-class exercises and assignments. Emphasis will be placed
on creative storytelling using camerawork, lighting, sound
recording and non-linear editing techniques. We will be
using HD field and studio video cameras and the latest
professional Avid editing systems. Students will share
the roles and responsibilities of a professional television
production team, on location and using the studio facilities
in the Assumption College Media Center. (Fall, Spring)

TVP 390  TV PRODUCTION II
TV Production II will build on skills acquired in TV
Production I so students can produce their own high end
video productions. We will create story ideas, storyboards,
and develop pre-production approaches to ensure an
engaging presentation. We will learn advanced camera,
lighting and audio techniques as well as more elaborate
editing. Projects will include documentaries, narrative
fiction, sports reporting, and others based on what students
want to create. Prerequisites: Complete TVP 295 TV
Production I (Fall).

Lundeen, Three credits
**PROFESSORS:** Leslie Choquette, John McClymer, Associate Professors: Stuart Borsch, Carl Keyes, Irina Mukhina (Chairperson), Deborah Kisatsky, Lance Lazar, Assistant Professors: Winston Black, Mark Christensen, Thomas Wheatland, Lecturers: David Cohen, Barry Knowlton, David McCowin, Chieko Nakajima, Richard Oehling.

**MISSION STATEMENT**
Students of history embark on disciplined journeys through the past. Through coursework in an array of subjects, students encounter diverse civilizations and cultures. They practice the historical method of interpreting human thought and action in varied contexts, and they improve their reading, writing, and oral communication skills. By developing historical empathy and learning to articulate informed judgments about the past, students acquire a more astute perspective on the present and future. They may be inspired to contemplate their own engagement with the wider world and to contribute more purposefully to the betterment of human society. The History Department's mission of fostering historical and self-awareness serves the College's mission of forming graduates known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship, and compassionate service.

**MAJOR IN HISTORY**
A major in History provides students with the opportunity to understand life in the present by exploring the rich and varied experiences of people who lived in the past. It trains the mind to think both abstractly and concretely, using analytic skills required for balanced reflection. It also provides excellent training in the interpretation of evidence and contributes to the development of strong reading and writing skills.

Majors are prepared to pursue careers in any field that draws upon the strong analytic and communication skills, deepened perspective, and breadth of vision that come from the study of the past. Many Assumption History majors go on to enjoy successful careers in business, journalism, law, education, and public service.

**Required Courses:** (10)
- The seminar, HIS 393WE, is taken in conjunction with a linked pro-seminar, HIS 391, which provides background and context for the seminar topic. The pro-seminar is taken in the same semester as the seminar, usually during the junior or senior year.
- At least three courses, with a minimum of one from each of the three groups:

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**Group II**
- HIS 180 United States to 1877 (not for General Education)
- HIS 181 United States since 1877 (not for General Education)
- HIS 213 Women and the American Experience
- HIS 258 Colonial America
- HIS 259 Revolutionary America, 1763–1815
- HIS 262 Civil War and Reconstruction in the United States
- HIS 263 Vietnam War
- HIS 267 American Foreign Relations since 1776
- HIS 268 The Cold War
- HIS 270 Immigration and American History since 1815
- HIS 285 Women's Studies I: Images
- HIS 366 Vocations in Public History

**Group III**
- HIS 250 Colonial Latin America
- HIS 251 Latin America since 1821
- HIS 252 Religion in Colonial Latin America
- HIS 254 North American Indian
- HIS 255 From Contact to Casinos: Interactions with Indians in North America
- HIS 265 Peace Studies
- HIS 282 Japan since 1868
- HIS 283 Modern China. War and Revolution
- HIS 290 Islamic Middle East I (to 1800)
- HIS 291 Islamic Middle East II (since 1800)
- HIS 293 From Jesus to Muhammad: The Near East in Transition
- WMS 385 Women of the World

**Electives:**
While History majors may take up to 14 courses in History, they are urged to take courses in related disciplines, such as Latin American Studies, Women's Studies, Peace and Conflict Studies, Political Science, Anthropology, Sociology, Economics, Geography, Literature, Philosophy, and Theology, in order to broaden their liberal arts backgrounds. Students intending to pursue graduate work should note that a reading knowledge of French, German, Spanish, or
other foreign languages is often required of doctoral candidates and in some cases of master's candidates.

**Other recommendations**
Internships for credit are available for History majors. The interdisciplinary American Studies Seminar of the American Antiquarian Society and five Worcester colleges is available on a competitive basis to outstanding Assumption students from across the disciplines every fall. This seminar fulfills the seminar and pro-seminar requirement for History majors. It counts as a Writing Emphasis (WE) course and also fulfills the colloquium requirement for History minors.

**MINOR IN HISTORY**

**Required Courses:**
- HIS 392 Colloquium
  (Minors in History may choose the option of taking the seminar/proseminar pairing or of enrolling in the American Studies Seminar of the American Antiquarian Society rather than taking the colloquium. They should note that enrolling in the HIS 393WE seminar entails taking its corresponding pro-seminar as well.)
  - At least one course from Group I (above).
  - At least one course from Group II (above).
  - At least one course from Group III (above).
  - Two other courses from Departmental offerings.

**FOR MIDDLE AND SECONDARY EDUCATION DOUBLE MAJORS WITH HISTORY**
For students interested in becoming history teachers at the middle or high school level, Assumption College offers a state-approved teacher preparation program for history in grades 5–8 or 8–12. Such students should major in History with a major in Middle (grades 5–8) or Secondary (grades 8–12) Education. Students who are interested in obtaining a teaching license in history should meet with the Education Program Coordinator by their second semester to acquire information about applying to the Education Major.

**THE MAJOR IN HISTORY, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TRACK**
The Elementary Track applies only to those students who are pursuing a concurrent Major in Education with a licensure emphasis in Elementary (1–6). History Majors who are pursuing licensure in Middle/Secondary Education (5–8; 8–12) would still take the standard 10 course History Major as given in the catalog.

**Required Courses (6)**
- Choose one of the following pairs of courses:
  - HIS 114–115  West and the World I & II or
  - HIS 116–117  Western Civilization

- Choose one of the following:
  - HIS 180  United States to 1877
  - HIS 181  United States since 1877

- EDU 323  History and Social Studies in the Elementary Curriculum

- Capstone Sequence (2 courses)
  - HIS 393W  History Seminar Class &
  - HIS 391  History Pro-Seminar Class

**Elective Courses (4)**
- A minimum of four additional history courses numbered above 200
- Students must take at least one course from each of the principle Groups 1 through III (see catalog)

**NOTE:** The Elementary Track only applies to those students who are pursuing a concurrent Major in Education with a licensure emphasis in Elementary Education (1–6). If a student withdraws from the Education Major, then the option to pursue the Elementary Track in the History Major no longer applies.

**A NOTE ON PRE-LAW** The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the "Pre-Law" section under "Cooperative Programs of Study." Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**HISTORY (HIS)**

**HIS 114  WEST AND THE WORLD I**
This course explores important episodes and trends in the history of Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Americas from ancient times until the late eighteenth century. Participants study the origins and worldwide expansion of Christianity, the dramatic transformation of Western European societies during the Renaissance and after, and the collision and convergence of European, American, Asian, and African civilizations across the centuries. The course emphasizes the written analysis of primary and secondary documents. This course fulfills the Core requirement in History and Humanities.

*Staff/Three credits*
HIS 115  WEST AND THE WORLD II
This course explores the expansion of political participation in Europe from the Atlantic Revolutions of the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries to the present. Students study the commercial revolution in Europe and North America as well as other areas of the world. They examine the experiences of societies in Asia, Africa, and the Americas as global capitalism emerged and European and North American colonial empires expanded. The course also treats the two World Wars of the twentieth century and the emergence of powerful challenges to liberal democracy worldwide, including communism, fascism, and anti-colonial nationalism. It concludes with the study of particular episodes and trends in world history after 1945. At the instructor's discretion, these might include the Cold War, emergence of the United States as a superpower, the rise of mass consumer societies, decolonization, changes in gender and family relations, 9/11, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and other themes. The course emphasizes the written analysis of primary and secondary sources. This course fulfills the Core requirement in History and Humanities. HIS114 is not a prerequisite.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 116  WESTERN CIVILIZATION I
This course explores human ideas and experiences that have shaped the Western World from ancient times through the Middle Ages. The ages of classical Greece and Rome, the rise of Christianity, the emergence of medieval culture and thought, the slow evolution of national identities, and myriad political, religious, and social conflicts of the pre-modern eras are explored. The course emphasizes written analysis of primary and secondary sources. It fulfills the Core requirement in History and Humanities.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 116FH  FOUNDATIONS HONORS WESTERN CIVILIZATION I
This Honors course explores human ideas and experiences that have shaped the Western World from ancient times through the Middle Ages. The ages of classical Greece and Rome, the rise of Christianity, the emergence of medieval culture and thought, the slow evolution of national identities, and myriad political, religious, and social conflicts of the pre-modern eras are explored. The course emphasizes written analysis of primary and secondary sources. It fulfills the Core requirement in History and Humanities and counts towards the Foundations minor. History 116FH is not a prerequisite.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 117  WESTERN CIVILIZATION II
This course studies the rise of the modern state, the rise of scientific inquiry and modern science, the course and implications of industrialization, and the role of ideology as an agent of politics, revolution, and war. The course emphasizes written analysis of primary and secondary sources. It fulfills the Core requirement in History and Humanities. History 116 is not a prerequisite.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 117FH  FOUNDATIONS HONORS WESTERN CIVILIZATION II
This Honors course studies the rise of the modern state, the rise of scientific inquiry and modern science, the course and implications of industrialization, and the role of ideology as an agent of politics, revolution, and war. The course emphasizes written analysis of primary and secondary sources. It fulfills the Core requirement in History and Humanities and counts towards the Foundations minor. History 116FH is not a prerequisite.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 180  UNITED STATES TO 1877
The first semester of this two-semester survey of American history begins with a study of indigenous peoples. It then examines the colonial encounters among European settlers, aboriginal inhabitants, and Africans, the growth of the English colonies in the context of the Atlantic World, tensions between the colonies and England culminating in the Revolution, the emergence of the first American republic, 1783-1844, sectional rivalries and westward expansion, the collapse of the "second party system" (Democrats v. Whigs), Civil War and Reconstruction. The course emphasizes written analysis of primary and secondary sources. It fulfills the Core requirement in History and the Humanities.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 181  UNITED STATES SINCE 1877
The second semester of this two-semester survey of American history briefly reprises the story of the Civil War and Reconstruction, then focuses upon the rise of an urban, industrial, ethnically diverse America in the years before the Great Depression. The course next explores the re-inventing of the American republic during the New Deal, World War II, and Cold War years, and concludes with an examination of the roots of the current "culture wars." The course emphasizes written analysis of primary and secondary sources. It fulfills the Core requirement in History and the Humanities. History 180 is not a prerequisite.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 202  ANCIENT ROME, 509 B.C.–565 A.D.
From Rome’s rejection of Etruscan supremacy to the death of Justinian. Emphasis on Rome’s transition from Republic to Empire and on the subsequent transition from paganism to Christianity.

Borsch/Three credits

HIS 206  RISE AND DECLINE OF EUROPEAN PRIMACY, 1870 TO THE PRESENT
An investigation of the emergence of Germany, France, and Great Britain as great world powers and their subsequent collapse after the First and Second World Wars. Special consideration given to the influence of imperialism, militarism, and power politics.

Wheatland/Three credits
HIS 208  EARLY MEDIEVAL EUROPE
A study of the origins of the European community from the fall of the Roman Empire to the eve of the Crusades.
Black/Three credits

HIS 209  LATE MEDIEVAL EUROPE
A study of European institutions and culture from the Crusades to the eve of the Renaissance.
Black/Three credits

HIS 210  DIPLOMATIC HISTORY OF EUROPE IN THE 20TH CENTURY
Diplomatic history of Europe since 1914 with an emphasis on the political collapse of Europe, the German problem in an age of international civil war, and the beginning of the Cold War.
Wheatland/Three credits

HIS 212  WOMEN IN EUROPE
An introduction to European women's history from the Middle Ages to the twentieth century. The course examines the economic, social, and political position of women with particular attention to Britain, France, and Germany. It spans the pre-industrial and industrial periods and focuses especially on women's work, women in the family, women in religion, and women's political activities.
Choquette/Three credits

HIS 213  WOMEN AND THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE
Students in this course explore the contribution of women to the American historical experience and examine the impact of changes in American politics, economics, and society on the lives of women and their families. Through readings, class discussions, films, and independent writing assignments, students learn to explain the diversity of experience that has always characterized women and families in America.
McClymer/Three credits

HIS 230  RENAISSANCE EUROPE
Led by the humanists' rediscovery of the classical world, Renaissance writers, artists, political analysts, philosophers, and theorists opened new horizons of culture and learning. Europeans developed critical attitudes toward the past, explored the globe, established new methodologies for nearly every discipline, and created new modes of artistic and literary expression in ways that profoundly shape our world today.
Lazar/Three credits

HIS 232  BAROQUE EUROPE, 1600–1789
This course explores the intersection of culture, politics, religion, and science in Europe from the seventeenth through the eighteenth centuries, a period of convulsive change in which the contours of the modern West were formed. The class introduces students to the richness and variety of creativity across many disciplines in a period typically designated as the “Golden Age” within the literary and artistic cultures of Spain, France, England, Italy, Holland, and Germany.
Lazar/Three credits

HIS 235  FRANCE SINCE 1789
A study of France from the end of the Old Regime to the emergence of the Fifth Republic, emphasizing revolutionary traditions, church-state relations, and France's European and world position.
Choquette/Three credits

HIS 241  RUSSIA: PRE-REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD
From the Kievan period (tenth century) to the Bolshevik Revolution with special attention to such topics as Byzantine influence, westernization, technological development, art and literature, and revolutionary tradition.
Mukhina/Three credits

HIS 242  RUSSIA SINCE 1917
Beginning with a summary study of traditional Russian political culture, the Russian revolutionary heritage, and the origins and early development of the Bolshevik wing of the Russian Social Democratic Labor Party, the course investigates the collapse of the old order, the seizure of power by Lenin and his followers, and the history of the Soviet Union until its collapse in 1989.
Mukhina/Three credits

HIS 250  COLONIAL LATIN AMERICA
This course is a survey of colonial Latin American history. It traces the historical origins of Latin American society, focusing on the clash of cultures. Themes include an examination into Iberian and pre-Columbian societies, conquest and subordination of Amerindian civilizations by Spain and Portugal, the distribution of power; land and labor issues, and the order and instability of colonial society.
Christensen/Three credits

HIS 251  LATIN AMERICA SINCE 1821
This course is intended as a survey of modern Latin American history beginning with independence from Spain, and following through the explosive impact of the Mexican Revolution of 1910. The course ends with an examination of the present day struggle for democracy and economic stability in Latin American nations, such as Mexico, Argentina, Peru, Columbia, and the countries of the Central American republics. The themes of the course focus on the causes and consequences of structural instability in Latin America since 1800. Special emphasis is placed on the collapse of the region's traditional liberal/export model of national development in the 1930s and current political and economic crisis.
Christensen/Three credits

HIS 252  RELIGION IN COLONIAL LATIN AMERICA
Human sacrifice, cannibalism, bloodletting, confession, penance, miracles, and the Virgin of Guadalupe all make up the diverse religious beliefs of Latin America. This course
examines these beliefs from the Aztec and Maya, to the Spanish conquistadors, to their descendants, and presents the students with a firm historical understanding of the establishment of Christianity in the Americas. We will explore the similarities and differences between Latin America's religious beliefs in the colonial period, with a particular emphasis on the spread of Catholicism and its successes and failures in replacing preexisting beliefs in Mexico and Yucatan. Christensen/Three credits

HIS 254 NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN
An interdisciplinary course that seeks to integrate the methodology and findings of anthropology, biology (genetics and nutrition), history, and linguistics in the study of representative Indian groups within select culture areas, for example, the Arctic, the Subarctic, the Eastern Woodlands, the Northwest Coast, the Southeast, the Southwest, and the Plains. (Same as ANT 254) Choquette, Keyes/Three credits

HIS 255 FROM CONTACT TO CASINOS: INTERACTIONS WITH INDIANS IN NORTH AMERICA
An interdisciplinary course which allows a closer inquiry into a number of intriguing subjects which need to be more clearly understood if a better grasp of Indian culture is to be achieved. The topics have been selected on the basis of (a) the high priority usually given by scholars to certain Indian topics, (b) the continuing productive scholarship in, and even controversy on, certain subjects, and (c) the area of interest and expertise of the staff. Accordingly, new topics may be added as the interest and need warrant. (Same as ANT 255) (Spring) Choquette, Keyes /Three credits

HIS 258 COLONIAL AMERICA
This course explores the development of European colonies in North America with emphasis on the English colonies that eventually formed a political union and became the United States. Rather than focusing solely on the experiences of European settlers, we analyze a series of encounters among Native Americans, Europeans, and Africans throughout the colonial period, placing these exchanges within the broader context of the emerging Atlantic World. We also use a comparative approach to examine the emergence of distinctive regional patterns among those colonies and their roles in the imperial contests of the era. Topics addressed include the organization of early American culture around the interactions of Africans, Europeans, and Native Americans in North America, the diverse origins of explorers, settlers, and migrants, the political, cultural, and economic development of English colonies, slavery and other labor systems, and the first rumblings of the American Revolution produced by tensions within and beyond colonial British America. Keyes/Three credits

HIS 259 REVOLUTIONARY AMERICA
This course explores cultural, political, and economic changes in America from the age of imperial crisis through the era of the Early Republic. In addition to tracing the political history of the founding, we examine the experiences of Americans from diverse backgrounds, including women, slaves, free blacks, Native Americans, merchants, farmers, common soldiers, abolitionists, artisans, loyalists, and others. We examine their multiple perspectives on the Revolution, the drafting and ratification of the Constitution, and the cultural and political turmoil that emerged amidst the ensuing rise of political parties. The course takes both a narrative and an analytical approach by focusing on major interpretive issues in a more-or-less chronological fashion. We also assess how well popular narratives of the Revolution and the Early Republic reflect scholarly understandings of the period. This course fulfills the “Founding Documents” requirement for Education concentrators. Keyes/Three credits

HIS 260 CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES
This course examines the sectional conflict, the inability to resolve problems, issues leading to secession, the military, political, and social dimensions of the Civil War, and the era of Reconstruction. McElwee/Three credits

HIS 262 THE VIETNAM WAR
An exploration of how Americans and Vietnamese on all sides of the conflict experienced the war (1945–1975) and sought to discern meaning from it. Kisatsky/Three credits

HIS 265 PEACE STUDIES
This course examines causes of global and personal conflict and allows students to discuss means of resolution within historical as well as sociological contexts. The lead professors will stimulate debate by personal example. Guest speakers will provide additional expertise in specific areas relevant to the weekly discussion. Staff/Three credits

HIS 266 AMERICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS SINCE 1776
An examination of U.S. interactions with the world from 1776 to the present. Topics include the diplomacy of the American Revolution, American westward expansion, the United States’ emergence as a world power, both World Wars, the Cold War, 9/11, and aftermath. The cultural, economic, and political context and consequences of U.S. globalism at home and abroad are emphasized. Kisatsky/Three credits

HIS 268 THE COLD WAR
This course traces the history of the Cold War through the lens of American policy, politics, and culture. Students explore the causes, character, and consequences of the Cold War by considering the role that strategic, political, economic, cultural, and ideological forces play in shaping events and their outcomes. The effects of the Cold War on life and culture (economic relationships, gender and race
relations, popular culture) in the United States and around the world are treated in depth.
Kisatsky/Three credits

**HIS 270 IMMIGRATION AND AMERICAN HISTORY SINCE 1815**
A study of the role of the immigrant in American history, the impact on American society, and the process of assimilation and identification. The consequences of restriction since 1921 are also investigated.
McClymer/Three credits

**HIS 272 GERMANY SINCE 1890**
A study of the development of Germany as a world power in the nineteenth century. Topics include Germany's experiences in war and peace, monarchy, democracy, and dictatorship from the era of Wilhelm II through the age of Hitler, democracy and reconstruction in West Germany since World War II, the Cold War, the reunification of Germany, and Germany's role in a new Europe.
Wheatland/Three credits

**HIS 282 JAPAN SINCE 1868**
Designed to introduce students to the major themes of Japanese history during the late nineteenth century and the twentieth century, the course begins by defining the nature of Japanese feudalism on the eve of 1868 and the internal and external challenges that resulted in the momentous political, social, and cultural transformation known as the Meiji Restoration of 1868. The course continues by exploring the domestic and international forces leading to war in the Pacific, the period of American occupation, and post-war recovery.
Staff/Three credits

**HIS 283 MODERN CHINA: WAR AND REVOLUTION**
This course surveys the history of China from the 19th century to the present post-Deng era. The transformation that China underwent in the last two centuries is one of the most drastic and exciting ones in world history. The course focuses on various wars and revolutions that involved the Chinese people in the modern period. In addition to studying the major political changes, the course also addresses broader social issues, including the changing status of women, the development of youth culture, and transformation of the peasantry.
Staff/Three credits

**HIS 285 WOMEN’S STUDIES I: IMAGES**
This course is an introduction to the study of women. The course develops a coherent, integrated view of women and their roles, emphasizes the full range of contributions of and the limited opportunities for women, examines and appraises the experiences of women, and critically examines the thinking about women at various times and from various perspectives. The basic approach is interdisciplinary and the concentration of the course is on women in North America from the 19th century to the present. This course satisfies the humanities requirement in the Core Curriculum.
Choquette, Keyes/Three credits

**HIS 290 ISLAMIC MIDDLE EAST I (TO 1800)**
This course examines the history of the pre-modern Middle East from the genesis of Islam in seventh century Arabia to the advent of Western power and dominance in the region. The course covers religious, cultural, and socio-economic developments in the Middle East. In addition to examining the origins of the Qur'an and Muhammad's proselytizing mission in the Arabian Peninsula, the course analyzes the reasons for Islam's rapid political takeover of territory stretching from Spain to Central Asia. It also examines how the conquered territories and peoples exerted a strong formative influence on the development of Islam. The Islam's numerous philosophic, scientific, and technological achievements which marked a period of progress in the European Middle Ages are stressed.
Borsch/Three credits

**HIS 291 ISLAMIC MIDDLE EAST II (SINCE 1800)**
This course examines the history of the modern Middle East. It covers the period in which the traditional societies of the Middle East were profoundly altered by their contacts with the Western world. It analyzes broad social issues such as the changing role of the middle class, the transformation of traditional authority and the emergence of potent new symbols of power in the twentieth century, such as nationalism, modernization, and resurgent Muslim identities.
Borsch/Three credits

**HIS 293 FROM JESUS TO MUHAMMAD: THE NEAR EAST IN TRANSITION**
This course examines the history of the Near East from 50 BCE to 750 CE. The course addresses a very critical period of transition for the Near East, one in which a variety of religious experiences structured the life of people in classical times and late antiquity. It analyzes broad social issues such as the changing patterns of urban rural interaction, the growing power and influence of marginal societies such as the peasants of Mesopotamia and the Bedouin of Arabia, the transformation of traditional authority and the emergence of effective new symbols of power. The course ultimately traces the significant developments by which the Near Eastern societies were transformed from classical Roman and Imperial Persian paradigms into a unified caliphate under the new religion of Islam.
Borsch/Three credits

**HIS 338 CLASSICS OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTION**
Over the course of two millennia, the Christian tradition has developed an extensive and subtle literature of spiritual counsel. Spiritual guides in every century offered new frameworks for understanding the Christian condition and responding to the call of the heart. Some of these writings, as a result of their exquisite clarity and intimacy, have transcended their time as classics of the genre, offering the most profound insights into the yearnings, trials, and deepest consolations of the soul. (Typical authors include Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Catherine of Siena, Ignatius Loyola, François de Sales, Thomas à Kempis, and Thérèse of Lisieux,
among others.) This course surveys this exceptional treasure-trove of spiritual literature in a way that both embeds it within its historical and cultural context, and captures its perennial validity and relevance, even (or especially) for the contemporary world. Counts for SOPHIA Initiative and MEMS.

Lazar/Three credits

HIS 366 VOCATIONS IN PUBLIC HISTORY
“What can I do with a degree in history?” This course introduces students to a variety of careers pursued by public history professionals, from archivists, curators, and editors to administrators, cultural resources managers, and policy advisors. In the process of examining the diverse manifestations of presenting the past beyond the classroom, we will analyze the professional issues and political problems that practitioners of public history encounter. This will include an exploration of the relationship between historians and communities engaged in conversations and debates about both the purpose of history education and the intersections of history, cultural memory, heritage, and commemoration. Students will also gain practical experience through participating in a Community Service Learning project or internship in collaboration with a local public history institution or organization.

Keyes/Three credits

WMS 385 WOMEN OF THE WORLD
This course uses the personal stories of women around the world as a lens into current global issues. Each week participants read accounts of women’s lives in regions outside of the United States, along with readable texts that provide historical and contemporary background for personal experiences. Students encounter the powerful and the powerless, the rich and the poor, the courageous and the meek, and in learning their stories, also learn something about the world that they inhabit, and that we inhabit along with them. In this global age in which we live, what happens at the individual and the local level is intricately connected with what is happening around the world, including in our own homes and communities. In experiencing a “world of women,” we learn about the human struggles that unite and divide people across cultures in the modern world.

Keyes/Three credits

HIS 389 SPECIAL TOPICS IN HISTORY
This course permits the study of selected topics in history. The topic normally changes each time the course is offered.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 390 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Open to highly qualified Junior and Senior History majors. Permission of the Chair is required.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 391 HISTORY PRO-SEMINAR
Designed primarily for History majors and minors in their junior or senior year, the Pro-seminar is formally linked to the History Seminar (HIS 393), taught by the same instructor in the same semester on a topic of the instructor’s choice. The Pro-seminar offers a broad survey of an historical subject or period, while the Seminar provides an opportunity for in-depth study and independent research on a discrete topic.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 392 HISTORY COLLOQUIUM
Designed principally for History majors and minors, the Colloquium brings together a small number of advanced students to study in depth a fairly restricted topic, for example, Stalinist Russia, 9/11, American Radicals, 2012, and Central Asia. The topic is selected by the professor teaching the course in a given semester.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 393 WE HISTORY SEMINAR
A writing- and research-oriented course designed primarily for History majors and minors, the Seminar introduces students to the practice of historical scholarship. Students intensively study an historical problem or subject, and they conduct individual research on different aspects of the seminar topic. Previous seminars have treated the American Revolution, Slave Narratives, Renaissance Humanism, the Holocaust, Salem Village Witchcraft, the Dreyfus Affair, the Vietnam War, and World War II in the Pacific. The seminar is taken in conjunction with a Pro-seminar (History 391), a course providing background and context for the seminar topic. The Pro-seminar is taken in the same semester as the Seminar, usually in the junior or senior year. This seminar fulfills the Writing Emphasis requirement in the Core Curriculum.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 394 PRACTICUM IN THE TEACHING OF HISTORY
On occasion, students with a special interest in teaching History may work as assistants in the planning, teaching, and evaluation of one of the department’s introductory courses. Open only to Juniors and Seniors.

Staff/Three credits

AAS 350 AMERICAN STUDIES SEMINAR AT THE AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY
Each fall, the American Antiquarian Society and five Worcester colleges sponsor an interdisciplinary research seminar focusing on a different aspect of early American history and culture. The seminar topic and research methods combine several disciplines, and students from a wide variety of majors have participated successfully in this unique undergraduate opportunity. Recent seminar topics have included “Puritan Captivity Narratives and Native Stones,” “America’s Environmental Histories,” and “Sexualities in Early America.” The seminar meets at the American Antiquarian Society and is conducted by a scholar familiar with the Society’s collections. Selection is highly competitive. The participating students are chosen by a screening committee made up of representatives from the five participating...
colleges. Assumption, Clark University, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Worcester State College. This seminar fulfills the seminar and pro-seminar requirement for History majors, it fulfills the colloquium requirement for History minors, and it fills the Writing Emphasis requirement for the core. (Fall only)
Staff/Six credits

GRADUATE SCHOOL PREPARATION

The History Department is strongly committed to preparing interested students for graduate-level work in History by fostering the critical skills necessary for success. Faculty mentor students who aspire to Master's or Ph.D.-level work and assist those students in selecting a graduate program, preparing graduate school applications, and narrowing a field of interest. Students seeking to advance their education beyond the Baccalaureate level may consult with the History Chair, the Undergraduate Research and Fellowship Coordinator (Professor Carl Keyes), or any faculty member in the History Department.

GRADUATE SCHOOL AGREEMENT

Assumption College/ Regis College Heritage Studies Program
Assumption College and the Western Regis College offer an accelerated program of study that allows qualified students to earn a Master's degree from Regis College by counting up to two Assumption History courses for credit in the Regis program. For more information, contact the History Chair.

PRE-LAW PREPARATION

The legal profession is complex, rigorous, and entails the responsibility for strong ethical choices and critical thinking. It is a profession with effects in all facets of society. Moreover, it is diverse and always changing, making dull moments a rarity. For students considering a career in this profession, Assumption College offers a wide path to follow. Students are not restricted to a rigid course track, but have the freedom to choose the appropriate courses themselves, guided by the view that a challenging liberal arts education is the best preparation for a professional career. Whether it be History, Political Science, English, or even Natural Sciences, students have the ability to concentrate their studies in an area that both interests and challenges them. Law school admissions officers agree that intensive liberal arts classes in reading, writing, and speaking nourish precisely those intellectual virtues required in the study and practice of law, namely, the ability to analyze a given issue from differing perspectives and to draw accurate conclusions from it.

Though students do not enroll in a specific Pre-Law program at Assumption, the College recommends that students seek the advice of its Pre-Law Committee. The Committee offers individualized curricular advice to students in all majors, helping students tailor their course load in a manner most suitable to their particular circumstance. The Committee consists of two faculty members who hold informational meetings for students and arrange meetings with representatives from law schools and with Assumption College Alumni who are in law school and in the legal profession. The Committee sponsors tours of law schools, law class visitations, moot-court field trips, and legal internships and, above all, aids students in their preparation for the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) while guiding them through the law school application process. Members of the Pre-Law Committee encourage students to seek their services early in the students' academic careers. Assumption graduates have gone on to matriculate at such law schools as Boston College, Brooklyn College of Law, Catholic University of America-Columbus School of Law, New England School of Law, Suffolk University School of Law, Florida State University and the University of Notre Dame, and have continued to succeed in the profession.

For more information contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767–7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

LAW SCHOOL AGREEMENTS

Assumption College/ Duquesne University School of Law B.A./J.D.
Assumption College and Duquesne University School of Law offer an accelerated program of study that allows qualified students to earn a bachelor's degree from Assumption College and a law degree from Duquesne University in six years. Typically seven years of study are required to earn these degrees.

In order to be eligible for admission into this accelerated program, students must complete the requirements of their major and the General Education Requirements of Assumption College in their first three years of study. Upon successful completion of their first year of law school at Duquesne, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the law school is not guaranteed. For more information about this program, contact Prof. Bernard J. Dobski.

Assumption College/ Western New England College School of Law B.A./J.D.
Assumption College and the Western New England College School of Law offer an accelerated program of study that allows qualified students to earn a bachelor's degree from Assumption College and a law degree from Western New England College School of Law in six years. Typically seven years of study are required to earn these degrees.
In order to be eligible for admission into this accelerated program, students must complete the requirements of their major and the General Education Requirements of Assumption College in their first three years of study. Upon successful completion of their first year of law school at Western New England College School of Law, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the law school is not guaranteed. For more information about this program, contact Prof. Bernard J. Dobski.

Assumption College/Vermont Law School B.A./J.D.
Assumption College and the Vermont Law School offer an accelerated program of study that allows qualified students to earn a bachelor's degree from Assumption College and a law degree from Vermont Law School in six years. Typically seven years of study are required to earn these degrees. In order to be eligible for admission into this accelerated program, students must complete the requirements of their major and the General Education Requirements of Assumption College in their first three years of study. Upon successful completion of their first year of law school at Vermont Law School, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. The Vermont Law School has an exceptionally strong program in Environmental Law, and it has consistently been ranked among the top one or two programs in the country by US News and World Report. Students interested in pursuing a J.D. in Environmental Law may wish to consider this program. The Vermont College of Law also prepares students for the practice of other areas of law, so admission to this institution is not limited to those interested in Environmental Law. Admission into the law school is not guaranteed. For more information about this program, contact Prof. Bernard J. Dobski.
Department of Human Services & Rehabilitation Studies

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Assistant Professors: Cinzia Pica-Smith, Keith Lahikainen, Scott Tyner, Robert Caron, Visiting Professor: Mark Stewar, Alison Myette (Coordinator, Communication Sciences and Disorders Concentration), Lecturers: Robert Bureau, Fr. Terrance Dougherty, O.C.D. (Emeritus), Calvin Hill, Heather March, Sarai Rivera, Beverly Stewart, Doug Klier, Tammy Murray Clinical Coordinator: Susan Sabelli.

Major in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

The major in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies is based upon the philosophy that all humans have worth and potential. The undergraduate program in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies is committed to preparing students to maximize the participation, inclusion and functioning of all individuals in the community. The Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies curriculum incorporates a humanistic, strengths-based, social justice perspective to working with all individuals representing diversity. It is within this context that the liberal arts are integrated with the study of human, disability, and rehabilitation services. A significant component of the HSRS curriculum is its culmination in an semester long internship that enables students to develop and refine the attitudes, knowledge, and skills necessary for working as human service professionals in a variety of service settings. A specific emphasis in the HSRS curriculum focuses on developing competencies for working with children and adults with disabilities in human service and rehabilitation settings. After completion of the undergraduate program in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies, students are prepared to work in a wide range of human service professions serving children and adults with disabilities and other challenging life circumstances.

The major in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies is committed to preparing students to achieve the following:

- Thorough understanding of the social, psychological, economic, physical, medical, cultural, and other environmental factors faced by individuals who are to be helped through their involvement in the human and rehabilitation services.
- Thorough understanding of the history, philosophy and legislation that comprises the underpinnings of the human and rehabilitation service professions.
- Understanding of the history, treatment and education of people with disabilities and special needs.
- Thorough understanding of human development across the lifespan.
- Knowledge in developmental, physical, cognitive, sensory, and psychiatric disabilities.
- Thorough understanding of the roles and functions of human and rehabilitation service practitioners in a wide variety of professional settings.
- Skills in effective verbal communication through intense study and practice of interviewing and basic counseling skill training.
- Skills in effective written communication through intense study and practice of research report writing, client report writing, and the standards of case documentation.
- Skills in utilizing information and assessment in an effort to assist people in solving problems and reaching life goals.
- Skills in locating and utilizing community resources in an effort to assist people to solve problems and reach life goals.
- Knowledge of interventions and strategies employed to assist children and adults in a variety of human service and rehabilitation settings.
- Thorough understanding of and developed skills in the case management process.
- Thorough understanding of the ethical principles and standards that affect the delivery of human and rehabilitation services.
- Thorough understanding of the importance of career development and employment and the subsequent development of these skills to assist people in reaching vocational goals.
- Successful demonstration of the integration of theory, strategies and interventions learned in the classroom into professional practice by completing a semester long supervised internship in a human service setting.

The major in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies provides a strong undergraduate foundation for graduate professional education in a variety of health and human service-related fields including rehabilitation counseling, school counseling, social work, special education, speech-language pathology, counseling psychology, school psychology, adjustment counseling, physical therapy, occupational therapy and nursing.

Required Courses:
The major in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies requires the successful completion of the following courses:

First Year:

HRS 119 Introduction to Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (Fall/Spring)

HRS 121 Human Development and Disability Across the Lifespan (Fall/Spring)
### Sophomore Year:
- **HRS 200** Addiction: Etiology, Assessment, Treatment and Rehabilitation (Fall/Spring)
- **HRS 210** Medical Aspects of Disability (Fall/Spring)
- **HRS 219** Rehabilitation Strategies and Interventions (Fall/Spring)

### Junior Year:
- **HRS 305** Client Information and Assessment (Fall)
- **HRS 320** Psychiatric Rehabilitation (Fall/Spring)
- **HRS 330** Interviewing Techniques in Human and Rehabilitation Services (Fall)
- **HRS 340** Principles of Case Management (Spring)

### Senior Year:
- **HRS 490** Internship in Human Services (Fall/Spring)

Students are also required to complete one course in each of the following perspective areas for the major in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies:

#### Psychological Perspective (Choose One):
- **PSY 116** Abnormal Psychology
- **PSY 140** Psychology of Personality
- **PSY 181** Psychology of Adolescence & Maturity
- **PSY 190** Psychology of Development: Infancy & Childhood
- **PSY 210** Social Psychology
- **PSY 353** Psychology of Learning

#### Cultural Perspective (Choose One):
- **ANT 131** Cultural Anthropology
- **ANT 225** Women and Men in a Cross-cultural Perspective
- **ANT 254** North American Indian
- **ANT 255** Interaction with Indians in North America
- **SOC 216** Racial and Ethnic Relations
- **SOC 224** Gender Issues in Society
- **SOC 230** Aging in Society
- **PSY 186** Psychology of Aging
- **PSY 217** Psychology of Women
- **HIS 269** History of African Americans
- **HIS 213** Women & the American Experience
- **SOC 206** The Sociology of Urban Life
- **SOC/PSY/WMS 285** Women's Studies I: Images
- **ENG 285** Women of the World

#### Societal, Family Perspective (Choose One):
- **SOC 122** Social Problems
- **SOC 223** The Family in Society

### Electives:
- **HRS 420** Family Aspects of Disability
- **EDU 201** Schools and Society

### Minor in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Students interested in supplementing another major by developing knowledge and skills in the areas of human services and rehabilitation studies may wish to pursue a minor. The minor consists of six courses, four of which are required. The four required courses are designed to provide students with a firm understanding of the range and diversity of human and rehabilitation service settings. The minor is also geared toward providing students with some core skills required of a human service professional. The minor also provides students with the opportunity to apply these fundamental skills by completing a 100 hour field placement experience. In addition to the four required courses, students are encouraged to choose two other HRS courses that suit their individual interests and career objectives. The minor program of study should be developed with a faculty member from the Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Department.

#### Required Courses:
- **PSY 225** Research Methods
- **PSY 265** Statistics
- **SOC 206** The Sociology of Urban Life
- **SOC 232** Inequality and Society
- **SOC 234** Social Policy
- **SOC 300** Words and Numbers: Tools of Sociological Analysis
- **HRS 125** Professional Orientation to Physical and Occupational Therapy
- **HRS 225** Introduction to Human Communication and its Disorders
- **HRS 227** Hearing and Deafness
- **HRS 228** Introduction to Sign Language
- **HRS 241** Prevention and Intervention Models and Approaches with Youth
- **HRS 265** Introduction to Peace Studies
- **HRS 321** Social Skill Development for Youth
- **HRS 329** Sign Language II
- **HRS 325** Clinically Based Phonetics of American English
- **HRS 331** Basic Concepts and Principles in Applied Behavior Analysis
- **HRS 335** Anatomy and Physiology of Speech and Hearing Mechanisms
- **HRS 420** Family Aspects of Disability
- **HRS 421** Loss and Bereavement across the Lifespan
- **HRS 485** Special Topics in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

**MINOR IN HUMAN SERVICES AND REHABILITATION STUDIES**

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Services and Rehabilitation Studies Department and approved by the Department Chairperson.

**Required Courses:**

- HRS 119  Introduction to Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies
- HRS 340  Principles of Case Management
- HRS 330  Interviewing Techniques in Human & Rehabilitation Services
- HRS 400  Field Experience in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (Field Placement for non-majors)

Choose two courses from the following list:

- HRS 121  Human Development and Disability Across the Lifespan
- HRS 125  Professional Orientation to Physical and Occupational Therapy
- HRS 200  Addiction: Etiology, Assessment, Treatment and Rehabilitation
- HRS 210  Medical Aspects of Disability
- HRS 219  Rehabilitation Strategies and Interventions
- HRS 225  Introduction to Human Communication and its Disorders
- HRS 227  Hearing and Deafness
- HRS 228  Introduction to Sign Language
- HRS 241  Prevention and Intervention Models and Approaches with Youth
- HRS 265  Introduction to Peace Studies
- HRS 305  Client Information and Assessment
- HRS 320  Psychiatric Rehabilitation
- HRS 321  Social Skill Development Strategies for Youth
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- HRS 485  Special Topics in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

**CONCENTRATION IN WORKING WITH CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS**

This concentration is dedicated to educating students in the theories and approaches identified as best practices and skill areas needed to work with children and adolescents in schools, agencies, clinics and community settings. The concentration prepares students to become practitioners that promote healthy social and emotional development and academic achievement through prevention and intervention strategies and programs grounded in ecological systems and social justice frameworks. Examples of such practitioners include, but are not limited to, early intervention specialists, paraprofessionals in school settings, case managers for youth, and youth workers in both residential and academic settings. The concentration also provides a strong foundation for those students hoping to go on to graduate school to pursue careers that focus on youth and family work such as counseling, social work, and education. The concentration focuses specifically on understanding how practitioners can support and strengthen youth's support systems and protective factors while minimizing the impact of risk factors. The program combines the practices of prevention, interventions, and system building to ensure that children and adolescents experience opportunities to practice strategies that promote their personal growth, academic success, social inclusion, etc. The concentration allows Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies majors an opportunity to further specialize their knowledge and skill base to develop and implement effective interventions when working with youth. Furthermore, this concentration affords students in other majors the opportunity to complete the specific coursework targeted at developing the knowledge and skills necessary for effective intervention with children and adolescents. Students interested in this concentration may choose to pursue graduate degrees in a number of areas such as Special Education, School Counseling, Applied Behavioral Analysis, Child Life Specialist, Rehabilitation Counseling, Counseling Psychology, Social Work, etc. Students in a variety of majors at Assumption College may wish to pursue this concentration based on their vocational and/or avocational aspirations.

**Required Courses:**

- HRS 121  Human Development and Disability Across the Lifespan (Fall/Spring 3 Credits)
- HRS 241  Prevention and Intervention Models and Approaches with Youth (Fall 3 credits)
- HRS 321  Social Skill Development Strategies for Youth (Spring 3 credits)
- HRS 420  Family and Disability (Spring 3 credits)

**Field Placement in an Approved Community Setting:**

- HRS 490  Internship in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (HSRS Majors only-12 credits)

**OR**

- HRS 400  Field Placement in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (Non HSRS Majors-3 credits)
CONCENTRATION IN COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS

For students interested in pursuing graduate studies in the fields of Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology, the Department of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies offers a concentration in Communication Sciences and Disorders. In accordance with the standards set forth by the American Speech, Language and Hearing Association (ASHA), undergraduate preparation in human communication sciences and disorders should include “broad educational experiences in areas traditionally recognized as liberal arts...with a strong foundation in oral and written communication skills”. Thus, the concentration in Communication Sciences and Disorders builds on Assumption College’s strong liberal arts foundation with courses specifically focused on human communication, social and behavioral sciences, mathematics, as well as biological and physical sciences. The Concentration in Communication Sciences and Disorders is a program offered through the Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies department at Assumption College with some required courses taken at Worcester State University, a member of the Colleges of Worcester Consortium.

For those students who have completed all required courses in the concentration AND 20 hours of clinical practice under a licensed Speech Language Pathologist, it is possible to secure a license as a Speech Language Pathology Assistant in the state of Massachusetts. Other states may have different licensing requirements. Therefore, students who are interested in becoming Assistants outside of Massachusetts should look into licensing requirements for the state they plan to work in.

Required Courses:
Communication Science Courses:
- HRS 225 Introduction to Human-Communication and its Disorders (Spring)
- HRS 335 Anatomy and Physiology of Speech and Hearing Mechanisms (Fall-Assumption College)
- HRS 235 Normal Development of Speech and Language (Fall-Assumption College)
- HRS 325 Clinically Based Phonetics of American English (Spring-Assumption College)
- CD 201 Hearing Science (Fall/Spring-Worcester State University)
- CD 202 Speech Science (Fall/Spring-Worcester State University)
- CD 305 Introduction to Audiology (Fall/Spring-Worcester State University)

Other required Courses:
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood (Fall/Spring)
- PSY 265 Statistics
- 1 additional course in the Behavioral Sciences
- 1 Mathematics Course
- 1 Biology Course
- 1 Physics or Chemistry Course
(Note: one science course must be taken with a lab)

CONCENTRATION IN OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY

The minimal entry-level degree for practice as a Physical or Occupational Therapist is a clinical masters degree in the appropriate discipline. The Concentration in Occupational and Physical Therapy is designed to prepare students for graduate study in Physical or Occupational Therapy. The concentration is not a major, and all students completing the concentration must also complete the requirements of a major prior to graduation. A student may complete any major while also completing the concentration.

Many students interested in Occupational or Physical Therapy have majored in Biology, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies, or Psychology, and many of the courses required for the concentration are also required for completion of these majors.

The concentration has a total of 16 required courses (please see the list below). One course, Exercise Physiology, is not currently taught at Assumption College, but is available at Anna Marie College (BIO 240: Exercise Physiology) and Becker College (EXSC 3300: Exercise Physiology). Assumption College students are eligible to take this course at one of these consortium schools without paying an additional fee.

Required Courses:
- HRS 125 Professional Orientation to Physical and Occupational Therapy
- BIO 160 Concepts of Biology
- BIO 240 Mammalian Anatomy
- BIO 370 General Physiology
- CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I and II
- PHY 201–202 General Physics I and II
- BIO/HRS 390 Exercise Physiology
- PSY 101 General Psychology
- PSY 116 Abnormal Psychology
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development
- SOC 121 Principles of Sociology

One of the two HRS courses listed below:
- HRS 490 Internship in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (if HSRS Major-12 Credits)
HRS 400 Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies (if Non HSRS Major-3 credits)

One of the following two Statistics courses:
PSY 265 Statistics
ECO 115 Statistics

One of the following two math courses:
MAT 114 Elementary Functions
MAT 117 Calculus I

Recommended (but not required) coursework
BIO 415 Principles of Neuroscience
PSY 351 Physiological Psychology

First semester freshman who want to complete the concentration should enroll in BIO 160, CHE 131, HRS 125, and the appropriate math course (i.e., MAT 114 or MAT 117). First-year students should also consult with the Health Professions Advisor, Dr. Steven Theroux, or Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Advisor, Dr. Robert Caron at the beginning of the fall semester to plan out the remainder of their course of study.

A significant number of hours (as many as 1,000) in fieldwork related to health care may be required for admission to some PT or OT programs. The internship experience required for our program may not provide all of the hours needed to satisfy this requirement. Additional experience can be gained by volunteer work or by acquiring a paid position as a rehabilitation aide. It may also be possible to obtain additional fieldwork experience by completing additional internships within the major.

It is also important to note that some graduate programs have atypical course requirements. Students who are considering applying to graduate school for Occupational or Physical Therapy should review the admission requirements of the schools they plan to apply to by the beginning of their Junior year in order to be certain they will have time to complete all of the necessary coursework before graduation.

Students who are interested in entering the Simmons University accelerated doctoral degree program in Physical Therapy should carefully plan their studies with their advisor and the Health Professions Advisor.

**SIX-IN-FIVE GRADUATE PROGRAM IN REHABILITATION COUNSELING**

The Department of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies has an accelerated path toward helping undergraduate students obtain a master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. The Six-in-Five Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counseling is open to all students at Assumption College regardless of their declared major. Undergraduate students that have completed general education requirements and the required courses in their major may begin the graduate program in Rehabilitation Counseling during their senior year. Upon completion of one additional year of graduate study (the fifth year), students will be awarded a Master of Arts Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. Students are then eligible to take the Certified Rehabilitation Counselor Examination and become nationally certified as a Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC).

Upon completion of this nationally accredited program in Rehabilitation Counseling, students have a number of professional options. Students can gain employment as a professional rehabilitation counselor in State Rehabilitation Agencies, Rehabilitation hospitals, Educational Settings, Private Settings, Insurance Based Settings, Independent Living Centers, etc. The Master’s Degree will enable students to achieve professional counselor status and improved prospects for advancement into supervisory positions. Students can also use the Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling for entry into a Doctoral Program.

Students interested in the Six-in-Five Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counseling should consult with the Chair of the Department of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies no later than February 1st of their junior year at Assumption College.

Admission to the Six-in-Five Program in Rehabilitation Counseling requires a strong undergraduate record of academic success. Interested students will apply to the program by submitting a letter of application to the HSRS Chairperson and submitting 2 academic letters of reference along with a transcript. Application materials are accepted until March 1st.

Once admitted to the Six-in-Five Program in Rehabilitation Counseling, students will begin taking graduate courses during their undergraduate senior year. On-going evaluation of student progress will take place during the senior year to ensure students are successfully completing graduate level coursework. During the spring semester of the senior year students with successful achievement will make application to Assumption College’s Graduate School and be admitted as official graduate students. Financial support such as grants and scholarships are available to qualified students.

**COURSE descriptions**

**HRS 119 INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN SERVICES AND REHABILITATION STUDIES**

This course is an introduction to the theory and practice of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies. The information presented in this course is intended for students in ALL
majors so that they may become politically, culturally, socially and humanly aware of the issues many individuals with special needs face. This course employs a social justice framework and provides students with information about the history, legislative underpinnings, mission, purpose, and services provided to individuals across the lifespan by human and rehabilitation service organizations. This course examines the major models and theories of helping that can be used to support/help individuals experiencing the myriad of developmental, environmental, economic, political, social, vocational, behavioral, physical, psychological and learning issues. Current issues and trends in human service provision are covered with specific attention to disability and other types of diversity. Ethics and ethical decision making in the human services is covered in this course. A service learning component may be integrated in this course to provide students with the opportunity to observe and volunteer in a human and/or rehabilitation service setting. This course fulfills the social science requirement in the Core Curriculum. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 121 HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND DISABILITY ACROSS THE LIFESPAN
The purpose of this course is to study disability within the context of human development. Lifespan development will be studied to provide a framework for exploring the implications of specific developmental, learning, communication, sensory and physical disabilities. The psychological processes involved in adjusting to disability will be presented along with various stage theories of adjustment to disability. Specific psychological, social, environmental, and political factors impacting individuals with disabilities will be studied. Students will gain an in-depth appreciation and understanding of what it means to have a disability. Cultural sensitivity and diversity issues related to disability will also be explored. The concepts of consumer involvement, consumer rights, and consumer choice related to individuals with disabilities and service systems will be studied. This course fulfills the social science requirement in the Core Curriculum. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 125 PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION TO PHYSICAL AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
This course will cover the history, principles, philosophies and ethics of occupational and physical therapy. The Physical and Occupational Therapists relationship to other health care providers will also be covered. This introductory course will provide a foundation for understanding the role of the physical and occupational therapist within a variety of professional treatment sites. Theories, models of practice, and the OT and PT processes will be covered. This course will also provide an overview of professional issues and current trends and will highlight the legal and ethical responsibilities related to health care service. (Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 200 ADDICTION: ETIOLOGY, ASSESSMENT, TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION
This course will provide an overview of addictions and addictive behavior. Topics such as the historical, psychological, social, societal, physiological, family and relationship aspects of addictions will be covered. The pharmacology, treatment, prevention, intervention, and rehabilitation related to substance abuse, alcohol dependence, eating disorders, gambling addictions, steroid use, etc. will also be explored. This course will introduce students to the different theories of addiction (e.g., biological, psycho-dynamic, social-learning, and socio-cultural) and the implications for successful intervention. Ethical issues related to addictions and addiction counseling will also be discussed. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 210 MEDICAL ASPECTS OF DISABILITY
The goal of this course is to assist students in developing sensitivity, appreciation and understanding of disability and health impairments. The course provides information about the medical aspects and characteristics of disabling conditions along with treatments and interventions aimed at ameliorating the resulting functional limitations. Students will study chronic diseases and disabling conditions that are commonly encountered in rehabilitation service settings. In addition to emphasizing the medical aspects and characteristics, treatment and intervention strategies will be covered. Basic medical terminology will be studied. This course will focus on disease, chronic illness and physical impairments. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 219 REHABILITATION STRATEGIES AND INTERVENTIONS
This course explores the full range of rehabilitation strategies and interventions that occur across the lifespan of individuals with disabilities. Educational and rehabilitation strategies aimed at maximizing independence for people with disabilities will be covered. Early intervention, inclusion and transition services will be examined as critical educational strategies aimed at minimizing the impact of disability and enhancing independence. The course will provide critical knowledge and skills related to employment and independent living options for people with disabilities including related legislation. Supportive strategies for assisting and maintaining individuals with disabilities in educational and employment settings will be addressed. Rehabilitation and assistive technology options will also be covered. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 225 INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN COMMUNICATION AND ITS DISORDERS
This course is an introduction to human communication across the lifespan with emphasis on the linguistic rule systems of pragmatics, semantics, syntax, morphology and phonology. An overview of normal and disordered speech, language, cognitive-linguistic, and hearing skills is provided. This overview includes etiologies, characteristics,
assistance, and treatment using case studies, video, DVD and audio-taped examples as well as hands-on materials. (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 228 INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LANGUAGE**
This course focuses on the use and study of American Sign Language (ASL), the language that is widely used by Americans with Deafness. This course will include basic ASL vocabulary, grammatical structures, and conversational basics. Students will also be introduced to the values, beliefs and behavioral norms shared by members of the deaf culture. (Fall)
Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 235 NORMAL SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT**
This course provides an in-depth coverage of normal speech and language development including theories of acquisition, development of the linguistic areas of content, form and function, cognitive-linguistic development, the development of literacy skills, and basic analysis techniques for measuring the speech and language development of a child. Learning is achieved through lecture, reading and video/audio taped examples. (Fall)
Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 241 PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION MODELS AND APPROACHES WITH YOUTH**
This course will provide students an overview of professional settings that employ counselors and youth workers to work with children and adolescents. Settings such as public, private, and alternative schools, early intervention programs, afterschool programs, and youth facilities will be covered. The role of professionals working in these settings will also be explored. The course will provide an overview of a variety of issues associated with early childhood and adolescence. Basic guidelines for working with children will be covered in addition to an overview of specific prevention and intervention models for counseling children and adolescents. The course will focus on the practical application of developmental theory within the context of a social justice and multicultural counseling framework. The course will also address effective intervention techniques to work with all youth within our socio-political contexts of schools and communities. Effective and collaborative family intervention models will also be covered. (Fall)

**HRS 305 CLIENT INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT**
This course is intended to provide the student anticipating a professional role in the human and rehabilitation services with an opportunity to develop awareness, understanding and skills related to the use of assessments and evaluation tools. Clients utilizing human and rehabilitation services are in need of professionals with skills in utilizing assessment results in order plan and provide appropriate interventions. This course will utilize a lifespan approach to provide an overview of common assessment and evaluation tools used in a variety of human service and applied settings such as schools, early intervention programs and rehabilitation agencies. (Fall)
Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 320 PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION**
As an introduction to psychiatric rehabilitation, this course emphasizes understanding of lifespan development with appreciation for the complex interaction of biological, social and psychological variables that influence human behavior. From this bio-psycho-social framework, the course will review major psychiatric and developmental disorders with attention to diagnostic and intervention strategies. This course will also address the co-occurrence of psychiatric disorders and substance use disorders in individuals. The challenging nature of treatment and rehabilitation for individuals with co-occurring disorders will be identified and covered. Educational and vocational factors will also be covered. Students will gain an understanding and appreciation of the personal experience of psychiatric disability and recovery, including an understanding of the core principles and motives of psychiatric rehabilitation. Prerequisites: HRS 119, HRS 121 (Fall/Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 321 SOCIAL SKILLS DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES FOR YOUTH**
Social Skills Training is a psycho-educational approach to scaffolding pro-social behaviors of youth and adolescents with behavioral challenges. Social Skill development as an approach supports youth to be successful in social interactions. Specifically, Social Skill development as an approach provides youth with strategies for building resilience and for dealing with teasing and bullying, starting conversations, asking for help, dealing with peer pressure, practicing effective problem solving, etc. The course will provide students with the theoretical, evidentiary and practical background to engage with youth in social skill development and interventions. Students will be introduced to assessment strategies to determine the social skills needs of youth and adolescents. The course will also introduce interventions for specific behavioral challenges of students with disabilities (ADHD, learning disabilities, autism spectrum disorders, for example). Students will also be introduced to other relevant evidence based interventions for working with youth. (Spring)

**HRS 325 CLINICALLY BASED PHONETICS OF AMERICAN ENGLISH**
This course is the study of sounds of the American English Language. Using the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA), students will learn to analyze and transcribe the physical properties of American English, including the production of sounds, acoustics and perception of speech. (Spring)
Staff/Three Credits
HRS 329  SIGN LANGUAGE II
This is a second level course that focuses on the use and study of American Sign Language (ASL). This course continues to increase ASL vocabulary and grammatical structures. Students will have the opportunity to interact with deaf and hearing impaired individuals and will increase ASL vocabulary and grammatical structures. Prerequisite: HRS 228 (Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 330  INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES IN HUMAN AND REHABILITATION SERVICES
This course is designed to provide students with a thorough understanding of the interview process. A strong emphasis will be placed on developing skills in interviewing and utilizing specific interviewing skills and techniques in human and rehabilitation service settings. Students will understand the impact of diversity, culture, and individual lifestyles on the helping process. The course will assist students to apply effective interpersonal skills in interviewing and communicating with persons with disabilities, their families, related professionals, and the general public. Client choice and consumer self-direction will be emphasized in interviewing and counseling situations. Students will be taught to incorporate cultural sensitivity into daily practice and interactions with clients. Ethical principles and decision making will be discussed and practiced. Prerequisites: HRS 119 (Fall)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 331  BASIC CONCEPTS AND PRINCIPLES IN APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS
The field of Behavior Analysis grew out of the scientific study of principles of learning and behavior and is now an evidence-based intervention for working with children and adults with a variety of developmental, cognitive and behavioral disabilities. Applied behavioral analysis is an applied science that develops methods of changing behavior and a profession that provides services to meet diverse behavioral needs. This course covers the basic foundations in behavioral principles by reviewing behavioral theories, concepts and terminology. Behavioral, learning and motivational theories will be studied to provide a strong foundation and framework for the practice of applied behavior analysis. Once students have acquired the essential foundational knowledge of behaviorism, motivation and learning they will use these principles to address the behavioral needs of a variety of individuals being served in diverse community settings. Students will complete exercises and practical application based projects so that they can develop the basic skills of applied behavior analysis in a safe environment prior to practicing these skills with actual children and adults in a supervised setting. The course employs a strengths-based model of intervention while covering specific behavioral interventions aimed at assisting both children and adults to increase and maintain positive and appropriate behaviors. Interventions that are geared toward reducing problematic behaviors and generalizing and promoting positive behaviors that enhance the development, abilities, and choices of children and adults with developmental and behavioral disabilities will be covered. (Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 335  ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY OF SPEECH AND HEARING MECHANISMS
This course is an in-depth study of the muscular, skeletal and nervous systems as they pertain to speech, hearing and swallowing. This course covers the normal anatomy and physiology of the speech and hearing mechanisms with emphasis on respiration, phonation, resonance, articulation, hearing, swallowing and audition. (Fall)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS 340  PRINCIPLES OF CASE MANAGEMENT
This course is designed to assist students in developing the necessary case management skills that are essential to the human and rehabilitation services fields. It will provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to facilitate client movement from initiation of services to case service termination. Students will be exposed to case management practices across human service agencies. Efficient case documenting, case recording and time management approaches will be developed along with case planning skills that recognize individual client needs. Community resource utilization, goal development, action planning, advocating, service coordination and utilization of assessment information will also be covered. This is a skill-based course that aims to teach organizational principles, practices and processes to students, thus enabling them to be effective in human and rehabilitation service delivery systems. Prerequisites: HRS 119 (Spring)
Staff/Three Credits

HRS/BIO 390  EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY AND HRS/BIO 390 LAB
This advanced course is designed to provide students with applied knowledge relative to human’s physiologic responses to acute and chronic exercise stress. Students basic knowledge of neuromuscular physiology, energy metabolism, cardiovascular and respiratory physiology will be honed to focus on human exercise response with the focus of the course being on applications to exercise training and programming, sport, nutrition, youth, aging and disease. Laboratory exercises will enable practical skills to be gained in measuring and testing for physiological markers of human readiness and response to exercise. Prerequisites: BIO 370 (Fall)
Staff/Four Credits

HRS 400  FIELD EXPERIENCE IN HUMAN SERVICES AND REHABILITATION STUDIES
This course is a supervised 100 hour field placement experience in an approved human or rehabilitation service agency. The field placement will provide students with an opportunity to become oriented to the human and rehabilitation services by observing and participating in the provision of services to client groups. As students
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develop they will have the opportunity to use their skills and knowledge to provide services within a highly supervised setting. This field placement enables students to work with staff representing a variety of human service fields. Students will also participate in a weekly seminar that provides group supervision, instruction and discussion of the field placement experience. (Fall/Spring)

Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 420  FAMILY ASPECTS OF DISABILITY**

This course uses a family systems approach to cover the life cycle of the family. Students will learn to develop and use a genogram to better understand the family system. The course also takes a specific focus on the complex challenges that families face when a family member has a chronic illness, severe disability or substance use disorder. The course will examine family risk factors and interventions employed to prevent and mitigate the effects associated with these factors. The course will focus on developing specialized skills and techniques for working with families in an attempt to foster family cohesion to confront challenges. This course attempts to provide students with a context and a philosophy for facilitating families as they move through time. Furthermore, the course aims to teach professionals to assist family members in becoming a positive resource and support for each other as they confront the many challenges associated with disability, chronic illness, or substance use disorders. The course covers a variety of family assessment and intervention models. The course includes an analysis of relevant and critical issues to consider when working with families during the treatment, intervention, and/or rehabilitation processes. Specific attention is given to the family life cycle and the effect of risk factors, such as disability, chronic illness or substance use disorders on the family. (Spring)

Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 421  LOSS AND BEREAVEMENT ACROSS THE LIFESPAN**

This course will address the topics of loss, grief, bereavement, aging, and the dying process from a humanistic perspective. The course will examine the role of spirituality, culture, gender, and developmental stage in responding to loss. This course will address the role that helping professionals and fellow human beings can play in facilitating and encouraging the natural, healthy, and healing expression of emotions related to loss. In this course, students will learn that grieving evokes strong emotions and strong emotions can be overwhelming if they are not spoken in the presence of someone who can accept and not judge. Therefore, students in this course will be taught how to be present with someone experiencing strong emotions related to loss and death, how to respond to feelings shared by others experiencing grief and loss, and how to encourage others to accept and cope with strong emotions related to loss and grief.

Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 485  SPECIAL TOPICS**

Special topics courses are elective courses designed to address special issues, skills and knowledge needed in the human and rehabilitation services. These courses are designed for junior and senior level students as independent research and inquiry are required.

Staff/Three Credits

**HRS 490  INTERNSHIP IN HUMAN SERVICES AND REHABILITATION STUDIES**

This course is a field-based, professional opportunity for students to apply the theories, strategies, interventions, and knowledge learned through the HRS coursework. Students will be applying their classroom learning in a professional human and/or rehabilitation service setting. The internship is an intensely supervised and supported experience as students are supervised by both a faculty and an agency supervisor. There are three phases to the internship experience: orientation, observation, and performance. Students will perform all aspects of the human and/or rehabilitation specialists job e.g., intake interviewing, assessment, action planning, service planning, case management and case closure. Students will complete a minimum of 400 hours on site during the fall or spring semester. The internship is a competency driven experience and specific skills related to the direct provision of services will be evaluated. Prerequisites: HRS 119, HRS 121, HRS 200, HRS 210, HRS 219, HRS 305, HRS 320, HRS 330, HRS 340 (Fall/Spring)

Staff/Twelve Credits
The following interdisciplinary programs and courses are offered:

**AMERICAN STUDIES SEMINAR, AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY**

Each fall, the American Antiquarian Society and five Worcester colleges sponsor a research seminar at the Antiquarian Society library. The seminar is conducted by a scholar familiar with the Society’s holdings in early American history, and the seminar topic is related to his or her field of research. Selection is highly competitive. The participating students are chosen by a screening committee made up of representatives of the five participating colleges: Assumption College, Clark University, the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and Worcester State College. The seminar topic and research methods combine several disciplines, and students from a wide variety of majors have participated successfully in this unique undergraduate opportunity. For further information, contact Prof. Carl Keyes, ckeyes@assumption.edu.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE LEARNING MINOR**

Community Service Learning (CSL) fuses community service and academic inquiry, simultaneously creating memorable educational experiences for the student and valuable service to the Worcester community. The minor in CSL simply deepens and broadens that educational experience, asking students to take CSL courses in multiple disciplines, and, through a senior capstone course, to apply what they have learned to a new project. The students thus explore connections between various disciplines, as well as the tensions between theory and practice, while gaining valuable off-campus experiences and serving the broader community.

**Requirements**

The Community Service Learning (CSL) minor requires a minimum of six (6) courses and volunteer service. The courses consist of five (5) elective courses which have been approved by the CSL director, and a capstone course.

**Electives**

CSL electives must be taken from at least three (3) disciplines, one of which must be theology or philosophy. Three of these courses must bear the CSL designation, in at least three disciplines. The CSL designation, like the Writing Emphasis designation, may appear with different courses in different semesters. However, courses often offered in CSL format include, among many others, ENG/SOC 225 Literature of Social Responsibility, ENG 202 Introduction to Journalism, HON 200 Life Stories, IDS 250 Individual Income Tax Assistance, HIS 115 The West and The World Part II, MGT 311 Diversity in the Workforce, and EDU 365.01 Teaching Students with Special Needs. Look for “CSL” beside the course name to determine if the course counts toward the minor.

CSL electives should focus on social issues. Examples include: ECO 210 Economics of Women and the Family, ENG 387 African American Literature, HIS 250 Colonial Latin American History, IDS 250 Individual Income Tax Assistance, POL 325 Urban Politics, and SOC 206 Sociology of Urban Life. At least one of the five CSL electives must be a Theology course.

**Capstone**

IDS 425: Seminar in Community Service Learning.

**Community Service**

Students must accumulate 125 hours of community service while at Assumption. Students would easily earn most of these hours while taking the CSL courses themselves, and earn the rest through either the Reach Out Center or Campus Ministry. For instance, a SEND trip would contribute a substantial number of hours.

For further information, contact Dr. Michael Land, director of CSL (mland@assumption.edu or 767-7004), or Susan Hayes, coordinator of CSL placements (shayes@assumption.edu or 767-7652).

**Course descriptions**

**IDS 425 SEMINAR IN SERVICE LEARNING**

This interdisciplinary community service learning course is the capstone course for CSL minors. The course combines interdisciplinary readings, critical thinking and analysis, and community service. Students are encouraged to explore the connections between text and experience, between ideas and lived events. Students are engaged in 45 hours of community service throughout the semester. They pursue a research project of their choice. The culmination of the seminar is a research paper and a formal presentation.

Land/Three credits

**ENG 225/SOC 225 LITERATURE OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSL)**

This team-taught course offers students a combination of academic classroom learning and experiential learning in the community. Students will read literature alongside sociological monographs and cultural analyses, using these ideas to think critically about political, economic, and social issues in the community.

Land, Perschbacher/Three credits
IDS 250  INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (CSL)
This course will combine the study of low-income taxpayers with community service learning. Students will examine sociological issues, such as social class, in addition to researching individual tax credits targeted at low-income taxpayers. They will also become proficient with tax software. Students will apply their learning through the electronic preparation of tax returns for low-income Worcester residents. (Spring)
Niece, Staff/Three credits

FORTIN AND GONTHIER FOUNDATIONS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION PROGRAM
For thirty years, Assumption College has offered an interdisciplinary program which provides an integrated introduction to a liberal education. The Program, now newly endowed, has been expanded and renamed in honor of Fr. Ernest Fortin, A.A. ’46 and Fr. Denis Gonthier, A.A. ’44. The Fortin and Gonthier Foundations of Western Civilization Program.

The Program’s goal is to help students reflect upon the heritage of Western Civilization, principally through a study of primary sources. It is intended for students of all majors as an excellent beginning to whatever course of study they pursue at the College, and can be pursued as a Minor or for an Honors Certificate. Moreover, the Program satisfies more than half of the College’s general education requirements.

International travel, public lectures including those by an annual visiting scholar, and special Foundations events beyond the classroom—such as trips to New York City’s Metropolitan Museum of Art and plays at Worcester’s Foothills Theatre—also help to foster the development of an intellectual community among the students and faculty involved in the program. A summer program for high school students is under development.

Foundations courses cover more than 2,000 years in a variety of disciplines, allowing students to reinforce and integrate this vast body of knowledge. Completion of the Minor or Honors Certificate will give any student a clear grasp of this timeframe and the opportunity to do so by paying close attention to themes in Art, History, Literature, Philosophy, Politics, and Theology. The Foundations Program aims at intellectual coherence throughout its curriculum.

Through the “Literary Foundations of the West” and the “Foundations of the West: Religion and Philosophy” sequences, the second year of the Program studies the various and conflicting accounts of human excellence. The tensions among politics, philosophy, and revealed religion are central to the first semester, those among modern politics, Christianity, modern science, and modern philosophy are the concern of the second. These tensions give Western Civilization its vitality. The great works of Western Literature which are read at the same time support and give life to these theoretical accounts.

By joining with the faculty in this integrated study of Western Civilization, students acquire excellent habits of inquiry, analysis, and writing. The Program gives students the opportunity to be thoughtful about the issues and complexities that all people must address. It increases their self-understanding and makes the excellence they study their own.

Students who find Foundations courses rewarding and wish to pursue them in an extended way have two options, the Minor in Foundations of Western Civilization and the Honors Certificate in Foundations of Western Civilization. The purpose of these further options is to enable students to expand and to integrate their knowledge of these primary works, bringing them to bear on their own lives.

Requirements (6 courses total) for Minor in Foundations of Western Civilization
• ARH/POL 150 Foundations: Art and Politics I
• ARH/POL 151 Foundations: Art and Politics II
Four other semesters of Foundations courses from the following:
• CLT 205 or 206 Literary Foundations of the West I and II
• PHI/THE 205-206 Religion and Philosophy I and II
• HIS 116-117 History of Western Civilization I and II
• FND 300 Special Topics in Foundations

Requirements (7 courses total) for Honors Certificate in Foundations of Western Civilization:
• ARH/POL 150 Foundations: Art and Politics I
• ARH/POL 151 Foundations: Art and Politics II
• FND 300 Special Topics in the Foundations of Western Civilization
Four other semesters of Foundations courses from the following:
• CLT 205 or 206 Literary Foundations of the West I and II
• PHI/THE 205-206 Foundations: Religion and Philosophy I and II
• HIS 116-117 Foundations: History of Western Civilization I and II


**Course Descriptions**

**ARH 150-151H**  FOUNDATIONS: ART AND POLITICS I & II

This is a two-semester interdisciplinary course in politics and art. The two semesters concentrate on the study of the worlds of politics and art in ten successive periods of Western Civilization. The first semester studies Ancient Greece through the Renaissance. The second semester studies Modern Europe through 20th-Century Europe and the United States. Both semesters emphasize the reading and interpretation of texts about the major political and artistic principles in each historical period, as well as the viewing and analysis of slides of the major artistic works. Students earn three credits in Political Science and three credits in Art. (Fall, Spring) Geddert, Gearhart, Vaughan/Three credits each semester

**HIS 116H-117H**  FOUNDATIONS: HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION I & II

This two-semester course explores human ideas and experiences that have shaped the Western World from ancient times through to our contemporary world. The first semester covers the ages of classical Greece and Rome, the rise of Christianity, the emergence of medieval culture and thought, the slow evolution of national identities, and myriad political, religious, and social conflicts of the pre-modern era. The second semester studies the rise of the modern state, the rise of scientific inquiry and modern science, the course and implications of industrialization, and the role of ideology as an agent of politics, revolution, and war. Both semesters of the course emphasize written analysis of primary and secondary sources. They fulfill the Core requirement in History and Humanities. History 116FH is not a prerequisite for 117FH. Lazar, Wheatland/Three credits each semester

**CLT 205-206H**  LITERARY FOUNDATIONS OF THE WEST I & II

Over two semesters this course considers some of the great themes of the West as they are played out in literature. The Fall semester’s work concentrates on questions raised by the texts about the role of heroes and their relationship with their communities, about honor, authority, obedience, rebellion, and the place of the gods or God in the lives of human beings. The Spring’s work continues the investigation of the above questions, particularly in the light of the modern insistence on the pre-eminence of the individual person rather than on the community. (Fall, Spring) Ady, Staff/Three credits each semester

**PHI 205-206H**  THE 205-206H FOUNDATIONS: RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY I & II

A two-semester introduction to the religious and philosophical foundations of the West. The purpose of the course is to help students discover the principles at the heart of Western civilization and thereby develop a critical approach to their own thoughts and actions through a study of the major thinkers who have formed our culture. (This course is taught as a two-semester sequence in PHI and THE. Students may take either or both semester(s) and receive three credits for each semester.) Corrigan, LePain, Ranasinghe/Three credits each semester

**FND 300**  SPECIAL TOPICS IN THE FOUNDATIONS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION

This course, which is usually interdisciplinary, studies an issue, movement, event, or work that is of critical importance to Western Civilization. It is offered in response to student and faculty interest. May be used to satisfy a requirement for the minor in Foundations of the West. Once a year a trip to Europe is connected to this class and integrated into the syllabus. Staff/Three credits

For further information contact Dr. Geoffrey Vaughan, Director of the Fortin and Gonthier Foundations of Western Civilization Program, at gvaughan@assumption.edu.

**HONORS PROGRAM**


The Assumption College Honors Program reflects the mission of the college by providing a curriculum that offers a high quality liberal education, in-depth disciplinary and professional training; opportunities to learn from and contribute to the local, national, and global community, and a basis for a meaningful personal, professional, spiritual, family, and civic life. It presents opportunities for students to explore connections not only among their courses, but also between their courses and life outside the classroom. The program promotes intellectual friendship and discourse while providing a common, intensive learning experience.

Students in the Assumption College Honors Program are passionate about ideas and learning, eager to grow
by taking on challenges, and committed to making a difference in their communities. For that reason, Honors students select courses and projects that reflect their individual interests, connect their classroom studies with experience in the community, collaborate on research with faculty members, and design independent projects. Students selected for the Honors Program become members of a lively community that offers academic and co-curricular activities, the chance to build life-long relationships, and the opportunity to develop as leaders.

**Honors Program Goals**
In the Honors Program students will:
- Cultivate independent thinking and learning
- Learn to interpret and evaluate information from a variety of perspectives
- Engage actively with methodologies of various academic disciplines
- Develop and refine the qualities and responsibilities of leadership and service
- Carry out in-depth independent study in the major discipline

**Required Courses (7 courses total)**

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Students may substitute any two of the following Honors electives for ARH/POL 151H and HIS 117FH:
- MAT 131H
- MAT 132H
- ENG/SOC 225H
- PHY 201H
- PHY 202H
- Any 200-300 Level Course in the Foundations Program

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**Honors Program Certificate Requirements**
To earn an “Honors Program Certificate” a student must complete the seven courses described above as part of the Honors Program. Students are required to maintain a minimum GPA in those courses of 3.25 and a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25. In addition, students are required to defend their honors thesis to a committee of at least three faculty members in the major field of the thesis.

First-year students receiving a 3.5 GPA in the fall semester are invited to apply to the Honors Program and may join the program during their sophomore year.

**Program Benefits**

**Co-curricular Opportunities**
To complement the academic experience offered in the Honors Program, Assumption College sponsors such co-curricular activities as trips to historic sites and cultural events, concerts, lectures, attendance at academic conferences, dinner discussions, and study abroad.

**Honors Fellowships**
Honors Students are encouraged to apply for Summer Fellowships provided by the Honors Program. These funds may be used for summer and independent research and to attend scholarly conferences.

**Honors Housing**
Honors housing is available for first-year students in Hanrahan Hall. This alternate housing option provides students with a living and learning community that fully supports and understands the attainment of academic excellence. The mission of the Honors housing is to provide students with a seamless educational environment in a smaller dorm setting. Programming in the Hanrahan lounge will create many opportunities for less formal interactions between students, faculty, and the administration. Honors housing is highly recommended for members of the College Honors Program, but is not required. Honors housing is also open to a limited number of students outside the Honors Program who are interested in being part of a friendly, relaxed, supportive, and intellectually stimulating living learning community.

**Honors Suite**
An Honors Suite is available in Kennedy 107 and 108 for members of the Honors community. This space is available for study, consultation, and conversation by all Honors Students. Receptions between faculty, students, and campus speakers and performers will be scheduled in the Honors Suite periodically throughout the semester. The space contains a reading room and lounge, computer facilities, meeting space, and advisory offices.

**Recognition**
Honors Capstone Projects are bound and archived in the d’Alzon Library. Recipients of Summer Fellowships are recognized campus-wide. Graduates of the Honors Program receive a certificate at commencement, are marked as such in the Commencement Program, and have Honors denoted on their official transcript.
COURSE descriptions

ARH 150-151H  FOUNDATIONS: ART AND POLITICS I & II
This is a two-semester interdisciplinary course in politics and art. The two semesters concentrate on the study of the worlds of politics and art in ten successive periods of Western Civilization. The first semester studies Ancient Greece through the Renaissance. The second semester studies Modern Europe through 20th-Century Europe and the United States. Both semesters emphasize the reading and interpretation of texts about the major political and artistic principles in each historical period, as well as the viewing and analysis of slides of the major artistic accomplishments. Students earn three credits in Political Science and three credits in Art. (Fall, Spring)
Gearhart/Cedert
Norris/Vaughn/Three credits each semester

HIS 116H-HIS 117H  FOUNDATIONS: HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION I & II
This two-semester course explores human ideas and experiences that have shaped the Western World from ancient times through to our contemporary world. The first semester covers the ages of classical Greece and Rome, the rise of Christianity, the emergence of medieval culture and thought, the slow evolution of national identities, and myriad political, religious, and social conflicts of the pre-modern eras. The second semester studies the rise of the modern state, the rise of scientific inquiry and modern science, the course and implications of industrialization, and the role of ideology as an agent of politics, revolution and, war. Both semesters of the course emphasize written analysis of primary and secondary sources. They fulfill the Core requirement in History and Humanities.
Black/Wheatland/Three credits each semester

HON 200  LIFE STORIES (CSL)
This course explores the interconnectedness of human experience across time and place. It uses personal narratives and biographies to study the relationship between reflection and action. Coursework focuses on the challenges individuals face, the choices they make, and how those choices shape and define their lives. Studying life stories prompts contemplation of how we make choices, the connections between what we believe and what we do, and how we can build meaningful lives. This course introduces students to Honors-level reading, writing, and discussion. The course includes a community service learning component. Prerequisite: Membership in Honors Program. Counts in the Core as Humanities. (Fall and Spring)
Stutz/Three credits

HON 300  HONORS SEMINAR
The Honors Seminar will help students identify a faculty mentor and develop a project topic for their Honors Capstone thesis. Each student will prepare a brief abstract, a substantial description of the project, an annotated bibliography of relevant sources, and a timeline for completion of the project. Students will defend their complete project proposals to an audience of their peers and faculty mentors during the final weeks of the semester. Prerequisites: ART/POL 150 and HON 100 and Membership in Honors Program. (Fall and Spring)
Ramsey/Beyers/Leone/Three credits

HON 444  HONORS CAPSTONE
In the Honors Capstone, each student will produce an independent research thesis or creative project under the supervision of a faculty mentor. (The project was proposed and approved during the Honors Seminar.) Students will meet on a weekly basis with their faculty mentor for advice and guidance, but primarily will work independently on the project throughout the semester. A summary and defense of the capstone work will be organized by the faculty mentor and completed by the end of the spring semester. Prerequisites: HON 300 and Membership in Honors Program. (Fall and Spring)
Staff/Three credits

For further information contact: Prof. Rachel Ramsey, 508 767-7337, or by email at rramsey@assumption.edu

LAW, ETHICS, AND CONSTITUTIONAL STUDIES MINOR (LEX)
The minor in Law, Ethics, and Constitutional Studies (LEX) helps students appreciate the nation's constitutional order and its roots in the Western political and philosophical traditions. Jointly sponsored by the Political Science and Philosophy Departments, LEX engages constitutionalism, ethics, and the law through thinkers ranging from Aristotle, St. Thomas Aquinas, and Immanuel Kant to James Madison and John Marshall. In coursework based upon The American Founding, Constitutional Law, Logic, and the Philosophy of Law, students become familiar with political and philosophical texts like the Federalist Papers and The Treatise on Law, as well as landmark legal documents like the Mayflower Compact, the Constitution of the United States, and Marbury v. Madison. Students will approach these not merely as technical works but as political and philosophical texts that reflect ethical judgments, texts that must continue to be interpreted through the deliberate reflection of a political community.

The reasoning, rhetorical, and writing capacities students develop in the Law, Ethics, and Constitutional Studies minor are ideally suited to graduate school, law school, and employment in a variety of fields, such as government, teaching, journalism, law, and business.
Not a pre-professional program, LEX helps students, whatever their future careers, to develop into citizens ready to take their place in the philosophical and constitutional tradition of America and the West. Drawing on the unique strengths of Assumption College as a Catholic liberal arts institution, the LEX Minor in Law, Ethics, and Constitutional Studies is designed for those who want to acquire the liberal arts skills essential to professional and personal excellence, as well as to all those who aspire to thoughtful citizenship.

The Law, Ethics, and Constitutional Studies Minor consists of seven courses: four specified courses, two courses selected from Electives List A, and one course selected from Electives List B.

**Required Courses: (4)**

- PHI 199 Logic
- PHI 314 Philosophy of Law
- POL 312 The American Founding
- POL 316 Constitutional Law

**Electives List A: (2)**

- PHI 318 Individual and Community
- PHI 321 Biomedical Ethics
- PHI 322 Advanced Topics in Ethics
- POL 311 American Political Thought
- POL 315 The Judiciary
- POL 318 Problems in Civil Liberties
- POL 345 Political Mass Murder
- POL 373 International Law
- POL 376 Terrorism in the Modern World
- POL 377 Politics of Just Wars

**Electives List B: (1)**

- BUS 215 Business Law I
- ECO 230 Law and Economics
- ENG 201 Argument and Persuasion
- ENG 211 Speech
- HIS 202 Ancient Rome, 509 B.C. - A.D. 565
- HIS 259 Revolutionary America
- HIS 267 United States Foreign Relations Since 1776
- LAT 101-202 Latin I-IV
- PHI 202 Ethics
- POL 110 Political Issues: The Quest for Justice
- POL 201 American Government
- SOC 242 Criminology
- THE 343 Social Teachings of the Church

Other courses in political science and philosophy may count as electives in the minor, depending upon approval of the Law, Ethics, and Constitutional Studies Director.

For further information, contact the LEX Director Prof. Greg Weiner at 508-767-7564 or by e-mail at gs.weiner@assumption.edu.

**MEDIEVAL AND EARLY MODERN STUDIES MINOR**

The Minor in Medieval and Early Modern Studies (MEMS) offers students the opportunity to explore the richness and diversity of Medieval and Early Modern culture within a coherent inter-disciplinary structure. Because pre-modern societies have so much to teach the modern world, students can combine history, literature, languages, the arts, philosophy, politics, and religion along with a range of interpretive strategies and methodologies. Students expand on their area of specialization within their primary discipline (their major) by incorporating perspectives from other disciplines that deepen and broaden their understanding of Medieval and Early Modern civilizations. Given that the mission of Assumption College is “grounded in the liberal arts,” and “enlivened by the Catholic affirmation of the harmony of faith and reason,” it is fitting to study in an integrated fashion the periods that first defined the liberal arts and first affirmed the harmony of faith and reason. Indeed, these eras also gave us the concept of the “Uomo Universale,” the “Renaissance Man or Woman,” who combines expertise in many fields of human expression.

Beyond the intrinsic value and enrichment that undergraduates can gain from such course material, students will gain in instrumental ways from the MEMS minor at Assumption College. The MEMS minor is especially recommended to complement participation in the Rome Program, or a study abroad program in Europe or Latin America. Furthermore, students graduating with a Medieval and Early Modern Studies Minor will also find their applications for professional degrees to be more competitive in many fields of study. Students considering pursuing Medieval or Early Modern Studies as a specialty in graduate school are strongly encouraged to obtain proficiency in one or more foreign languages, especially Latin, and may wish to take part in regional and national conferences relating to Medieval and Early Modern Studies, such as the annual national undergraduate conference in Medieval and Early Modern Studies in Moravian College in Bethlehem, PA each December.

Students earning a MEMS minor may also be particularly well-suited candidates for internships and similar opportunities that become available on a regular basis at local institutions like the American Antiquarian Society and the Worcester Art Museum. MEMS affiliation can also increase students’ competitiveness for selection for archaeological digs and other international study opportunities (for instance, an on-going investigation of a medieval castle outside Louvain, Belgium).
Further, students will benefit from their MEMS minor as an added distinction for their applications to graduate school, whether or not they pursue a graduate specialization in MEMS. Specializations related to MEMS are found in the finest graduate programs in all the related disciplines (including Art, Music, English, History, Languages, Latin American Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Theology/Religious Studies, etc.).

### Requirements (6 courses total)

Students must complete a total of six courses, including an upper-level history course, from the following list:

**Gateway Courses** (at least one of the following):

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The remaining five courses must come from at least two separate disciplines chosen from the following list, although no more than three courses from any one discipline can count in the MEMS minor. Versions of the following courses on the Rome Campus (usually designated with an 'R' following the course number), also count for MEMS.

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Students are encouraged, but not required, to mix their primary (major) discipline with their MEMS minor, although not more than three courses can be double-counted or combined with any other major or minor. Because no more than three courses can come from any one discipline, therefore, a minimum of two disciplines is also required. Students are also able to include up to two courses from another institution as a transfer student or during a Study Abroad program, subject to the approval of the chair of the relevant department at Assumption. Similarly, each respective department chair determines which special topics or other courses outside the above listing have a predominant focus on Medieval and Early Modern issues, thereby meriting inclusion in the minor.

While there are no specific pre-requisites for the MEMS minor, students should be aware that many upper-level courses in many disciplines may require a 100-level introductory course or courses prior to enrollment in the upper-level course. Generally, only upper-level courses focusing on the Medieval or Early Modern periods within each discipline qualify for the MEMS minor.

For further information, contact Dr. Lance Lazar, Director of the Medieval and Early Modern Studies Minor, 508-767-7054, email: llazar@assumption.edu.

**PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES MINOR**

The field of peace and conflict resolution studies has been in existence for almost forty years. During the past fifteen years, however, and especially in the years since September 11, interest in the discipline of peace studies has grown substantially across the country. Assumption's commitment to peace studies is rooted in its mission as a Catholic college, which, in the words of the mission statement, "strives to form graduates known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship, and compassionate service." Peace studies at Assumption College dates back almost two decades, spearheaded by the work of *emeritus* professor Michael True, an internationally acknowledged scholar in this field. Building upon this early tradition, the Minor in Peace and Conflict Studies (PCS) at Assumption draws upon multiple disciplines to investigate the factors that inhibit and promote peace in a variety of areas: the family, the community, the nation, between nations. It includes study of armed conflict between states, of struggles to achieve human rights and justice, of economic factors that enhance peace, of environmental initiatives that enhance not only peace on earth but peace with the earth. Students who minor in PCS will test models of peacebuilding, negotiation, diplomacy, conflict resolution, transformation, and reconciliation. In summary, the Minor in Peace and Conflict Studies explores the causes, justifications, practices, and consequences of conflicts as a context for considering strategies for peaceful, non-violent courses of action.

**Requirements**

The Minor requires a minimum of six (6) courses: This includes the introductory course (PCS/ENG/HIS/HRS/THE/PHI 265) Introduction to Peace Studies; four electives drawn from a list of specified courses from the departments of Economics, English, Environmental Studies, Geography, Global Studies, History, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies, Philosophy, Politics, Sociology and Theology. Students must choose from at least three departments in selecting these electives. Finally, the capstone requirement, may be fulfilled in a
variety of ways: either a special topics course in peace and conflict studies, a directed individual study, or a peace and conflict studies internship.

**Introductory Course**
PCS/ENG/HIS/HRS/THE/PHI265: Introduction to Peace Studies, normally taught twice a year, is an interdisciplinary course on the causes of war and social violence and the conditions of peace, including nonviolent direct action and conflict resolution/transformation. It examines classic texts on peace, including Catholic social teachings and case studies of particular conflicts as well as the historical context of war.

**Electives**
Students may choose four courses from the following list, so long as three separate departments are selected.
- ANT 225 Women and Men in a Cross-Cultural Perspective
- ANT/SOC 236 Social Justice in a Global Community
- ECO/GEO 120 Introduction to Global Studies
- ECO 235 Environmental Economics
- ENG/HIS/ SOC/PSY 285 Women's Studies: Images
- ENG/SOC 225 Literature of Social Responsibility
- ENG 279 Peace Building in Literature
- ENG 379 Post-Colonial Literature
- ENG 387 Survey of African American Literature
- ENV 120 Environmental History of New England
- GEO 108 World Population Issues
- HIS 210 Diplomatic History of Europe in the 20th Century
- HIS 243 Totalitarianism and Everyday Life
- HIS 267 U.S. Foreign Relations Since 1776
- HIS 268 The Cold War
- HIS 396 War and American Society
- PHI 202 Ethics
- PHI 318 The Individual and the Community
- PHI 320 Business Ethics
- POL 203 Modern States
- POL 207 Peace and War
- POL 377 The Politics of Just Wars
- POL 345 Political Mass Murder
- POL 354 Classic Utopias
- POL 375 The Study of International Relations
- PSY 210 Social Psychology
- PSY 220 Interpersonal Communication
- SOC 122 Social Problems
- SOC 206 The Sociology of Urban Life
- SOC 216 Racial and Ethnic Relations
- SOC 232 Social Inequality in Society

**Capstone Requirement**
This may be filled in a variety of ways: a special topics course in peace and conflict studies, a peace and conflict studies internship, or a directed individual study.

- PCS 400: Special Topics in Peace and Conflict Studies
  OR
- PCS 401: Peace and Conflict Studies Internship
  Samples of possible internship sites: Rwanda Reconciliation Center, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, Greenpeace, United for a Fair Economy, Pax Christi U.S.A., Pax Christi International, Agape Community, a local prison, a rape crisis center. Faculty sponsors will work with the organization and the student to determine the appropriateness of the site and the work involved.
  OR
- PCS 402: Directed Individual Study
  On an appropriate topic, leading to a substantial research paper.

For further information, contact Dr. Paul Ady, Director of Peace and Conflict Studies Minor, 508-767-7593; email: pady@assumption.edu.

**WOMEN’S STUDIES MINOR**
Until recently, scholars in most academic disciplines considered the experiences of women to be peripheral. During the late 1960s, however, many researchers turned their attention to the study of women, attempting to correct what they viewed as distortions in scholarship. They discovered that the study of women opens new perspectives from which to view social reality.

At Assumption College, the Women’s Studies program began with a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. This grant brought together professors from four disciplines to design an introductory interdisciplinary course entitled CLT/HIS/PSY/SOC/WMS 285: Women’s Studies I: Images. In 1993, a minor in Women’s Studies was approved. The minor program requires students to take the introductory course along with five other courses, three of which must be taken beyond the student’s major requirements as specified in Assumption’s policy on the “double counting’
of courses. A new course, CLT/HIS/PSY/SOC/WMS 385, Women of the World, was recently added by Women’s Studies to expand the scope of our program by including the experiences and challenges of women worldwide. Students may also pursue internships focused on women’s issues in a variety of placements including within educational or social service agencies. This minor is important for all students, but especially for those who intend to work in areas of policy making, urban planning, business, social service and counseling, or the law. Students interested in Women’s Studies have the option of constructing a special major within the discipline with the approval of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies.

In addition to the introductory Images course, students select from an array of courses approved as Women’s Studies electives. These courses change from semester to semester, but often include many of the following:

- ANT 131 Cultural Anthropology
- CLT 210 Classical Mythology
- EDU 201 Schools and Society
- ENG 219 Introduction to Media Analysis
- ENG 263 Children’s Literature
- ENG/PHI 265 Introduction to Peace Studies
- ENG 281 Women in Literature
- ENG 387 Survey of Afro-American Literature
- GEO/SOC 108 World Population Issues
- HIS 213 Women and the American Experience
- HIS 259 Revolutionary America
- HRS 420 Family Aspects of Disability
- HRS 421 Loss and Bereavement
- MGT 301 Environments of Business
- MGT 311 Diversity in the Work Force
- PSY 217 Psychology of Women
- PSY 220 Interpersonal Communication
- PSY 310 Stereotypes and Prejudice
- SOC 122 Social Problems
- SOC 223 Family in Society
- SOC 295 Masculinities
- SPA 316 Emerging Modernities
- SPA 370 Women Writers in Contemporary Spain
- WMS 385 Women of the World

Field-based courses in Psychology, Sociology, and Human Services and other disciplines count for the Women’s Studies minor if the field placement focuses on women and/or girls. An Independent Study with a focus on women and/or issues of significance to women may also count for the minor, as do courses with a focus on women offered in Continuing and Career Education, through the Worcester Consortium, or in Study Abroad.

For further information, contact the Women’s Studies Director Prof. Dona Kercher 508-767-7305, or by e-mail at dkercher@assumption.edu.

### COURSE descriptions


This team-taught course is an introduction to the study of women. The course develops a coherent, integrated view of women and their roles, emphasizes the full range of contributions of and the limited opportunities for women, examines and appraises the experiences of women, and critically examines the thinking about women at various times and from various perspectives. The basic approach is interdisciplinary and the concentration of the course is on women in the United States from the 19th century to the present. This course, if taken with either the prefix PSY or SOC, satisfies one Social Science Core requirement. In addition, the course can serve as an elective in the major or minor programs in Psychology, Sociology, or History. In Modern and Classical Languages, CLT 285 may count for the one course that French or Spanish majors may take from the Modern and Classical Languages offerings in English. This course, if taken with the CLT or ENG prefix, satisfies the second literature Core requirement.

Choquette, Farough, Gazin-Schwartz, Kercher, Keyes, Leone, Meyer, Loustaunau, Parmley/Three credits

**CLT/HIS/PSY/SOC/WMS 385 WOMEN OF THE WORLD**

This team-taught course helps students learn about the character and quality of women’s lives across cultures in the contemporary period and to study the consequences of globalization by examining it through the prism of gender. In the class accounts of women’s lives in regions outside the United States are presented along with readings that provide the historical, social, political, and economic background needed to fully understand these lives. In this course we encounter the powerful and the powerless, the rich and the poor, the courageous and the meek, and in learning their stories we also learn something about the world they inhabit and that we inhabit along with them. In experiencing this world of women, we learn about the human struggles that unite and divide people across cultures in the modern world. This course qualifies as an elective in the major and minor programs in Anthropology, History, Psychology, or Sociology. It also can be chosen to fulfill the Cultural Perspectives requirement in the Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies major. This course, if taken with the CLT prefix, satisfies the humanities Core requirement as a second literature.

Gazin-Schwartz, Kercher, Kisatsky, Perschbacher, Rao/Three credits
INTERDISCIPLINARY MAJOR IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

Faculty: Mark Christensen (History), Peter Clemente (Music), Steve Farough (Sociology), Amy Gazin-Schwartz (Anthropology), Juan Carlos Grijalva (Spanish), Arlene Guerrero-Watanabe (Spanish), Kevin L. Hickey (Geography), Dona M. Kercher (Spanish), Cary LeBlanc (Business Studies), Maryanne Leone (Spanish), Christopher Dylan McGee (Economics), Catherine Pastille (Business Studies), Program Director: Esteban Loustaunau (Spanish).

MISSION STATEMENT

The major in Latin American Studies is designed to respond to the increasing interest in the societies of the region and to the need to understand the complexity of their history, political and economic systems, social structures, and literary and artistic expression. The history of the Latin American nations and the development of their distinctive identities, the struggle for independence, and the establishment of modern democracies offer a challenging range of areas to explore. The presence of Latin America within the United States in the Latino communities gives another dimension to the study.

Through a program that focuses on this significant region of the world, students will have the opportunity to increase familiarity with the dynamics of other societies while strengthening their awareness of cultural diversity. The program provides a comprehensive course of study. Since no single discipline affords full study of any area, the interdisciplinary approach will give coherence to the major, fostering scholarship. The goal is to provide students with methodologies and modes of inquiry derived from different academic disciplines. This major draws upon courses from the departments of Modern and Classical Languages and Cultures, History, Economics and Global Studies, Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology, and Art and Music.

The major in Latin American Studies prepares students for graduate work or employment in fields such as government, business, industry, media, law, and community services. The major is also excellent preparation for a teaching career. Students interested in pursuing this major must discuss their intention early in their sophomore year in order to plan their program and have access to a wider range of course offerings, since most of the courses are offered within departmental cycles. Students may also select courses from the listing of the Worcester Consortium, with previous approval by the director of the program.

The study of Spanish is vital to any training in Latin American studies. Language courses, therefore, are an integral part of the major. Students are strongly encouraged to pursue language study beyond the required level V. The major includes foundation courses in History and Literature. These survey courses afford full study of any area, the interdisciplinary approach will give coherence to the major, fostering scholarship. The goal is to provide students with methodologies and modes of inquiry derived from different academic disciplines. This major draws upon courses from the departments of Modern and Classical Languages and Cultures, History, Economics and Global Studies, Political Science, Sociology and Anthropology, and Art and Music.

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Required Courses (10)

The Major in Latin American Studies consists of 10 courses which include a minimum of three 300–400 level courses and a maximum of three in any single discipline selected from C and D. They are divided into five areas:

1. LAS 200 Introduction to Latin American Studies
2. Language: One course at level SPA 120 Spanish V, Conversational Spanish and Grammar Review (or SPA 110 Spanish IV/V), or above.
3. Two courses, one course in each discipline, from the following:
   - HIS 250 Colonial Latin American History
   - HIS 251 Modern Latin American History
   - SPA 253 Main Currents of Spanish-American Literature I
   - SPA 254 Main Currents of Spanish-American Literature II
4. Five courses selected from:
   - CLT 256 Latino Voices
   - GEO 222 Regional Geography of South America
   - HIS 250 Colonial Latin American History
   - HIS 251 Modern Latin American History
   - HIS 389 Special Topics in History (when topic is on Latin America)
   - HIS 392 History Colloquium (when topic is on Latin America)
   - HIS 393 Seminar (when topic is on Latin America)
   - LAS 390 Internship
   - LAS 395 Special Topics
   - LAS 399 Independent Study
   - MGT 301 Environments of Business
   - MGT 311 Diversity in the Workplace
   - MUS 125 World Music
   - MUS 236 Latin American Music
   - SOC 216 Racial and Ethnic Relations
   - SPA 125 Business Spanish I
   - SPA 126 Business Spanish II
   - SPA 140 Introduction to Literature-Spanish
   - SPA 220 Spanish Composition
SPA 253  Main Currents of Spanish-American Literature I
SPA 254  Main Currents of Spanish-American Literature II
SPA 256  Colonial Encounters in Spanish-America
SPA 312  Spanish-America Culture and Civilization I
SPA 313  Spanish-America Culture and Civilization II
SPA 318  Rebellion and Reinvention in Mexico
SPA 380  Latin American Chronicles
SPA 381  Contemporary Spanish-American Drama
SPA 384  Magical Realism and the Literature of the Fantastic
SPA 385  Spanish-American Short Fiction
SPA 386  Latin American Cinema
SPA 387  Modernismo
SPA 396  Spanish American/Latina Women Writers
SPA 400  Special Topics (when topic is on Latin America)
SOC 236  Social Justice in a Global Community

Students may choose an elective from the following courses if the course has a substantive component on Latin America, and with the approval of the director:

- ANT 131  Cultural Anthropology
- ANT 225  Women and Men in Cross-Cultural Perspective
- ECO 252  Economic Development
- ECO 353  International Trade
- ECO 354  International Finance
- GEO 251  Economic Geography
- LIN 221  Sociolinguistics
- SOC 216  Racial and Ethnic Relations
- SOC 236  Social Justice in a Global Community

The minor must be planned in consultation with the director of the program.

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW: The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 308 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ANT 131 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY
Introduction to the basic concepts and findings of contemporary socio-cultural anthropology. An understanding of diverse human lifestyles around the world will be approached by examining and comparing the culture and social organization of several societies. Content will vary from year to year. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements.
Staff/Three credits

ANT 225 WOMEN AND MEN IN CROSS-CULTURAL PERSPECTIVE
An analysis of the development, perpetuation, and impact of the cultural definition of disparate social roles of women and men. The course takes the comparative view of the gender roles in different types of 20th-century societies: hunter-gatherers, horticulturalists, pastoralists, agriculturalist, and industrialists. Emphasis is placed on societies of developing countries. Topics included are varying definitions of gender roles, varieties of family structure, the interrelationship of sex, race, and class, the impact of colonialism, and sociobiology.
Staff/Three credits

ANT 235 ETHNOGRAPHY OF LATIN AMERICA
This course provides an overview of some of the varieties of indigenous and mestizo cultures of Latin America through comparative analysis of several anthropological case studies. Topics covered will be differences and similarities among various subcultural groups in social, economic, political and religious institutions, and interaction among the groups. Attention will be paid to the differential impact of development.
Staff/Three credits

CLT 256 LATINO VOICES
The course explores the themes of cultural and national identity in major novels, collections of short stories, television programs, film, and non-fiction created by Latino writers of the United States. The class will attempt to answer the following questions: What are the characteristics of the Latino text? Does the fact that a writer or director heralds from Hispanic descent necessarily render her or his fictional product a Latino text? Is there really one, sole Latino community represented in the texts, or rather, do we encounter a plurality of definitions of community? How does each writer and director use language(s)? Why are most of these texts written or performed primarily in English? Why do they narrate the experiences of young adolescents who emigrate to the United States? How has the existing body of critical studies on these texts affected the production of a Latino canon? Prerequisite: LTE 140 or equivalent. This course counts as a second literature in the Core Curriculum requirements.
Guerrero-Watanabe/Three credits

ECO 252 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Using problems encountered by less developed countries, theories of development are presented. The course addresses problems of capital accumulation, resources and population issues, strategies for agricultural and industrial development, government’s role, and relationships between developing and developed economies. Latin American Studies majors will focus their case work and writing on Latin American economic issues.
Staff/Three credits

ECO 353 INTERNATIONAL TRADE
An examination of the theory of international trade and policies followed by governments with respect to trade of goods and services among countries. Theory examines the gains from trade under classical and modern assumptions, and the impact of various measures used by governments to either restrict or promote trade. Policy analysis focuses on U.S. trade policies and the role of the World Trade Organization. Current topics include trade and the environment, NAFTA, U.S.-China trade, and others as appropriate. Prerequisites: ECO 110 and Junior/Senior standing.
Kantarelis, McGee/Three credits

ECO 354 INTERNATIONAL FINANCE
This course covers open economy macroeconomics. Topics include: balance or payments accounting, exchange rate determination, monetary and fiscal policy, and macroeconomic modeling. After examining standard theories and models, the course will explore case studies from recent history in numerous countries. The case studies will focus on: debt and balance of payments crises, speculative currency attacks, European monetary union, International Monetary Fund policy, and the value of the U.S. dollar. Students will engage in research projects. Prerequisites: ECO 110–111 and Junior/Senior standing.
Kantarelis, McGee/Three credits

GEO 222 REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF SOUTH AMERICA
Although many place names are important, the actual study of Regional Geography does not emphasize the rote knowledge of all rivers, mountains, and cities. The overall concept of the region, its development, its relationship to the stability of the entire continent, and its potential are the most important elements on which to focus. There are place names to know but only in the context of why they are important to their country or to the region. Thus, the conceptualization of how places are located in space is important, but more important is the understanding of those places’ roles in industry, resources, politics, agriculture,
and economics. Emphasis is on country by country review of natural resources, industry, physical structure, economic viability, its role in South America, and its potential for development in the new millennium.

Hickey/Three credits

HIS 250 COLONIAL LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY
This course is intended as a survey of colonial Latin American history. It traces the historical origins of Latin American society, focusing on the conflict of the clash of cultures. Themes include an examination into Iberian and pre-Columbian societies, conquest and subordination of Amerindian civilizations by Spain and Portugal, the structure and distribution of power, land, and labor in post-conquest Latin America, and the order and instability of colonial society. A major theme is the nature of inter-ethnic conflict between the European, African, and Indigenous peoples which made up the complex social fabric of the colony. Not open to students who have completed HIS 256.

Christensen/Three credits

HIS 251 MODERN LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY SINCE 1821
This course is intended as a survey of Modern Latin American history beginning with independence from Spain, and following through the explosive impact of the Mexican Revolution of 1910. The course ends with an examination of the present-day struggle for democracy and economic stability in Latin American nations, such as Mexico, Argentina, Peru, Columbia, and the countries of the Central American republics. The themes of the course focus on the causes and consequences of structural instability in Latin America since 1800. Special emphasis is placed on the collapse of the region’s traditional liberal/export model of national development in the 1930s and current political and economic crisis.

Christensen/Three credits

HIS 389 SPECIAL TOPICS IN HISTORY
This course permits the study of selected topics in history. The topic normally changes every time the course is offered. The course fulfills a Latin American Studies elective when the topic is in this area.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 392 HISTORY COLLOQUIUM
Designed principally for History majors and minors, the Colloquium brings together a small number of advanced students to study in depth a fairly restricted topic. Open to Latin American Studies majors when the topic is on Latin America. This course explores the origins of poverty in Latin America from the nineteenth century to the present, focusing on the ways Latin Americans themselves understood, dealt, and represented poverty. It also studies the perspectives of the poor and the ways they have challenged national policies of modernity and development.

Staff/Three credits

HIS 393 HISTORY SEMINAR
A research-oriented course designed primarily for History majors and minors, the Seminar is open only to students whose previous academic record demonstrates an ability to work independently and at a high intellectual level. Students will conduct individual research projects on different aspects of the seminar topic, which is chosen by the professor. Recent seminar topics have included the Inquisition and the Catholic Church in Mexico, and the Yucatan, and Human Rights and Violence in Latin America.

Staff/Three credits

LAS 200 INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES
A comprehensive introduction to Latin America and the Caribbean, this course provides a foundation for understanding the cultures and societies of the region. The course focuses on the diversity of cultures, indigenous peoples and those who came later, past and present interactions between this region and the rest of the world, and literature, art, and music. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements.

Loustauana/Grijalva/Three credits

LAS 390 INTERNSHIP
This internship provides students with an experiential learning opportunity while developing an academically oriented project. Students may opt to collaborate with the Latino Education Institute, or other agencies within the Latino community. Prerequisite: a minimum of one course with Latin American content at level 200.

Guerrero-Watanabe/Three credits

LAS 395 SPECIAL TOPICS
This course is an in-depth study of a specific topic on Latin American history, politics, society, culture, or artistic expression.

Staff/Three credits

LAS 399 INDEPENDENT STUDY
This is an individually supervised study of a relevant topic on Latin America. Available only to highly qualified majors who wish to develop a special interest, and have demonstrated ability for independent work. Permission of the program director is required. Prerequisite: a minimum of one course with Latin American content at level 200.

Staff/Three credits

LAS 400 LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES SEMINAR
An advanced research-oriented course designed primarily for History majors and minors, the seminar examines specific areas or topics from an interdisciplinary perspective. Because of this integrated approach, the course draws upon materials from more than one discipline. The content varies according to interest and the professor’s choice. Recent topics include: Creating a Nation: Mexico, Engaging the Andes: Peru and Ecuador, and Human Rights and Violence in Latin America, among others. The seminar is required of

Staff/Three credits
all Latin American Studies majors. Minors are encouraged to complete their study with this course. Prerequisites: Two courses with Latin American content in any related discipline at 200-level or higher and Senior/Junior standing. With permission of the program director, students who have demonstrated suitable preparation may enroll in this course.

Staff/Three credits

LIN 221  SOCIOLINGUISTICS
The dynamics of language as a social and cultural phenomenon. The importance of the various groups speakers belong to (social class, ethnic group, sex, age, occupation, and geographic area, for example) and what speakers do on particular communicative occasions (the interrelations of speaker, addressee, audience, topic, channel, and setting). Latin American Studies students may select special projects according to their areas of interest. (Fall and Spring)

Staff/Three credits

MGT 301  THE ENVIRONMENTS OF BUSINESS
Investigates selected components of the micro-environment which surrounds any organization, and which have a growing impact on managerial processes and decision-making. Specifically examines changing business values, the impact of rapidly changing technology, business ethics, government-business relations, and rapidly shifting societal expectations. Also explores selected issues such as business responsibility with regard to pollution control, energy conservation, health and safety of employees, and employment of minorities. Prerequisites: MGT 100 and Junior/Senior standing (Fall).

Pastille/Three credits

MGT 311  DIVERSITY IN THE WORK FORCE
The purpose of this seminar is to explore issues and the challenges of managing an increasingly diverse work force. The course focuses on preparing students to work and to manage in multicultural organizations. Special emphasis is placed on topics related to the impact of gender, race, and ethnicity, and other differences on interpersonal relations and group behavior within a managerial organizational context. Prerequisite: MGT 100 or permission of instructor.

LeBlanc/Three credits

MUS 125  WORLD MUSIC
A survey of musical traditions from around the world, including and examination of the cultures and philosophies that shape them. Topics include instrumentation, form, texture, rhythm, melody, and performance practice in the music of Native Americans, Africa, Central and Southeastern Europe, India, Indonesia, Japan, and Latin America. This course satisfies the Core requirement in Art, Music & Theater.

Clemente/Three credits

SOC 216  RACIAL AND ETHNIC RELATIONS
This course explores how race and ethnicity structure social relations and identities in the United States. Students will become familiar with the history of race and ethnicity in the U.S. and why it continues to be a central aspect of social life. The course will also focus on a variety of debates regarding the persistence of institutionalized racism and white privilege in the post-Civil Rights era. The process of how class, gender, and sexuality structure various racial and ethnic groups will be explored as well. Current issues on race and ethnicity addressed in this class include: racial profiling, immigration, increasing diversity in the U.S., affirmative action, Ebonics, reverse discrimination, post-September 11th forms of discrimination, and unequal access to employment, housing, and mortgages by race.

Farough/Three credits

SOC 236  SOCIAL JUSTICE IN A GLOBAL COMMUNITY
This course connects Assumption College to the Worcester community and to the global community. The content challenges students to see social issues in wider context, to see how world-wide phenomena and policies have an international impact. Issues the course covers include: global economics and inequality, diversity and multi-culturalism, ethnicity and migration patterns, and international social problems such as AIDS, genocide, and slavery. Through examination of these issues students learn to apply sociological theories and concepts. Same as ANT 236.

Peschbacher/Three credits

SPA 104  SPANISH IV
Integration of all skills. Reading skills using contemporary selections are developed through a process approach. Cultural topics present insights into the characteristics of Hispanic people, art, and literature. Prerequisite: SPA 103 or equivalent. (Fall and Spring).

Staff/Three credits

SPA 120  SPANISH V: CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH AND GRAMMAR REVIEW
This course helps develop oral language competency in Spanish, while increasing vocabulary and reviewing grammatical structures. The main objective is to enable students to understand lectures in the language, converse on everyday topics, read material of average difficulty, and express points of view on current issues with acceptable correctness. Prerequisite: SPA 104 or equivalent. (Fall and Spring).

Staff/Three credits

SPA 125  BUSINESS SPANISH I
This course enhances the student’s ability to function effectively in an increasingly important commercial language locally, throughout the United States, and abroad. This course provides the student with a solid foundation in Spanish in the vocabulary and discourse used when dealing with legal constitution of different types of companies, management, banking and accounting, property and equipment, the modern business office and communications, and human resources. The course will also develop the student’s geographic literacy and cultural understanding of the Spanish-speaking world, as these are essential to being
able to conduct business successfully in Spanish. Prerequisite: SPA 104 or equivalent.
Kercher/Three credits

SPA 126 BUSINESS SPANISH II
This course enhances the student’s ability to function effectively in an increasingly important commercial language locally, in the United States, and abroad. It provides the student with a solid foundation in Spanish in the vocabulary and discourse used when dealing with goods and services, marketing, finance, foreign market entry, and import-export. The course also develops geographic literacy and cultural understanding of the Spanish-speaking world, as these are central to being able to conduct business successfully in Spanish. The course, to be conducted primarily in Spanish, will also include translating and interpreting activities, language skills frequently used in the world of business and of special importance for managers and leaders who must be able to communicate effectively and make well-informed decisions. Prerequisite: SPA 104 or equivalent.
Kercher/Three credits

SPA 140 INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE: SPANISH LANGUAGE
Designed for students to become active readers of literature and develop skills. The students are introduced to the form and structure of various genres and of literature through the close reading and analysis of selections from Spanish and Spanish-American prose, fiction, poetry, and drama. Prerequisite: SPA 120 or equivalent. This course fulfills the Core requirement in Literature. (Fall and Spring).
Staff/Three credits

SPA 220 SPANISH COMPOSITION
Designed to develop skills in descriptive, narrative, and expository writing in Spanish, this course emphasizes the process of writing. It deals with strategies for generating and organizing ideas through pre-writing, composing, writing, and editing. Writing activities help expand and refine grammatical structures, range of vocabulary, and rhetorical techniques. Not open to students who have completed SPA 301. Prerequisite SPA 140 or equivalent. (Fall).
Loustauanau/Three credits

SPA 253 MAIN CURRENTS OF SPANISH-AMERICAN LITERATURE I
A critical study of major literary periods from Colonial times through the 19th Century, this course introduces students to a representative collection of literary works from the countries of Spanish America which are presented in chronological order. The study entails a comprehensive view of the pre-Columbian literary oral tradition as compiled during the Spanish colonization, the first Spanish-American writings, and the literary works of the Baroque, Neoclassical, and Romantic periods within the historical, cultural, and intellectual context. Readings include poems, letters, chronicles, essays, short stories, and short novels.
Prerequisite: SPA 140. Not open to students who have completed SPA 256.
Grijalva/Three credits

SPA 254 MAIN CURRENTS OF SPANISH-AMERICAN LITERATURE II
A critical study of literary periods from Modernism to the present within the cultural and intellectual development of the Spanish-American nations. Emphasis on the importance of Modernism with which Spanish-American literature entered the mainstream of Western letters, and on the impact of the Mexican Revolution in sharpening the social awareness of all writers throughout the century. Study of various literary directions: regionalism, indigenismo, poetic vanguard, social literary expression, critical revision of history, testimonial narrative and drama, and postmodern expression. Reading and analysis of representative works. Prerequisite: SPA 140.
Guerrero-Watanabe/Three credits

SPA 312 SPANISH-AMERICAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION I
This course attempts to build up an understanding of the Spanish-American world since pre-Columbian civilizations through colonial times. Topics to be considered include: Aztec warfare, religion and ritual, Mayan scientific thought, astronomy, and architecture, life in the Inca empire, Spanish conquest and the image of the conquistador, the quest for El Dorado, colonial culture and the Enlightenment, and the role of women in the foundations of the Spanish-American culture. Emphasis is placed on the development of the Spanish-American character, a product of the superimposition of new cultures upon the ancient civilizations. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Prerequisite: SPA 256.
Grijalva/Three credits

SPA 313 SPANISH-AMERICAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION II
The main objective of this course is to examine the Spanish-American way of life since the independence from Spain at the beginning of the 19th through the 20th century, as seen in the political development, social structures, and intellectual and cultural achievements of the new nations. Topics to be considered include: civilización vs. barbarie, the culture of dictatorships and revolutions, the Mexican muralists, the role of the church and the work of the theology of liberation, contributions of Spanish-American/Latina women, the impact of African culture on music and art, and the presence of Latino culture in the United States, among other topics. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Guerrero-Watanabe/Three credits

SPA 318 REBELLION AND REINVENTION IN MEXICO
This course explores contemporary Mexican literary and cultural production in response to socio-political rebellion and cultural reinvention. The course materials focus on four key moments in Mexican history: the Revolution of 1910,
the student movement of 1968, the Zapatista rebellion of 1994, and the current implications of mass migration and the narco wars. Students analyze textual, visual, and musical works by a variety of authors from the 20th and 21st centuries in order to learn how these authors represent cultural, social, and political affirmation in a country known for its economic and political repression. We will consider the role of literature and art in the understanding of civic action and social power. The course is taught in Spanish. Prerequisite: Any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

Loustaunau/Three credits

**SPA 380** LATIN AMERICAN CHRONICLES

In this course students will learn about how urban life, violence, and modern cities have been represented by journalist-literary writers in Latin America. We will discuss the relationship between literature and journalism, and between chronicles and other literary genres. In addition, students will examine some works of the “New Journalism” in the United States and its influence over Latin American writers. Intensive Spanish writing will be a major requirement. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Loustaunau/Three credits

**SPA 381** CONTEMPORARY SPANISH AMERICAN DRAMA

Close reading and analysis of representative playwrights from the second half of the 20th century to the present. The focus will be on significant movements in Spanish-American theater. The plays discussed will be those who have been responsive to world currents and to the cultural and social developments of their countries. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Loustaunau/Three credits

**SPA 384** MAGICAL REALISM AND THE LITERATURE OF THE FANTASTIC

Magical realism refers to a specific set of narrative works by Latin American writers in the second half of the twentieth century. This course will develop a more comprehensive understanding of this literary movement by analyzing a key number of primary texts along with all the pertinent literary criticism and theory. The textual strategies and techniques that help define these works include the use of rich, detailed language designed to create a realistic setting and characters in the story. The element of magic or the supernatural then enters or manifests itself in this seemingly “real” literary landscape. Although the texts incorporate these bursts of the unexplained, the main body of the text always follows a mimetic approach to fictional production. Our study of these fantastic texts will begin with a discussion of possible pre-cursors of the movement, such as the Argentineans Jorge Borges and Julio Cortázar, and then move on to more seminal texts like Cien años de soledad by Gabriel García Márquez and Eva Luna by Isabel Allende. In the last few weeks, students will have the opportunity to analyze more recent texts to see how magical realism affects current modes of literary production. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Guarnerio-Watanabe/Three credits

**SPA 385** SPANISH-AMERICAN SHORT FICTION

Short fiction is particularly significant in the study of 20th century Spanish-American literature, because this genre has been a catalyst in the literary developments that led to the “boom” of the 1960’s. The texts selected are short narratives that represent regional differences, but also reflect common aesthetic goals which aim at innovation and change. These literary movements include magic realism, as in the works of García Márquez and Carpenter, the fantastic, expressed in the short stories of Borges and Cortázar, social realism as presented by Rulfo, and feminist literature written by authors, such as Ferré Claribel Alegría, and Poniatowska, who address gender issues and questions of identity and social roles. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Guarnerio-Watanabe/Three credits

**SPA 386** LATIN AMERICAN CINEMA

Latin American cinema has been undergoing a revival from the mid-90’s onward. This course focuses on the cultural context of this revival by exploring the development of city films. We will screen films from Mexico, Argentina, Chile, Cuba, and Colombia, seeking to understand how each film addresses, or does not address, specific national concerns, especially urban issues, such as delinquency, violence and corruption, urban segregation, uses of public space, immigration, and gender, among others. The course also introduces the student to basic sequence analysis and film vocabulary in Spanish. The main objective is to develop “literacy” in media and provide students with a grounding in the film history of Latin America. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Kercher/Three credits

**SPA 387** MODERNISMO

Modernismo asserted the maturity of Spanish-American literature and brought the writers of all regions into its cosmopolitan dimension. The course examines the vital style and imagery that characterized this literary movement at the turn of the 19th century. The concern of modernista poets about experimentation with metaphors and versification will be studied through the poetry and poetic prose of Darío, Martí Nájera, Silva, and others, while the study of fictional and non-fictional prose will concentrate on the works of Larreta and Rodó. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Guarnerio-Watanabe/Three credits

**SPA 396** SPANISH-AMERICAN/LATINA WOMEN WRITERS

The main objective of this course is to bring together authors from diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds and address the question of the ideology that
sustains their writing. Each work provides the basis for discussion on gender, race, and class. Many writers are less interested in singling out male/female polarities than in exploring their subjectivity. Others are concerned with political oppression. A number of them seek to expose and undermine the established social roles of women. Readings are selected from various types of literary genres: novel, short fiction, epistolary writing, testimonial writing, poetry, autobiography, drama, and essay. Authors vary by semester, and may include: Sor Juana, Gómez de Avellaneda, Allende, Castellanos, Cisneros, Gambaro, Menchú Prida, Valenzuela, and Vega. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course.

SPA 400  SPECIAL TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

This course is an in-depth study of a specific topic on Latin American history, politics, society, culture, or artistic expression.

Staff/Three credits
**MISSION STATEMENT: COMPUTER SCIENCE**

The Computer Science program at Assumption College serves all students interested in computer science, computers, and their applications in a supportive and stimulating learning environment. As the science of computer technology, we support the liberal arts mission of the college through the Core Curriculum. As a source of computing skills, we offer courses supporting the development of technical proficiency. For those students who become majors or minors in computer science, we seek to develop their programming skills, their knowledge of computer hardware and software, and an appreciation of the social and ethical implications of technology. The major provides a foundation for a variety of professional careers in the computer industry and for graduate study in computer science.

**MAJOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**

The major consists of a total of fifteen (15) required courses, which comprise seven specifically required courses in computer science, five electives in computer science, and three courses in mathematics:

### Required Courses (15)

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**Sophomore / Junior:**

- CSC 231 Programming in Assembly Language**
- CSC 321 Database Management Systems**
- CSC 330 Computer Networks**

**Electives**

A minimum of five additional courses chosen from computer science courses numbered above 260 or MAT 356 Numerical Analysis or PHY 213 Introduction to Engineering.

The required courses are offered every year, excepting CSC 231, CSC 321, and CSC 330. These courses and the elective courses are offered in alternate years. Students should consult with an advisor in the department to plan their program.

In addition to the 15 courses taken to satisfy the requirements listed above for the major, CSC majors are encouraged to take MAT 203 Linear Algebra and MAT 208 Probability Theory.

* If necessary, may be taken in the fall of junior year.
** If not offered during sophomore year, must be taken during junior year.

**MINOR IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**

A minor in computer science consists of eight courses, which must include:

- CSC 117 Introduction to Programming
- CSC 250 Intermediate Programming
- CSC 305 Data Structures
- MAT 117–118 Calculus I and II
  OR
- MAT 131–132 Elementary Calculus I and II
- MAT 202 Discrete Structures

The remaining two courses may be chosen from the computer science courses numbered above 250.

**MINOR IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

The IT Minor consists of six courses, which comprise two required courses, and four electives taken in the Applied Track (for students majoring in Accounting), the Online Track (for students majoring in Marketing or Organizational Behavior) or the Analytical Track (for students majoring in Management or International Business).

### Required Courses (2)

1. CSC 113 Introduction to Computer Science
2. ACC 211 Accounting Information Systems
   OR
   MGT/MKT 302 Management Information Systems

### Electives (4)

**Applied Track Electives:**

- CSC 117, CSC 118, CSC 119E (Continuing and Career Education Course), CSC 170, CSC 175, CSC 250, CSC 265, CSC 301, CSC 315

**Online Track Electives:**

- CSC 117, CSC 118, CSC 170, CSC 175, CSC 180, CSC 220, CSC 250, CSC 265, CSC 301, CSC 315

**Analytical Track Electives:**

- CSC 117, CSC 175, CSC 250, CSC 261, CSC 265, CSC 301, CSC 327
Software Development
Students interested in software developer positions should consult with the Chairperson of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science to plan a course of study. Suggested coursework includes a major in Computer Science taking the electives CSC 301 Systems Analysis and Design and CSC 317 Java Programming.

MISSION STATEMENT: MATHEMATICS
The Mathematics program at Assumption College serves all students interested in mathematics and its applications in a supportive and stimulating learning environment. As mathematics is a founding discipline of the liberal arts, we support the mission of the college through our course offerings in the Core Curriculum. As mathematics is the language of science and quantitative analysis, we offer courses for majors in the sciences and business studies. For those students who become majors or minors in mathematics, we seek to develop their problem-solving skills, their reasoning abilities, and their knowledge of the various fields of mathematics. The major provides a foundation for professional careers, especially the teaching profession, and for graduate study in mathematics.

MAJOR IN MATHEMATICS
The major consists of a total of twelve (12) required courses, which comprise eight specifically required courses, four electives, and an oral comprehensive examination:

Required Courses (12)
First Year/Sophomore
MAT 131–132 Elementary Calculus I and II*
OR
MAT 117–118 Calculus I and II
CSC 117 Introduction to Programming
MAT 231–232 Intermediate Calculus I and II
(If necessary, may be taken in junior year.)
MAT 202 Discrete Structures
MAT 203 Linear Algebra
Senior Year
MAT 401 Mathematics Seminar

Electives
A minimum of four additional mathematics courses numbered above 200 or PHY 213 Introduction to Engineering. At least two electives must be 300-level courses, including at least one course chosen from:
MAT 332 Real Analysis
MAT 351 Modern Algebra I
MAT 358 Topology

Senior Oral Exam
Each mathematics major must pass an oral comprehensive examination administered at the end of the senior year. The exam is based on 8 topics covered in the required mathematics courses. Frequently included topics are Theory of Differentiation; Differentiation Techniques; Theory of Integration; Integration Techniques; Sequences and Series; Discrete Mathematics; Linear Algebra; and topics from the Mathematics Seminar.

The required courses are offered every year. Elective courses are offered in alternate years. Students should consult with an advisor in the department to plan their program.

*Students considering a major in mathematics are encouraged to take MAT 131–132 rather than MAT 117–118 in their first year.

MAJOR IN MATHEMATICS, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TRACK
The Elementary Track applies only to those students who are pursuing a concurrent Major in Education with a licensure emphasis in Elementary (1–6). If a student withdraws from the Education Major, then the option to pursue the Elementary Track in the Mathematics Major no longer applies. Mathematics Majors who are pursuing licensure in Middle/Secondary Education (5–8, 8–12) would still take the standard 12 courses required Mathematics Major, as given above.

Required Courses (10)
First Year/Sophomore
MAT 131-132 Elementary Calculus I and II
OR
MAT 117-118 Calculus I and II
MAT 150 Numbers and Operations for Educators
MAT 202 Discrete Structures
MAT 203 Linear Algebra
MAT 231 Intermediate Calculus I
Senior Year
Mathematics Oral Examination

Electives
A minimum of four additional mathematics courses numbered above 200. At least two of these courses must be at the 300+ level, including at least one course chosen from:
MAT 332 Real Analysis
MAT 351 Modern Algebra I
MAT 358 Topology

NOTE: The Elementary Track only applies to those students who are pursuing a concurrent Major in Education with a licensure emphasis in Elementary Education (1–6). If a student withdraws from the Education Major, then the option to pursue the Elementary Track in the Mathematics Major no longer applies.
MINOR IN MATHEMATICS
A minor in mathematics consists of six courses, which must include:

**MAT 131–132** Elementary Calculus I and II  
**OR**  
**MAT 117–118** Calculus I and II  
**MAT 202** Discrete Structures

The remaining courses may be chosen from the mathematics courses numbered above 200 with at least one course numbered above 300.

TEACHER PREPARATION
Students interested in the Major in Education should consult with the Chairperson of the Mathematics Department and the Licensure Program Coordinator in the Education Department to plan a course of study. Middle school (5–8) and secondary school (8–12) teacher of mathematics programs require a Major in Mathematics. The required courses for the major and the following elective courses address the subject matter knowledge prescribed by the Massachusetts Department of Education for the field of licensure:

**MAT 204** Number Theory (8–12)  
**MAT 208** Probability Theory (8–12)  
**MAT 351** Modern Algebra I (8–12)  
**MAT 353** Advanced Euclidean Geometry (5–8, 8–12)  
**ECO 115** Statistics  
**OR**  
**PSY 265** Statistics (5–8, 8–12)

ACTUARIAL SCIENCE
Students interested in the actuarial profession should consult with the Chairperson of the Mathematics Department to plan a course of study. Suggested coursework includes a major in Mathematics or Economics taking the electives:

**MAT 207** Actuarial Mathematics  
**MAT 208** Probability Theory  
**ECO 115–215** Statistics I-II  
**ECO 315** Econometrics, and a minor in Computer Science taking the electives:  
**CSC 261** Simulation  
**CSC 327** Operations Research, or a minor in Finance or Information Technology.

Students are advised to pursue summer work at an insurance company program, and to pass the first actuarial examination before graduation.

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW: The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

COURSE descriptions

COMPUTER SCIENCE (CSC)

**CSC 113** INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE  
This course presents an overview of computers and their applications. Students are exposed to a variety of platforms (e.g. MAC, PC, etc.). Topics include popular applications as well as hardware, software, the Internet, social implications and multimedia. Each semester the department will offer sections of CSC 113 with a specific emphasis: business applications, ethical implications, computer programming, and general computer science. Not open to those who have taken CSC 117. (Fall, Spring)  
Staff/Three credits

**CSC 117** INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING  
This course is an introduction to the field of computer science and structured programming in C++. Topics include basic computer architecture, the algorithmic approach to problem solving, various number systems, and logic. The programming language constructs introduced include types of variables, arithmetic operations, input/output, decision statements, loops, and functions. (Fall)  
Brown/Three credits

**CSC 118** INTERNET  
The purpose of the course is to give a deeper understanding of what the Internet is, how it works, and how the uses of it are changing. Students will cover the history, why the technology works, the ethics in using an open system, advanced settings, what is involved in designing, creating, and maintaining a web site, and be able to discuss the problems and possible future of this topic. Our task in this class is to jointly investigate how the Internet can and is being used. We will try together to cover and understand topics that most users of the Internet are not yet using such as RSS, blogs, wikis, mashups, clouds, apps and how to better search and evaluate the materials found. My hope is that we will cover materials that you do not know even exists. (Fall)  
Gupta/Three credits
CSC 170  DESKTOP PUBLISHING
This course considers desktop publishing as it is used in communications, marketing, small business, and non-profit organizations. Principles of good design are discussed and applied to produce high-quality, complex publications using Adobe InDesign. The emphasis is on the integration of text, spreadsheets, scanned images, and graphics to accomplish a wide variety of projects. Prerequisite: CSC 113 or CSC 117. (Spring)
Goodman/Three credits

CSC 175  DATABASES AND SPREADSHEETS
This course covers the establishment and effective use of a database using Access: design, screen forms and data-entry, queries, updating, linking related tables, report generation, and export/import to other programs. It also presents the design and application of spreadsheets using Excel formatting, ranges, built-in functions, user-defined formulas, array formulas, table-lookups, summaries by pivot tables, graphing, linking, and macros. Some mathematical background is assumed. Prerequisite: CSC 113 or CSC 117. (Fall)
Brown/Three credits

CSC 180  ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND MULTIMEDIA
This course will consider network systems and their characteristics, costs, and future directions; presentation software and hardware systems and their characteristics and limitations; multimedia systems, and human/computer interaction. Prerequisite: CSC 113 or CSC 117. (Spring)
Fry/Three credits

CSC 220  MULTIMEDIA FOR THE WEB
This course explores web-based communications using multimedia. Students create their own media-rich web sites. They create and import graphics from drawing programs, scanners, digital cameras and the web. Basic principles of interactive scripted modules in Flash, Motion, and related systems are examined and used. Desktop and broadcast digital video and effects systems as well as digital audio are introduced and used by the students. Simple animation, interactivity, and 3-D effects are also surveyed. Prerequisite: CSC 180. (Spring 2016)
Fry/Three credits

CSC 231  PROGRAMMING IN ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE
A course introducing the student to computer architecture and assembly language programming. Topics will include memory and addressing, data representation, real and integral arithmetic, instruction formats and sets, indexing, subroutines, and error correction. Prerequisite: CSC 117 or equivalent. (Fall 2014)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 250  INTERMEDIATE PROGRAMMING
This course extends the computer science and programming concepts introduced in CSC 117. The advanced topics include: objects, pointers, arrays, records, string types, and functions with output parameters. Prerequisite: CSC 117. (Spring)
Brown/Three credits

CSC 260  COMMAND LINE INTERFACES
This course introduces a command language computing environment, the bash shell interface to the Linux operating system. Topics covered include: an exploration of the bash shells, hierarchical file structure, file permissions, multituser systems, utilities, shell scripts, I/O redirection, pipes, and programming in C++. Prerequisite: CSC 117. (Spring)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 261  SIMULATION
Exposition of basic ideas of digital computer simulation of stochastic processes, and the application of those ideas to practical problems. Prerequisite: CSC 117. (Spring 2016)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 265  WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT USING WORDPRESS
This course will teach students how to design and implement websites using the WordPress content management system. Websites created with WordPress can be updated by almost anyone who can use a word processing program. The only software required is a browser. Since it is often offered as a CSL course, students can design websites for agencies in which the agency personnel can update the website themselves. The course will cover obtaining a domain name, hosting, creating the website, using plug-ins to do other functions like calendars and e-commerce. Prerequisite: One of CSC 113, CSC 117, or ARD 218. (Spring)
Goodman/Three credits

CSC 301  SYSTEMS ANALYSIS AND DESIGN
A course dealing with all aspects of system design and implementation. Problem definition, feasibility study, system design tools, system development control, and implementation and evaluation of systems will be covered. Prerequisite: CSC 117 or equivalent. (Fall 2015)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 303  OPERATING SYSTEMS
This course introduces operating system design emphasizing process management for multituser and networked systems. Topics covered include: process scheduling, interprocess communication, race conditions and solutions, memory, device and file management. Prerequisites: CSC 260 and CSC 305. (Spring 2015)
Gupta/Three credits

CSC 305  DATA STRUCTURES
This course introduces complex data structures such as trees, lists, stacks, and matrices. It also covers the classification of an algorithm by computing its order. The algorithms that will be analyzed include various sorting and searching methods. Prerequisite: CSC 250. (Fall)
Fry/Three credits
CSC 310 INTERACTIVE COMPUTER GRAPHICS
This course presents the basic principles for the design and use of computer graphic systems. Topics include graphics devices, two- and three-dimensional representations, transformations, rotations, scaling, device independence, windowing, and clipping. Prerequisite: CSC 305 must be completed or taken concurrently. (Fall 2014)
Fry/Three credits

CSC 315 E-COMMERCE
Learn to use the fastest-growing marketplace in the world! This course is an introduction to the world of electronic commerce, covering technical and business topics. Case studies and business examples, including triumphs and flops, are analyzed. The course considers ways that EC is affecting the business community, and the problems managers face as they adapt to doing business in cyberspace. Prerequisite: CSC 113 or CSC 117. (Spring)
Chase/Three credits

CSC 317 JAVA PROGRAMMING
Java is an object-oriented programming language with many interactive multimedia capabilities. This course covers the fundamentals of Java programming language, including how to write, debug, and execute Java programs. The course covers object-oriented programming techniques, as well as creating Java applets and applications. Prerequisite: CSC 305. (Spring 2015)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 321 DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS
This course deals with both the operational and decision support environment of database systems. Topics include indexing, randomization, physical blocking, and relational and hierarchical structures. Previous experience at the level of CSC 175 or equivalent is recommended. Prerequisite: CSC 305. (Spring 2015)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 325 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
This course is an open-ended discussion of what Artificial Intelligence (AI) is and how it might be achieved. Computers are defined as abstract machines. Defining intelligence is approached using results from neuroscience and cognitive psychology. Practical AI applications discussed include: language-understanding, robotics, expert systems, neural nets, and game-playing programs. Prerequisite: CSC 305 must be completed or taken concurrently. (Fall 2015)
Fry/Three credits

CSC 327 OPERATIONS RESEARCH
Concepts, methods, and introduction to the theory of optimization of linear systems. Topics to include simplex method, duality, sensitivity, formulation, and classic problems, e.g., maximal flow, travelling salesman, and assignment. Prerequisites: CSC 305 must be completed or taken concurrently. (Fall 2014)
Katcher/Three credits

CSC 330 COMPUTER NETWORKS
This course examines principles and current trends in computer networks. It covers local area network (LAN) technology, network architecture, network layers using the ISO's reference model for open systems, protocols, network topology, internet working devices, and data communications. The course utilizes elementary concepts and offers hands-on experience with LANs. Prerequisite: CSC 113. (Spring 2016)
Staff/Three credits

CSC 335 COMPUTER AND NETWORK SECURITY
This course provides a survey of the concepts of information security, computer security and information assurance system. A focus on both fundamentals and practical information will be stressed. Topics include a study of security services (integrity, availability, confidentiality, etc), security attacks, vulnerabilities, exploits, and applications of security techniques for new services. Prerequisite: MAT 117 or above, or ECO 115, or CSC 117 or above. (Fall 2014)
Chase/Three credits

MATHEMATICS (MAT)

MAT 111 INTRODUCTORY MATHEMATICS
An introductory course in basic algebra which covers the following topics: properties of real numbers, linear equations and inequalities, functions and graphs, polynomials, fractional algebra, radicals, and rational exponents. Not open to those who have completed any other mathematics course. (Fall 2014)
Kozak/Three credits

MAT 114 ELEMENTARY FUNCTIONS
A survey of those topics in algebra, trigonometry, and analytic geometry which provide the background for the study of calculus. Topics to be covered include exponential and logarithmic functions, complex numbers and polynomial functions, trigonometry, plane analytic geometry, and systems of linear equations and inequalities. The department also offers sections of MAT 114 with a specific emphasis on business or science applications, the content coverage may include topics in financial mathematics and matrices. Not open to those who have completed MAT 117 or 131. Prerequisite: MAT 111 or departmental permission through placement. Counts in the Core Curriculum Requirements as Mathematics Group A. If only one Mathematics course is taken to fulfill the Core requirement in Mathematics, it must be at this level or higher. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 117 CALCULUS I
An introductory course in differential calculus. Topics to be covered include limits and continuity, the derivative and applications, and an introduction to integration. The department also offers sections of MAT 117 with a specific emphasis on business applications. Not open to those who complete MAT 131. Prerequisite: MAT 114 or department permission through placement. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits
MAT 118  CALCULUS II
The continuation of MAT 117. Topics to be covered include the definite integral and applications, elementary techniques of integration, partial derivatives, and first-order differential equations. The department also offers sections of MAT 118 with a specific emphasis on business applications. Not open to those who complete MAT 131 or MAT 132. Prerequisite: MAT 117. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 131–132  ELEMENTARY CALCULUS I AND II (HONORS)
A more rigorous introduction to calculus for entering students with good backgrounds in mathematics. Recommended for students considering a major in mathematics. Topics include the real numbers, functions, limits, the derivative and applications, the integral and applications, and techniques of integration. The department also offers sections of MAT 131–132 with a specific emphasis on engineering applications. Not open to those who complete MAT 117 or MAT 118. Prerequisite: Departmental permission through placement. (131 in Fall, 132 in Spring)
Staff/Three credits each semester

MAT 150  NUMBERS AND OPERATIONS FOR EDUCATORS
In this course, students will investigate fundamental mathematics concepts associated with numbers, operations, and patterns. One of the major goals of the course is for students to develop deeper conceptual understandings of the mathematics concepts they will teach in the elementary and middle grades. Not only will students gain computational proficiency but also the ability to explain to students, in multiple ways, why mathematics concepts make sense. The course heavily emphasizes the use of open-ended problem-solving methods of teaching and learning to help students develop their own functional understanding of the major concepts. A significant focus of this course will be on problem solving, reasoning and proof, multiple representations, recognizing connections (across content areas and disciplines), and mathematical communication. The course is intended for students planning on pursuing a career in elementary or middle school education. As such, particular attention is given to understanding common misconceptions that children have when learning about specific mathematics concepts and considering the ramifications of these misconceptions for the development of effective classroom instruction. Prerequisite: MAT 114 or higher. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 151  ALGEBRA, GEOMETRY, AND DATA ANALYSIS FOR EDUCATORS
In this course, students will investigate fundamental mathematics concepts associated with algebra, geometry, and data analysis. One of the major goals of the course is for students to develop deeper conceptual understandings of the mathematics concepts they will teach in the elementary and middle grades. Not only will students gain computational proficiency but also the ability to explain to students, in multiple ways, why mathematics concepts make sense. The course heavily emphasizes the use of open-ended problem-solving methods of teaching and learning to help students develop their own functional understanding of the major concepts. A significant focus of this course will be on problem solving, reasoning and proof, multiple representations, recognizing connections (across content areas and disciplines), and mathematical communication. The course is intended for students planning on pursuing a career in elementary or middle school education. As such, particular attention is given to understanding common misconceptions that children have when learning about specific mathematics concepts and considering the ramifications of these misconceptions for the development of effective classroom instruction. Prerequisite: MAT 114 or higher. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 202  DISCRETE STRUCTURES
This course is an introduction to mathematical logic and discrete systems. Topics include Boolean algebra, mathematical proof, sets, relations, functions, induction, combinatorics, graph theory, and applications. Prerequisite: MAT 118 or MAT 132 must be completed or taken concurrently. (Fall)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 203  LINEAR ALGEBRA
Linear systems of equations, matrix algebra, determinants, vector spaces, linear transformations, matrix representations of linear transformations, and applications. Prerequisite: MAT 118 or MAT 132 must be completed or taken concurrently. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 204  NUMBER THEORY
Divisibility theory, prime factorization, congruences, Fermat’s theorems, the phi-function, Euler’s Theorem, and applications. Prerequisite: MAT 202. (Spring 2016)
Cioffari/Three credits

MAT 207  ACTUARIAL MATHEMATICS
Mathematical theory and practical application of compound interest, including the measurement of interest, annuity calculations, loan repayment, and security valuation. Stress laid on theoretical foundations, derivations, and proofs. Introduction to financial simulation. Prerequisite: MAT 202. (Fall 2014)
Katcher/Three credits

MAT 208  PROBABILITY THEORY
Combinatorial problems, conditional probability, independence, probability measures, distributions, and stochastic processes. Prerequisite: MAT 202. (Spring 2015)
Alfano/Three credits
MAT 231–232  INTERMEDIATE CALCULUS I AND II
A second-year course in calculus, designed to follow either MAT 118 or MAT 132. Topics to be covered include methods of integration, parametric curves, polar coordinates, sequences and series, power series, Taylor polynomials, vector geometry, vector functions, multivariable functions, and partial differentiation. Prerequisite: MAT 118 or MAT 132. (231 in Fall, 232 in Spring)
Kelton/Three credits each semester

MAT 331  CALCULUS OF VECTOR FUNCTIONS
A course in the calculus of vector-valued functions and of functions of several variables. Topics to be covered include curves and surfaces in Euclidean n-space, the derivative and the differential of a vector function, the chain rule; the inverse function theorem and the implicit function theorem, multiple integrals and the change of variable theorem for multiple integrals, the theorems of Green, Gauss, and Stokes. Prerequisite: MAT 232. (Fall 2014)
Andersen/Three credits

MAT 332  REAL ANALYSIS
A course in classical real analysis. Topics to be covered include the real number system, convergence of sequences, limits and continuity of functions, differentiation, and integration. Prerequisite: MAT 232. (Fall 2015)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 351  MODERN ALGEBRA I
An introductory course in abstract algebra. This course will cover the theory of groups and the definitions of rings and fields. Prerequisite: MAT 202. (Fall 2014)
Alfano/Three credits

MAT 352  MODERN ALGEBRA II
The continuation of MAT 351. Topics include advanced group theory, and the theory of rings and fields. Prerequisite: MAT 351. (Spring 2015)
Staff/Three credits

MAT 353  ADVANCED EUCLIDEAN GEOMETRY
Theorems of Menelaus and Ceva. Euler line and nine-point circle. Cross-ratio, harmonic division, and orthogonality of circles. Inversive geometry. Theorems of Pappus, Desargues, and Pascal. Elementary transformations. Prerequisite: MAT 118 or MAT 132. (Fall 2015)
Brusard/Three credits

MAT 355  DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
First and second order differential equations. Linear differential equations and linear systems. Existence and uniqueness theorems. Applications. Prerequisite: MAT 232 must be completed or taken concurrently. (Spring 2015)
Carlin/Three credits

MAT 356  NUMERICAL ANALYSIS
Roots of equations. Analysis of errors. Convergence. Interpolation and polynomial approximation. Numerical differentiation and integration. Solving linear systems, unstable matrices. The computer is used throughout the course. Prerequisite: MAT 118 or MAT 132. (Spring 2016)
Brown/Three credits

MAT 358  TOPOLOGY
An introductory treatment of both point-set and combinatorial topology. Topics to be covered include topological spaces and metric spaces, classification of surfaces, homology (mod 2), and map-coloring theorems. Prerequisite: MAT 202 and MAT 232. (Spring 2016)
Fry/Three credits

MAT 401  MATHEMATICS SEMINAR
The topic is determined by the instructor. Emphasis is placed on student oral presentations. Required course for senior mathematics majors. (Fall)
Carlin/Three credits

MAT 402  MATHEMATICS THESIS
Available only to highly qualified students. Under the direction of an individual instructor, each student will complete a thesis (either expository or research) on some advanced topic in mathematics. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

NOTE: Semesters given with a year indicate courses that are offered in alternate years.
MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

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MISSION STATEMENT
The Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Cultures cultivates students' understanding of diversity and global perspectives by introducing them to the rich cultural traditions and literary expression of the civilizations we study. By engaging multiple cultures, we prepare our students to be thoughtful and compassionate citizens of a global community, thus supporting the mission of the College. In keeping with the liberal arts tradition, our programs ensure that students not only improve their ability to communicate in the target language—but orally and in writing—but also develop skills of critical thinking and content analysis. Our majors prepare students to use their linguistic, cultural and critical skills in their careers, advanced studies, and other future endeavors. The Department embraces the central educational values of Assumption College and its pursuit of academic excellence.

LEARNING GOALS
- To develop good oral/aural communication skills in the target language
- To write effectively in the target language
- To think critically about literary and cultural texts using discipline-appropriate methods of analysis
- To better understand the cultures of our target languages

MAJOR IN CLASSICS
The Major in Classics is designed to provide a comprehensive course of study of the languages, literatures, and cultures of ancient Greece and Rome. These cultures form the foundation of much of our modern civilization, and their influence in many disciplines remains strong. The Major in Classics offers the opportunity to study in depth the great works, thoughts, and achievements of antiquity. Classics majors are well-prepared for graduate study in the discipline, as well as in law and medicine. Moreover, the broad liberal arts training which the Major in Classics provides allows for great flexibility of career choices in areas as diverse as the arts, computers, journalism, law, librarianship, publishing, and teaching.

Classics is a rich and varied field which involves two languages and cultures and spans many centuries. As a result of this diversity, a student might choose to pursue both Greek and Roman studies or to focus on one culture alone. A student may elect one of four concentrations: Greek, Latin, Classical Languages, or Classical Civilization. Selection of courses within these concentrations should be made in close consultation with the advisor to ensure a balanced and coherent course of study. Courses in related areas, such as art, history, linguistics, and philosophy are especially desirable as electives.

Concentration in Greek
Required Courses (9)
- GRK 201 Greek III
- GRK 202 Greek IV
- Two courses in Greek at the 300 level
- History 201 Ancient Greece

Four or more courses chosen from Comparative Literature courses numbered 210–219, LTC 140: Introduction to Literature (Classical emphasis section only), additional Greek or Latin courses at any level; or courses from the list below.

Concentration in Latin
Required Courses (9)
- LAT 201 Latin III
- LAT 202 Latin IV
- Three courses in Latin at the 300 level
- History 202 Ancient Rome

Three or more courses chosen from Comparative Literature courses numbered 210–219, LTC 140: Introduction to Literature (Classical emphasis section only), additional Greek or Latin courses at any level; or courses from the list below.

Concentration in Classical Languages
Required Courses (9)
- GRK or LAT 201 and 202 and two 300 level courses
- Two courses in the other classical language at any level

Three or more courses chosen from Comparative Literature courses numbered 210–219, LTC 140: Introduction to Literature (Classical emphasis section only), additional Greek or Latin courses at any level; or courses from the list below.

Concentration in Classical Civilization
Required Courses (11)
- Either LAT or GRK 201 and 202 and two 300 level courses
- Either HIS 201 or 202
- Two Comparative Literature courses numbered 210–219
Four or more courses chosen from Comparative Literature courses numbered 210–219, LTC 140: Introduction to Literature (Classical Emphasis section only), additional Greek or Latin courses at any level, or courses from the list below.

Electives for all four Classics Concentrations:
- ANT 132 Introduction to Archaeology
- ANT 133 Ancient Civilizations
- ARH 221 Ancient Art
- ARH/POL 150H Foundations: Politics and Art (First semester only)
- CLT 205 Literary Foundations of the West I
- HIS 201 Ancient Greece
- HIS 202 Ancient Rome
- HIS 203 Byzantine Empire
- LIN 101 Introduction to Linguistics
- PHI 350 Plato
- POL 351 Classical Political Philosophy
- PHI/THE 205 Foundations: Religion and Philosophy (First semester only)
- THE 203 The Early Church

Elective courses should be selected in close consultation with the departmental advisor. Other courses may be selected if the content deals substantively with the classical world. Independent Studies and Consortium courses may also be included.

MINOR IN CLASSICS
The Minor in Classics is a flexible program for students with an interest in the ancient world. Students take six courses including either the elementary sequence (101–102) in Greek or Latin or one intermediate-level Greek or Latin course. Remaining courses may be chosen from the classical languages, classical literature in translation, and related fields, such as art, history, philosophy, religion, and politics. The program must be planned with the departmental advisor.

MINOR IN COMPARATIVE LITERATURE
Courses in Comparative Literature are offered in English in order to provide students with a background in the literature of the non-English-speaking world. Students who wish to minor in Comparative Literature will be required to demonstrate a proficiency in a foreign language equivalent to the college’s current skills requirement (FRE, GER, ITA, SPA 103, GRK, LAT 201). Courses are offered in the literatures of France, Spain, Latin America, Germany, Russia, and Ancient Greece and Rome. There are also courses built around selected themes. Students, in consultation with a departmental advisor, may construct a minor with six one-semester courses from any of the above-mentioned offerings with the sole requirement that no more than two of these courses may be in any one of these areas. Up to two courses outside the CLT offerings in the original language or in English may be selected for the minor in consultation with the departmental advisor.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND EDUCATION CONCENTRATORS
The Department of Foreign Languages works closely with Assumption’s Department of Education to prepare students for the teaching of foreign languages. Such students should consider a major in one or more foreign languages and a concentration in elementary or secondary education.

The departmental majors in Classics, French, Spanish, and Foreign Languages provide students with 27–33 hours of coursework in the field of knowledge competency required for certification by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The majors in French and Spanish with Concentration in Culture and Civilization require a total of 36 hours of coursework which focus on language and culture, and include coursework in linguistics. Students preparing to teach foreign languages at the elementary or secondary level are strongly encouraged to consider these major program options. However, no classroom course of study can replace the actual affiliation and development of language and culture skills in the target culture. Consequently, foreign language/education concentrators are advised to meet with a member of the Foreign Language Department as soon as possible to build study abroad into their academic plans.

Application for the appropriate education concentration must be made to Assumption’s Department of Education by the spring of the Sophomore year, and students should plan their courses of study working closely with a member of the Education Department Coordinator and a member of the Modern and Classical Languages Department.

MAJOR IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES
There is an increasing need in government, business, foreign service, and education for college graduates versed in more than one language and culture. The Foreign Language Major aims to prepare the student for these positions of service and responsibility by a study of any two foreign languages:

MAJOR LANGUAGE: 8 major-level courses taught in the target language (24 credits)

MINOR LANGUAGE: 4 major-level courses taught in the target language (12 credits)

Please see description of major programs for the appropriate course in each language. Students in the
major are strongly advised to undertake an immersion experience in at least one of the language areas studied. Students unable to study abroad will consult with a departmental advisor to develop an alternative experience, such as a local internship in which they might apply their language/culture competence.

MAJOR IN FRENCH

The Major in French exposes students to the various expressions of the culture of France so that they may in turn share their knowledge and appreciation with others—as a teacher, scholar, writer, translator, or commercial or governmental representative.

The program seeks primarily to have majors:
(a) achieve both proficiency and fluency in the oral and written forms of the language;
(b) read with understanding and enjoyment representative works of French literature from the Middle Ages to the present day;
(c) acquire the scholarly and critical tools required for further study, whether in graduate school or independently.

Required Courses (11)

A total of 11 major-level courses (those numbered 120 or higher) are required for a major. These must include:

• One course in the written language: (FRE 240, FRE 301, FRE 392)
• One course in the spoken language: (FRE 120, FRE 302)
• A minimum of three courses in French literature studied in the language at the 200 level or higher. It is recommended that these courses include the three basic genres (drama, poetry, and prose). Courses are to be chosen in consultation with a departmental advisor in terms of the student’s needs, interests, and qualification.
• One course for the major may be taken from the Foreign Languages offerings in English which relate to the study of French. These include courses in CLT or LIN. Students are encouraged to take this course early in their program when their language skills may limit them to a sequence of one course per semester. These related courses serve to introduce potential majors to significant intellectual issues in the field. This course should be chosen in consultation with a departmental advisor in order to avoid taking a course in English which would later be offered in the target language.

MAJOR IN FRENCH WITH CONCENTRATION IN FRANCOPHONE CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION

The main objective of the French Major with a concentration in culture/civilization is to help develop cultural literacy which involves familiarity with the language and its interaction with culture, appreciation of values and norms that distinguish the other culture, and understanding of the stories another culture tells about itself, not just through literature but also through history, politics, economics, art, and so forth. The study of culture in general terms is concerned with the way other people structure their world.

The focus of this concentration is on the culture of France as well as other French-speaking regions of Africa, the Caribbean, Canada, Europe, and Southeast Asia. This major prepares students for teaching careers, graduate work, community service, and employment in organizations and agencies with international interests.

Required Courses (12)

• Five of the following courses:
  FRE 120 French V (or FRE 110, French IV/V)
  FRE 140 Introduction to Literature. French Language
  FRE 251–252 Main Currents of French Literature (one course)
  FRE 392 Explication de Texte
  LIN 221 Sociolinguistics (LIN 101 may be substituted for LIN 221 with the approval of the Dept. Chair)
• Four courses acceptable for the French Major, including a minimum of one in each of three areas: literature, written expression, and oral expression, plus three courses in culture/civilization.

All French majors are strongly advised to undertake an immersion experience. Study abroad in Europe, Africa, the Caribbean, Southeast Asia, or Quebec is optimal. Students unable to study abroad will consult with a departmental advisor to develop an alternate experience, such as an appropriate local internship, in which they may apply their language/culture competence.

MINOR IN FRENCH

A student may complete a Minor in French by taking a total of six one-semester courses (18 credits) which may include FRE 104 and courses acceptable for the French Major. The program must be planned with a Departmental Advisor. All courses for the minor must be in French.

MINOR IN FRENCH STUDIES

Students who wish to do so may combine courses in French Language and Literature with offerings in related areas (i.e., French or Canadian Culture and Civilization, History, Art, Music). This program must be developed in cooperation with a Departmental Advisor and should include:

• At least one course in French at the level of FRE 104 or higher.
• One course in French or Francophone Literature which may be studied in the original or in translation.
• One course in French or Francophone Culture and Civilization or History (FRE 310, FRE 313, HIS 235, and HIS 257).
• Three other courses in related areas which should be selected in consultation with the student's departmental advisor.

MINOR IN GERMAN STUDIES
The German Studies Minor is intended to offer students a greater knowledge of the language and a deeper understanding of the thoughts and culture of the German-speaking countries, especially of the new Federal Republic of Germany, which has become a powerful political and economic force in the new Europe.

A student may complete a Minor in German Studies with six one-semester courses (18 credits) which must include at least one course in each of the following areas:
1. German at the level of GER 103 or higher
2. German literature in the original or in translation (i.e., CLT 140 Introduction to Literature/German emphasis, GER/CLT 251: Modern German Masterpieces)
3. German history (HIS 271, HIS 272)

The remaining courses may be selected in other disciplines when the content deals substantively with German culture (i.e., PHI 365, PHI 325, THE 363, MUS 223, MUS 225). The choice will depend on the student's interest. Independent studies and consortium courses may be included. The minor must be planned with the departmental advisor.

MAJOR IN ITALIAN STUDIES
The Italian Studies Major has its basis in a diversified curriculum in the liberal arts and has the objectives of developing oral and written proficiency in the Italian language and of familiarizing students with the history, literature, art, culture, and civilization of Italy. For completion of the major, a total of ten courses (30 credits) are required, including the following:
• A minimum of five courses in the target language beginning at ITA 103 or higher. These should include an advanced grammar and culture course in Italian, and an Italian literature course in Italian.
• Students may complete requirements for the major with a maximum of five courses in related areas such as anthropology, art history, comparative literature, geography, history, linguistics, literature, or political science that deal specifically with Italy or Italian-American identity. These courses must be approved in advance by the Department Chair.

Eligible courses may include:
ARH 223 Renaissance Art and Architecture
ARH 324 Michelangelo: Painting, Sculpture, Architecture, and Poetry
CLT 266 Italian Cinema
HIS 202 Ancient Rome, 509 B.C–565 A.D.

Students are strongly encouraged to undertake a semester-long program of study in Italy with the majority of courses conducted in Italian. Students are also encouraged to enroll in upper-division courses in Italian offered through the Worcester Consortium.

MINOR IN ITALIAN STUDIES
The Italian Studies Minor is intended to offer students a greater knowledge of the language and an understanding of the Italian way of life as seen in the social structure, political institutions, economy, arts, and culture of Italy. A country with a rich artistic and literary history, contemporary Italy plays a prominent role in world affairs as a member of the European Union. Knowledge of Italian language and culture is an asset to students interested in all areas of the Humanities as well as International Business and Foreign Affairs.

A student may complete a Minor in Italian Studies with six one-semester courses (18 credits) including the following:
• Italian language at the level of Italian 103 or higher. Up to two additional language courses may be included.
• Italian literature in the original (i.e., ITA 140 Introduction to Literature: Italian Language or equivalent course).
• The remaining courses may be taken in other disciplines where the content deals substantively with Italian culture. These courses include but are not limited to:
  ARH 223 Renaissance Art
  ARH 323 Italian Renaissance Painting
  ARH 324 Michelangelo: Painting and Sculpture
  CLT 225 Dante's Comedy
  CLT 266 Italian Cinema
  HIS 202 Ancient Rome
  POL 338 Nationalism and Fascism
  POL 359 Medieval Political Philosophy

A fifth semester Italian language course.

Depending on the interests of the individual student and the applicability of the course focus in a given term, other courses may be included (ARH 224, HIS 204, HIS 205, HIS 206, HIS 212). Students will be required to demonstrate that they will deal substantively with Italian studies in assignments which may include additional reading materials, special projects and research, or a final paper. These courses must
be approved by the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Cultures and the faculty member teaching one of these courses. Independent studies, consortium, and study abroad courses may be included. The minor must be planned with the departmental advisor.

**DOUBLE MAJOR WITH LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**

Spanish majors are encouraged to pursue a double major in combination with the major in Latin American Studies. The major is designed to respond to the increasing interest in the societies of the region. The program provides an opportunity for study of their history, political and economic systems, social structures, and literary and artistic expression. Latin American Studies majors will be prepared for graduate study or employment in fields such as government, business, industry and education. For a full description of requirements, see the Latin American Studies listing under Interdisciplinary programs.

**MINOR IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**

A student may complete the Minor in Latin American Studies with one intermediate level Spanish course, and 6 one-semester courses (18 credits) acceptable for the major. For a full description of requirements, see the Latin American Studies listing under Interdisciplinary programs.

**MAJOR IN SPANISH**

The Major in Spanish is an integral part of a traditional education in the liberal arts. The Spanish Major is designed to contribute to the cultural and intellectual formation of students, as well as to prepare them for continued work on the graduate level or independent study, for teaching on the elementary or secondary level, and for service as interpreters, translators, social workers, or representatives in business or government. It can also serve as the basis for a rewarding career in law, penology, or helping services.

Spanish majors are expected to achieve proficiency and fluency in the spoken and written language and to read with critical appreciation and enjoyment representative works of the principal authors of Spain and Latin America. The selection of courses in this major will be made in consultation with the advisor with a view to a complete formation in the language, literature, and cultures of the Spanish-speaking world. Spanish majors are strongly advised to spend a semester or an academic year in a Spanish-speaking country.

**Required Courses (11)**

A total of 11 major-level courses (those numbered 120 or higher) is required for a major. Students are expected to include language, literature, and culture study in their program. The following are the minimum around which an individual program of study should be developed. These must include at least:

- One course in the written language (SPA 210, SPA 220, SPA 301)
- One course in the spoken language (SPA 120, SPA 302)
- One course in culture/civilization (SPA 310, SPA 311, SPA 312, SPA 313, SPA 315, SPA 316, SPA 366, SPA 386)
- A minimum of three courses in Spanish and Spanish-American literature studied in the language at the 200 level or higher, no more than two of which can be in the category of Main Currents (SPA 251, 252, 253, 254). At least one of the three courses must be a Main Currents course (required for all other advanced literature courses). It is recommended that the other courses include the three basic genres (drama, poetry, and prose).

Courses in written and oral expression may be waived in the case of students who have achieved the desired proficiency. Further courses may be required until the student has attained a level expected by the department. Students who are considering a major in Spanish are advised to fulfill the Introduction to Literature requirement by taking SPA 140.

- One course towards the major may be taken from the Modern and Classical Languages offerings in English which relate to the study of Spanish. These include courses in CLT or LIN. LAS courses may be included with the permission of the chair. Students are encouraged to take this related course in English early in their program when their language skills may limit them to a sequence of one course per semester. These related courses serve to introduce potential majors to significant intellectual issues in the field. This course should be chosen in consultation with a departmental advisor in order to avoid taking a course in English which would later be offered in the target language.

**MAJOR IN SPANISH WITH CONCENTRATION IN HISPANIC CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION**

The objective of the Major in Spanish with a concentration in culture/civilization is to help develop cultural literacy which involves familiarity with the language and its interaction with culture, appreciation of values and norms that distinguish the other culture, and understanding of the stories another culture tells about itself, not just through literature but also through history, politics, economics, art, and so forth. The study of culture in
general terms is concerned with the way other people structure their world.

The focus of this concentration is on the culture of Spain, Spanish-America, and Latino cultures within the United States and other regions of the world. This major is an excellent preparation for a teaching career, graduate work, community service, and employment in organizations and agencies with international interests.

**Required Courses (12)**

- Four courses:
  
  SPA 120    Conversational Spanish and Grammar Review (or SPA 110, Spanish IV / V)  
  SPA 140    Introduction to Literature: Spanish Language  
  SPA 251, 252, 253, 254   Main Currents of Spanish or Spanish-American Literature (one course)  
  LIN 221   Sociolinguistics (LIN 101 may be substituted for LIN 221 with the approval of the Dept. Chair)

- Five courses acceptable for the Spanish Major, including a minimum of one in each area: literature, written expression, and oral expression.

- Three courses in culture/civilization.

Students in the major are strongly advised to undertake an immersion experience. Study in Europe, Latin America, or in areas with Latino populations within the United States is most desirable. Students unable to study abroad will consult with a departmental advisor to develop an alternate experience, such as an appropriate local internship, in which they might apply their language/culture competence.

**MINOR IN SPANISH**

A student completes a minor in Spanish by taking a total of six one-semester courses (18 credits) which can include SPA 104 and courses acceptable for the Spanish major. The program must be planned with a departmental advisor. All courses for the minor must be in Spanish.

**A NOTE ON PRE-LAW**

The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.
for ancient myths, poems, plays, inscriptions, temples, sculptures, and paintings. Topics include myths of creation, the Olympian gods, ancient religion, and the hero. The nature of myth and various interpretative theories of myth are also explored. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Fall)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

CLT 211  MYTH IN EPIC
Study of the development of the genre of epic with readings in English drawn from Homer's Iliad and Odyssey, Hesiod's Theogony, Apollonius' Voyage of Argo, Lucretius' The Nature of Things, Vergil's Aeneid, and Ovid's Metamorphoses. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Spring)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

CLT 212  MYTH IN TRAGEDY
Reading in English of Aeschylus' Oresteia and Prometheus Bound, and representative tragedies of Sophocles, Euripides, and the Roman poet Seneca. Emphasis on dramatic poetry as a source for the study of Greek mythology. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Spring)
Catto/Three credits

CLT 213  GREEK AND ROMAN COMEDY
Reading in English of representative comedies of Aristophanes, Menander, Plautus, and Terence, and their influences on later authors. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Spring)
Catto/Three credits

CLT 217  INTRODUCTION TO FILM STUDIES: WORLD CINEMA FOCUS
This course introduces key concepts and approaches relevant to the study of film through case studies of Hollywood and world cinema. Basic concepts such as genre, the auteur, narrative, stardom and acting, spectatorship, and audiences are all considered. Students will explore the main aspects of film form (mise-en-scene, editing, sound, cinematography, etc.) and the development of the film industry. In addition, some consideration will be given to non-traditional films and filmmaking such as the avant-garde and art cinema, and notions of national and world cinemas will be introduced. Includes weekly screenings of important cinematic texts, including foreign films subtitled in English. Students may receive credit for ENG 217 or CLT 217, but not for both. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Kercher/Three credits

CLT 225  DANTE'S COMEDY
Close reading and discussion of Dante Alighieri's Divine Comedy in translation. Particular attention to Dante's life and times in relation to his writing of the Comedy and to significant historical, literary, philosophical, and theological references in the Comedy. Prerequisite: One of the following: LTC 140, LTE 140, ITA 140, SPA 140, or FRE 140. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Le Pain, Bonanno/Three credits

CLT 251  MODERN GERMAN MASTERPIECES
This course is designed to familiarize students with the works of a variety of 20th-century German writers. In addition to such well-established authors as Kafka, Hesse, Mann, and Brecht, more recent writers like Gunter Grass, former East German writer Christa Wolf, and Heinrich Boll, the 1972 Nobel Prize winner for literature, will be discussed. Same as GER 251. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Fall)
Solbakken, Staff/Three credits

CLT 266  ITALIAN CINEMA
The course provides an introduction to Italian cinema. Students will explore the nature of neorealism, the hallmark of the Italian cinematic tradition, through an examination of the development of the film industry, the socio-historical situation, and the literary tradition within the Italian peninsula. The study of neorealism, which involves discussion of directed readings and screenings of classics by Rossellini, De Sica, and Visconti, provides a basis for the examination of ensuing movements and Italian “auteurs,” such as Fellini, Antonioni, Bertolucci, Pasolini, and others. Films may be screened at times other than regular class meetings when running times are extended. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Bonanno/Three credits

CLT 276  WOMEN AND FILM
This course seeks to understand the role of women in cinema, both as makers of film and as objects of the camera. It explores the history of women as directors, scriptwriters, and entrepreneurs—among other positions—especially during the early years of the film industry. Students analyze important critical essays on how films represent female sexuality and interpret films in light of these readings. Special attention is given to issues of melodrama and spectatorship. Films from both Hollywood and world cinema are screened to enable students to appreciate the critique of representations of women in different cultures. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Spring)
Kercher/Three credits

CLT/HIS/PSY/SOC 285  WOMEN’S STUDIES I: IMAGES
This course is an introduction to the study of women. The course will develop a coherent, integrated view of women and their roles, emphasize the full range of contributions of and the limited opportunities for women, examine and appraise the experiences of women, and critically examine the thinking about women at various times and from various perspectives. The basic approach is interdisciplinary and the
concentration of the course is on women in North America from the 19th century to the present. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

Choquette, Edmonds, Farough, Gazin-Schwartz, Kisatsky, Leone

Three credits

CLT 299 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Subject and/or authors studied to be chosen with approval of professor. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

Staff

Three credits

FRENCH (FRE)
All courses, whether lower-division or upper-division, are conducted largely or entirely in French, unless otherwise specified.

FRE 101 FRENCH I
For students with no previous knowledge of French or who need a review of basic vocabulary and grammatical components. The emphasis in this course is on speaking and oral comprehension. Work with video and audio tapes. (Fall)

Staff

Three credits

FRE 102 FRENCH II
Continuation of French I, aimed at developing students' language skills: oral comprehension and expression, reading, and writing. Work with video and audio tapes. Prerequisite: French 101, one or two years of high school French, or equivalent (Spring)

Staff

Three credits

FRE 103 FRENCH III
Continued development of communicative competency in the French language. The course will stress a review of French grammar, and correct pronunciation and comprehension of the spoken language. Prerequisite: French 102, two or three years of high school French, or equivalent. (Fall)

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 104 FRENCH IV
A continuation of French III with an introduction to more advanced aspects of French grammar, as well as readings, skits, videos, and conversation practice. French films will be used to promote discussion and as a basis for written assignments. For students who have completed FRE 103 or an equivalent course. (Fall and Spring)

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 120 FRENCH V: CONVERSATIONAL FRENCH AND GRAMMAR REVIEW
This course is designed for students who wish to enhance their proficiency in French. It will develop students' oral skills while providing a review of grammatical structures. Literary and cultural texts and film will be used to promote discussion and as a basis for written assignments. Prerequisite: FRE 104 or equivalent.

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 140 INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE: FRENCH LANGUAGE
This course is designed to acquaint the student with the form and structure of the various genres of literature through the close reading and analysis of selections from French prose, poetry, and drama. Prerequisite: FRE 120 or equivalent. This course fulfills the Core requirement in Literature.

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 240 TECHNIQUES OF TRANSLATION
Readings, discussion, written exercises, and translation of selected texts designed to make the student aware of the major stylistic differences between the French and English languages. Includes a review of advanced grammatical structures. Prerequisite: FRE 140 or equivalent.

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 251 MAIN CURRENTS OF FRENCH LITERATURE I
Reading and analysis of works representative of the most significant currents in French literature from Chanson de Roland to Voltaire. Prerequisite: FRE 140. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Fall)

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 252 MAIN CURRENTS OF FRENCH LITERATURE II
Reading and analysis of works representative of the most significant currents in French literature from Chateaubriand to Camus. Prerequisite: FRE 140. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. (Fall)

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 301 ADVANCED FRENCH COMPOSITION
The purpose of the course is to learn to write clear and accurate French, as well as to develop effective compositional technique for narrative or persuasive essays. Selected prose passages are studied as written models. Prerequisite: FRE 251 or 252, or permission.

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 302 ADVANCED FRENCH ORAL EXPRESSION
An advanced course for students who desire greater fluency while continuing to increase their proficiency in pronunciation and intonation. (Fall) Prerequisite: any Main Currents course.

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 310 FRENCH CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION
An analysis of what constitutes the French way of life as seen in the arts, the social structure, the philosophy, and the history of France from the French Revolution to the present. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course.

Zielonka

Three credits

FRE 313 FRANCOPHONE AFRICAN LITERATURE
This course will study the works of literature, written in French, in the countries of Africa that were part of
the colonial empire of France and achieved their independence around 1960. Readings will include works of fiction and poetry from North Africa (a region known as the Maghreb): Morocco, Tunisia and Algeria, as well as from Sub-Saharan Africa: Mali, Senegal, Cameroon, Guinea, the Congo, and Ivory Coast. The course also examines the colonial history of the French presence in Africa, the struggles for independence, and major developments in literature, society and culture, including film, since then. A consistent theme is the search for an identity, amid the diversity and fragmentation of post-colonial Africa, and the many social and political problems that persist there. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Pre-requisite: any Main Currents course.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 332 MOLIERE, RACINE, AND CORNEILLE: MASTERPIECES OF FRENCH THEATRE
Students will study plays by the great classical dramatists: Corneille, Moliere, and Racine. Close readings of the plays will alternate with general discussions of theatrical conventions of the 17th Century and comparisons between playwrights. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 350 ROMANTICISM
In this course students will discover one of the most influential movements in French literature: Romanticism. Marketing a reaction against the Classicism of the previous two centuries, this movement dominated the French literary scene in the first half of the 19th century. The course will begin by tracing the origins of Romanticism in certain works of the late 18th century, before embarking on the study of representative Romantic texts in all three literary genres: poetry, prose and theater. In addition, we will look at Romantic characteristics in the art and music of the period. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. (This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.)
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 354 19TH-CENTURY FRENCH FICTION
Close reading of representative novels of the 19th century, with emphasis on the works of Balzac, Stendhal, Flaubert, and Zola. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 361 20TH-CENTURY DRAMA
Close reading of representative plays of the 20th century by authors such as Claudel, Giraudoux, Anouilh, Sartre, Ionesco, and Beckett. Discussion of theatrical and dramatic techniques characteristic of each playwright. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 364 CONTEMPORARY FRENCH FICTION
Close reading and analysis of works representative of the most significant currents of modern and contemporary prose fiction in France from Gide and Proust to the “nouveau roman.” Prerequisite: any Main Currents class. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 366 TOPICS IN FRENCH CINEMA
The main aims of this course will be to use French cinema to improve students’ knowledge of and interest in French culture and history, to discuss how films can portray historical events, and to think about the techniques and aesthetics of film-making. Films used in the course will illustrate different aspects of French culture and give a picture of contemporary life at the time in which they are set. Some may center on important social or historical moments. Topics may vary by semester. In addition to viewing seven or eight movies, students will read several short historical and literary texts concerning the periods covered by the films. The course will be conducted in French. Prerequisite: FRE 251 or 252. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 390 INTRODUCTION TO FRENCH POETRY
A close reading of representative poems. The course includes some selections from the Middle Ages and 16th/17th centuries, but concentrates mostly on poetry of the 19th and 20th centuries. Characteristics of different poets and different poetic movements will be analyzed. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 392 EXPLICATION DE TEXTE
Explication of texts as practiced in France: detailed study and interpretation of short selections from French literature. Half of the texts studied will be poems, but we will also analyze prose passages and a play. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. (This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.)
Zielonka/Three credits

FRE 401–409 SPECIAL TOPICS
Staff/Three credits

FRE 401–409 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Subject and/or authors studied to be chosen with approval of professor.
Staff/Three credits
GERMAN (GER)

All courses, whether lower-division or upper-division, are conducted largely or entirely in German, unless otherwise specified.

GER 101 GERMAN I
An introduction to the German language aimed at developing beginning skills in oral comprehension and expression, reading, and writing. Three hours of class work with tapes and computer software. (Fall)
Solbakken/Three credits

GER 102 GERMAN II
Continuation of German I. Aimed at further developing the language skills. Three hours of class work with tapes and computer software. Prerequisite: German 101 or equivalent. (Spring)
Solbakken/Three credits

GER 103 GERMAN III
Systematic review of grammar. Graded readings. Three hours of class. Prerequisite: GER 102 or equivalent. (Fall)
Solbakken/Three credits

GER 104 GERMAN IV
Systematic review of grammar. Graded readings. Three hours of class. Prerequisite: GER 103 or equivalent. (Spring)
Solbakken/Three credits

GER 251 MODERN GERMAN MASTERPIECES
This course is designed to familiarize students with the works of a variety of 20th-Century German writers. In addition to such well-established authors as Kafka, Hesse, Mann, and Brecht, more recent writers like Gunter Grass, former East German writer Christa Wolf, and Heinrich Boll, the 1972 Nobel Prize winner for literature, will be discussed. Students of German will be expected to do some of the work in German. Same as CLT 251. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Solbakken/Three credits

GRK 102 GREEK II
A continuation of Elementary Greek with increased attention to cultural material. Prerequisite: Greek 101 or equivalent (Spring)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

GRK 201 GREEK III
Review of basic grammar and introduction to the more advanced points of Greek syntax. Selected readings from Plato's *Apology of Socrates*. The completion of Greek 101–102, or—with permission of instructor—one year of high school Greek is required for admission.
Catto/Three credits

GRK 202 GREEK IV
The class will read selections from the tragedies of Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides, or the comedies of Aristophanes. Open to students who have completed Greek 201. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.
Catto, Staff/Three credits

GRK 301 SPECIAL TOPICS
Catto/Three credits

GRK 310 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Area and/or authors studied to be chosen by student with approval of professor.
Catto/Three credits

ITALIAN (ITA)

ITA 101 ITALIAN I
An introduction to the Italian language aimed at developing from the beginning the language skills: oral comprehension and expression, reading, and writing. Work with tapes. (Fall)
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

ITA 102 ITALIAN II
A continuation of Italian I. Aimed at developing further the language skills through oral/aural drills and graded readings. Work with tapes. Prerequisite: ITA 101 or equivalent. (Spring)
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

ITA 103 ITALIAN III
For students who wish to develop their knowledge of grammar in order to expand their ability to express themselves both orally and in writing. Work with tapes. Prerequisite: ITA 102 or equivalent. (Fall)
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

ITA 104 ITALIAN IV
Continuation of ITA 103. Prerequisite: Italian 103 or equivalent (Spring)
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits
ITA 120  ITALIAN V: CONVERSATIONAL ITALIAN AND GRAMMAR REVIEW
This course is designed for students who wish to enhance their proficiency in Italian. The main points of Italian grammar will be reviewed and expanded through traditional exercises and conversations on current topics. Italian news as well as magazine articles and literary excerpts will be used. Prerequisite: ITA 104 or equivalent. (Fall)
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

ITA 140  INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE: ITALIAN LANGUAGE
This course is designed to introduce students to the form and structure of various genres of literature through the close reading and analysis of selections from Italian prose, poetry, and drama. Prerequisite: ITA 120 or equivalent. This course fulfills the Core requirement in Literature.
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

ITA 160  ITALIAN CIVILIZATION AND CULTURE
This course introduces students to various aspects of Italian culture, including geographical regions, politics, film, art, music, social issues, and other elements of Italian civilization. Prerequisite: ITA 120 or equivalent.
Bonanno/Three credits

ITA 295  SPECIAL TOPICS
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

ITA 299  INDEPENDENT STUDY
Subject and/or authors studied to be chosen with approval of professor.
Bonanno, Staff/Three credits

LATIN (LAT)

LAT 101  LATIN I
An introduction to Latin language, literature, and culture. Emphasis on the grammatical structures and vocabulary which will enable the student to read Latin texts with understanding and facility. (Fall)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

LAT 102  LATIN II
A continuation of Latin I with increased reading of narrative passages and an introduction to cultural material. Prerequisite: LAT 102 or equivalent (Spring)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

LAT 201  LATIN III
For the student who wishes to increase the facility and accuracy with which he/she reads classical Latin. The class will consist of review of grammar and readings which focus on the daily lives of Romans of the first centuries B.C. and A.D. Readings will be drawn from the prose letters of Cicero and Pliny, and the poetry of Catullus, Horace, and Martial. Prerequisite: LAT 101–102, or at least two years of high school Latin. This course fulfills the Humanities Core Curriculum requirement. (Fall)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

LAT 202  LATIN IV
The class will read selections from the poetry of the Golden Period of Latin literature. Readings will be drawn primarily from the epics of Lucretius and Vergil, and will focus on the themes of creation and foundations. Prerequisite: LAT 201 or by permission of the professor. This course fulfills the Humanities Core Curriculum requirement. (Spring)
Catto, Staff/Three credits

LAT 301  ADVANCED READINGS IN LATIN LITERATURE
Extensive reading from major authors drawn from the following categories: Roman drama, epic, historians, oratory, philosophy, satire, and elegiac, lyric, and pastoral poetry. Readings will change each semester in accordance with the interests of the students. Prerequisites: LAT 201 and 202, or by permission of the professor. This course fulfills the Humanities Core Curriculum requirement.
Catto, Staff/Three credits

LAT 310  INDEPENDENT STUDY
Subject and/or authors studied to be chosen with approval of professor.
Catto, Staff/Three credits

LINGUISTICS (LIN)

LIN 101  INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS
An introduction to the basic theory, methods, and findings of modern linguistics, with an emphasis on language as a system of human knowledge. Topics include animal communication, language acquisition, the structure of sounds, words, and sentences, meaning, and language variation and change. Open to freshmen with permission of instructor. This course fulfills the social science Core Curriculum requirement.
Staff/Three credits

LIN 221  SOCIOLINGUISTICS
The dynamics of language as a social and cultural phenomenon. Importance of the various groups speakers belong to (social class, ethnic group, sex, age, occupation and geographic area, for example), and what speakers do on particular communicative occasions (the interrelations of speaker, addressee, audience, topic, channel, and setting). This course fulfills the social science Core Curriculum requirement.
Staff/Three credits

LIN 391  SPECIAL TOPICS IN LINGUISTICS
Designed to permit the study of a selected topic which may change each time the course is offered. Offered when warranted.
Staff/Three credits
LIN 399  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN LINGUISTICS
Staff/Three credits

LNG 101 & LNG 102  SPECIAL OFFERINGS IN LANGUAGES
First and second semester of languages other than those taught regularly in the Department, such as Chinese.
Staff/Three credits

SPANISH (SPA)
All courses, whether lower-division or upper-division, are conducted largely or entirely in Spanish, unless otherwise specified.

SPA 101  SPANISH I
This beginning course offers students the opportunity to acquire communicative skills in Spanish and to develop an awareness and appreciation of Hispanic cultures. The course provides an integrated approach in which listening, speaking, reading and writing are developed. Basic thematic vocabulary and grammatical structures are covered. This course is intended for students with no prior coursework in Spanish. Prerequisites: None
Staff/Three Credits

SPA 102  SPANISH II
This course is the second part of the beginning sequence offering students the opportunity to expand their knowledge of vocabulary and grammatical structures. The course provides an integrated approach in which listening, speaking, reading and writing are developed. The course fosters awareness of Hispanic cultures through short readings and a variety of oral and written activities. Prerequisites: SPA 101, or one or two years of high school
Staff/Three Credits

SPA 103  SPANISH III
Continued development of communicative competency in Spanish language and Hispanic culture including a variety of media. Prerequisite: SPA 102, or two or three years of high school Spanish, or equivalent. Media fee $15. (Fall and Spring)
Staff/Three credits

SPA 104  SPANISH IV
Integration of all skills. Reading skills using contemporary selections are developed through a process approach. Cultural topics present insights into the characteristics of Hispanic people, art, and literature. Prerequisite: SPA 103 or equivalent. (Fall and Spring)
Staff/Three credits

SPA 120  SPANISH V: CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH AND GRAMMAR REVIEW
This course helps develop oral language competency in Spanish, while increasing vocabulary and reviewing grammatical structures. The main objective is to enable students to understand lectures in the language, converse on everyday topics, read material of average difficulty, and express points of view on current issues with acceptable correctness. Prerequisite: SPA 104 or equivalent. (Fall and Spring)
Guerrero-Watanabe, Loustaunau, Staff/Three credits

SPA 125  BUSINESS SPANISH I
This course enhances the student’s ability to function effectively in an increasingly important commercial language locally, throughout the United States, and abroad. The course provides the student with a solid foundation in Spanish in the vocabulary and discourse used when dealing with the legal constitution of different types of companies, management, banking and accounting, property and equipment, the modern business office and communications, and human resources. The course will also develop the student’s geographic literacy and cultural understanding of the Spanish-speaking world, as these are essential to being able to conduct business successfully in Spanish. The course, to be conducted primarily in Spanish, will include translating and interpreting activities, cross-cultural communication skills used frequently in the world of business and of special importance for managers and leaders who must make informed decisions. Prerequisite: SPA 104 or equivalent.
Kercher/Three credits

SPA 126  BUSINESS SPANISH II
This course enhances the student’s ability to function effectively in an increasingly important commercial language locally, in the United States, and abroad. It provides the student with a solid foundation in Spanish in the vocabulary and discourse used when dealing with goods and services, marketing, finance, foreign market entry, and import-export. The course also develops geographic literacy and cultural understanding of the Spanish-speaking world, as these are central to being able to conduct business successfully in Spanish. The course, to be conducted primarily in Spanish, will also include translating and interpreting activities, language skills frequently used in the world of business and of special importance for managers and leaders who must be able to communicate effectively and make well-informed decisions. Please note that SPA 125 and 126 are not sequential. Prerequisite: SPA 104 or equivalent.
Kercher/Three credits

SPA 140  INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE: SPANISH LANGUAGE
Designed for students to become active readers of literature and develop skills. The students are introduced to the form and structure of various genres of literature through the close reading and analysis of selections from Spanish and Spanish-American prose fiction, poetry, and drama. Prerequisite: SPA 120 or equivalent. This course fulfills the Core requirement in Literature. (Fall and Spring)
Staff/Three credits
SPA 210  PROBLEMS IN SPANISH GRAMMAR
For students at an advanced level who need a systematic review of Spanish morphology and syntax. Emphasis will be placed on special problems such as the use of subjunctive, prepositions, and pronouns, and “ser/estar.” Particular problems of members of the class will also be considered. (Fall) Prerequisite: SPA 140 or equivalent. Staff/Three credits

SPA 220  SPANISH COMPOSITION
Designed to develop skills in descriptive, narrative, and expository writing in Spanish, this course emphasizes the process of writing. It deals with strategies for generating and organizing ideas through pre-writing, composing, writing, and editing. Writing activities help expand and refine grammatical structures, range of vocabulary, and rhetorical techniques. Not open to students who have completed SPA 301. Prerequisite: SPA 140 or equivalent. (Spring) Grijalva, Loustaunau, Staff/Three credits

SPA 251  MAIN CURRENTS OF SPANISH LITERATURE I
A survey of classical Spanish literature from The Cid to Calderon. Students will be introduced to the study of peninsular literature through the reading and analysis of representative selections from the major works produced during this period. Prerequisite: SPA 140. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Staff/Three credits

SPA 252  MAIN CURRENTS OF SPANISH LITERATURE II
A survey of modern Spanish literature from Romanticism to the present. Students will be introduced to the major generic and thematic developments in the literature of this period through the reading and analysis of representative selections from major authors and their works. Prerequisite: SPA 140. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Leone, Staff/Three credits

SPA 253  MAIN CURRENTS OF SPANISH-AMERICAN LITERATURE I
A critical study of literary periods and movements from pre-Columbian literature to the end of Realism and Naturalism. Reading and analysis of representative selections from major works. Not open to students who have taken SPA 256. (Fall) Prerequisite: SPA 140. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Grijalva/Three credits

SPA 254  MAIN CURRENTS OF SPANISH-AMERICAN LITERATURE II
A critical study of the most significant currents in Spanish-American literature from Modernism to the present. Reading and analysis of representative selections from major works. Prerequisite: SPA 140 This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Guerrero-Watanabe, Kercher, Loustaunau/Three credits

SPA 302  ADVANCED SPANISH ORAL EXPRESSION
A systematic study of various forms of public discourse through discussion and debate on controversial issues. Designed for students with a sophisticated command of Spanish who seek to increase their fluency and develop cultural awareness. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Guerrero-Watanabe/Three credits

SPA 310  SPANISH CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION I
General background: history, geography, art, and social structures. Detailed analysis of Medieval, Renaissance, and Golden Age life and culture in Spain. Assigned readings and written reports. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Staff/Three credits

SPA 311  SPANISH CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION II
Modern Spain: detailed analysis of the period following the War for Independence (1808). Special emphasis will be placed on Spain’s political climate, the Civil War of 1936–39, and the post-Franco democratic revival. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Kercher/Three credits

SPA 312  SPANISH-AMERICAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION I
Detailed analysis of the Maya, Aztec, and Inca civilizations, and colonial times through the study of history, art, music, social structure, and thought. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Not open to students who have taken SPA 256. Grijalva/Three credits

SPA 313  SPANISH-AMERICAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION II
Detailed analysis of life and culture during the period of independence, and contemporary times as seen in the intellectual and artistic achievements of the Spanish-American nations. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. Grijalva, Guerrero-Watanabe/Three credits

SPA 317  BORDER IDENTITIES IN SPAIN
This course focuses on the multiplicity of identity in contemporary Spain in the context of political and social changes of the twentieth- and twenty-first centuries. Reading theory and culture, understood as texts and practice, we will examine literature, films, and mass media to consider the identities of nation, class, gender, sexuality, and ethnicity. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Leone/Three credits

SPA 365  CONTEMPORARY SPANISH NOVEL
Close reading and analysis of prose works by 20th and 21st-Century Spanish authors. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum. Leone/Three credits
SPQA 366  TOPICS IN SPANISH CINEMA
This course presents issues of Spanish culture and history through close analysis and discussion of films of major Spanish directors from the 1950s to the present. Topics will vary by semester. This course is taught in Spanish. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 380  LATIN AMERICAN CHRONICLES
In this course students will learn about how urban life, violence, and modern cities have been represented by journalist-literary writers in Latin America. We will discuss the relationship between literature and journalism, and between chronicles and other literary genres. In addition, students will examine some works of the “New Journalism” in the United States and its influence over Latin American writers. Intensive Spanish writing will be a major requirement. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 381  CONTEMPORARY SPANISH AMERICAN DRAMA
Close reading and analysis of representative playwrights from the second half of the 20th century to the present. The focus will be on significant movements in Spanish-American theater. The playwrights discussed will be those who have been responsive to world currents and to the cultural and social developments of their countries. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 384  MAGICAL REALISM AND THE LITERATURE OF THE FANTASTIC
Magical realism refers to a specific set of narrative works by Latin American writers in the second half of the twentieth century. This course will develop a more comprehensive understanding of this literary movement by analyzing a key number of primary texts along with all the pertinent literary criticism and theory. The textual strategies and techniques that help define these works include the use of rich, detailed language designed to create a realistic setting and characters in the story. The element of magic or the supernatural then enters or manifests itself in this seemingly “real” literary landscape. Although the texts incorporate these bursts of the unexplained, the main body of the text always follows a mimetic approach to fictional production. Our study of these fantastic texts will begin with a discussion of possible precursors of the movement, such as the Argentineans Jorge Borges and Julio Cortázar, and then move on to more seminal texts like Cien años de soledad by Gabriel García Márquez and Eva Luna by Isabel Allende. In the last few weeks, students will have the opportunity to analyze more recent texts to see how magical realism affects current modes of literary production. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 386  LATIN AMERICAN CINEMA
This course focuses on key films of the last sixty years from the major national film industries of Latin America, foremost Mexico, Cuba and Argentina. It explores how these films interpret important socio-historical and cultural issues, such as development, national identity, class, gender, and ethnicity. This course also introduces the student to basic sequence analysis and film vocabulary in Spanish. The course is taught in Spanish. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 387  MODERNISMO
A comparative study of Modernismo in Spanish-American poetry and its manifestations in Spain, with an emphasis on the work of Martí Nájera, Darío, Silva, Lugones, Chocano, Reissig, the Machados, Jiménez, and Valle-Inclán. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 396  SPANISH-AMERICAN/LATINA WOMEN WRITERS
This course explores the work of Spanish-American women writers and Latina writers of the United States. The main objective is to examine key authorial strategies as they relate to race and gender issues, class distinction, ideology, social conventions, and cultural identities. Students read literary texts by Sor Juana, Avellaneda, Castellanos, Pomiatowska, Allende, Ferré Gambaro, Menchú Cisneros, Prida, and Agosín, among others, along with selected critical studies. Readings vary by semester. Prerequisite: any Main Currents course. This course satisfies the Humanities requirement in the Core curriculum.

SPA 401–409  SPECIAL TOPICS IN SPANISH
Staff/Three credits

SPA 410–419  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN SPANISH
Subject and/or authors studied to be chosen with approval of professor.
Staff/Three credits
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES


MISSION STATEMENT
The Department of Natural Sciences is dedicated to preparing students to live and work in a changing world by ensuring competency in the natural sciences and scientific inquiry. The department strives to provide a basic understanding of classical and contemporary scientific concepts in these areas. While developing an understanding of the scientific process and its application, the following critical skills are stressed: observation, inquiry, data collection, analysis, communication, and correlation of scientific concepts. The department prepares students for careers and professional opportunities in the sciences as well as for life-long learning in the context of a liberal arts curriculum in the Catholic tradition.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY AND CAREER OPTIONS
The Department of Natural Sciences offers majors in Biology, Biology with a Concentration in Neuroscience and Behavior, Biotechnology and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, and Environmental Science with a Concentration in Environmental Policy. The Department also offers minors in Biology, Environmental Science, Chemistry, and Physics, and it co-sponsors a concentration in Physical and Occupational Therapy with the Department of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies. Research opportunities are available at the College and at nearby institutions (e.g., University of Massachusetts Medical School and the Biotechnology Park). Students interested in teaching science in the public school system should work with a science faculty member and a member of the Education Department in planning their course of study. The Department also offers courses for non-majors.

Students who want to pursue careers in medicine, dentistry or one of the many other health professions must complete the necessary prerequisites for admission to the health professions schools of their choice. These individuals should consult their academic advisors and the Health Professions Advisor (Dr. Steven Theroux) when designing their course of study. The Health Professions Program helps students meet the admissions requirements for these professional programs. The Department has agreements with several different institutions that offer degrees in the health professions. Students interested in Allopathic or Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatric Medicine, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Optometry, Physician Assistant Studies, Nursing, or Biotechnology should discuss these agreements with the Health Professions Advisor, Professor Steven Theroux.

The College has established a collaborative program of study in Engineering with the University of Notre Dame. Students spend three years at Assumption College completing foundational courses in math and science before transferring to Notre Dame to complete engineering studies. Interested students should contact Professor Joseph Alfano in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science.

The College also has agreements with several graduate schools. In conjunction with Duke University we offer combined BA and Master’s degree programs in Environmental Science Management and Forestry Management. There are several options for students interested in the legal profession, especially those interested in practicing environmental law or intellectual property law. Science students interested in the learning more about all of these programs should see Professor Steven Theroux.

The Department offers a post-graduate program for those who have a bachelor’s degree in an area other than Biology and who are interested in pursuing admission to a health professions program (e.g., medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, etc.) Details about this certificate program can be obtained from the Health Professions Advisor, Dr. Steven Theroux.

Students who graduate with an undergraduate degree in science can pursue employment in industry, government, or in an educational setting. Some of our students pursue graduate studies in science, one of the health professions, business or law. Upon the completion of the appropriate graduate program our students can pursue research careers in environmental management, or in the biotechnology, pharmaceutical and chemical industries. They can also develop careers in elementary, secondary and higher education, or in the health professions, business management, government, or legal profession.

MAJOR IN BIOLOGY
A Major in Biology teaches students how to investigate and appreciate the unity of function that underlies the diversity of life forms. Lectures encourage students to synthesize the best of classical and contemporary ideas in Biology. Laboratory work gives students technical expertise, and helps them to observe, ask questions, test hypotheses, analyze results, and present their conclusions orally and in writing. Elective courses provide a guided choice of
advanced study in Biology and related areas. Students may participate in seminars, independent study, internships and summer research. With its flexibility, the major prepares students for careers in industry, education, and the health professions. The major also prepares students for further study in graduate and professional schools.

Required Courses (16)
Biology majors should take CHE 131 and BIO 160 in their first semester.

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Electives
Four additional three or four credit electives from Biology at the 200-level or above, or CHE 414 Biochemistry, or BIO 480 Seminar in the Life Sciences. At least one course must be at the 400-level. A maximum of two independent studies (i.e., BIO 490 and 491) courses may be taken. Additional independent study credits will count toward degree requirements but will not count toward the major in Biology.

MAJOR IN BIOLOGY WITH A CONCENTRATION IN NEUROSCIENCE AND BEHAVIOR
This concentration introduces students to neuroscience and biological and psychological rationales for behavior. It is ideal for individuals interested in obtaining a strong foundation in biology while pursuing an interdisciplinary approach to study of human behavior. Students who choose this concentration are also encouraged to do internships or independent studies in laboratories studying neurobiology or the biological basis of behavior. Individuals who complete the requirements of the major will be prepared to pursue work in the biotechnology and pharmacology industries or in other life science organizations. They will also be eligible to pursue graduate studies in neuroscience or the health professions.

Required Courses (17)
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<td>BIO 490–491</td>
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MINOR IN BIOLOGY
Students who wish to pursue the study of life forms and functions may elect a minor in Biology. This course of study may appeal to students majoring in the behavioral sciences who plan a career in a health-related field. Ordinarily the student will begin with BIO 160 Concepts in Biology, adding at least four Biology courses numbered above 200 in consultation with an advisor from the department. Courses taken below BIO 160 require the approval of the Department Chairperson.
MAJOR IN BIOTECHNOLOGY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Biotechnology has developed around the study of living things at the molecular level. The chemistry of genetics has found applications in medicine and industry. Techniques of molecular genetics have allowed dramatic advances in our understanding of developmental biology, physiology, immunology, and evolution. This major provides a balanced foundation in biology, plus an introduction to the theory and methods of biotechnology and molecular biology. Students in the major are encouraged to do internships at biotechnology laboratories in the Worcester area. When they graduate, students can pursue graduate study in the biological sciences or in the health sciences. The major is also excellent preparation for a teaching career or employment in a biotechnology-based field.

Required Courses (17)

Biotechnology and Molecular Biology majors should take CHE 131 and BIO 160 in their first semester.

BIO 160 Concepts in Biology
BIO 210 Genetics
BIO 250 Microbiology
BIO 340 Molecular and Cellular Biology
BIO 440 Biotechnology: Theory and Practice
CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I & II
CHE 201–202 Organic Chemistry I & II
CHE 414 Biochemistry
MAT 114 (or higher) Elementary Functions (or higher)
PHY 201–202 General Physics I & II

Electives

Three additional three- or four-credit electives in Biology from level 200 or above. A maximum of two of these electives can be selected from internships or BIO 490 or 491. Additional internship or independent study credits will count toward degree requirements but will not count toward the major in Biology. Strongly Recommended (but not required)

PHI 321 Biomedical Ethics

MAJOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Human modification of the environment has been evident since the beginning of civilization and has proceeded at an ever-accelerating rate from the Industrial Revolution to the present day. Human activities have affected the soil, water, vegetation, climate, animal life, and even the surface of the earth itself. An awareness of environmental deterioration has forced us to seek remedies. Thus, there is a need for men and women trained to recognize, quantify, and seek solutions for environmental problems. This major gives students a broad foundation in the fundamentals of environmental science, including chemistry, biology, physics, and mathematics. Students can use the options within the major to focus on one aspect of the field, such as resource conservation, environmental policy, or toxic materials. To insure the best choice and scheduling of courses, close cooperation between students and their faculty advisors is crucial. Students interested in this major are eligible to take courses off campus through the Massachusetts Marine Biology Consortium, the Duke University Marine Biology Consortium, and the Colleges of Worcester Consortium.

After graduation, students can seek employment in government agencies or industry, or they can pursue graduate studies in environmental engineering, environmental science, environmental management, law, education or the health sciences. To facilitate entry into these areas of study the College has established agreements that allow qualified Assumption Environmental Science students to earn a B.S. in Environmental Engineering from The University of Notre Dame, a M.S. in Environmental Management or Forestry Management from Duke University (world-renowned for its work in Environmental Science), or a J.D. in Environmental Law from the Vermont Law School (which U.S. News and World Report currently ranks as the nation’s leading environmental law program).

Required Courses (17)

Environmental science majors should take CHE 131 and BIO 160 in their first semester.

ENV 120 Environmental History of New England
ENV 150 Introduction to Environmental Science
ENV 480 Environmental Science Seminar
BIO 160 Concepts in Biology
BIO 360 Ecology
CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I & II
CHE 201–202 Organic Chemistry I & II
CHE 318 Environmental Chemistry
MAT 117 Calculus I
OR
MAT 131 Honors Calculus I
PHY 201–202 Physics I & II
ECO 115 Statistics
OR
PSY 265 Statistics

One of the following

GEO 101 Physical Oceanography
GEO 103 Introduction to Meteorology
PHY 213 Introduction to Engineering Problem Solving
ENV 350  Wetlands (consortium)  
Limnology/Aquatic Ecology (consortium)

One of the following
BIO 220  Invertebrate Zoology
BIO 230  Botany
BIO 250  Microbiology
BIO 350  Marine Mammals: Biology and Conservation

One of the following
ECO 235  Environmental Economics
GEO 134  Conservation of Natural Resources
GEO 252  Land Use and Planning Law
POL 321  Public Policy
ENV 260  Water Resources Planning and Management
ENV 280  Coastal Zone Management (consortium)
Geographical Information Systems (consortium)

One additional 300 or above elective
Students can choose from courses listed above which haven't fulfilled a section requirement, as well as ENV 491 Environmental Science Independent Study, CHE 315 Analytical Chemistry, CHE 450 Instrumental Analysis, BIO 310 Animal Behavior, or an approved Worcester consortium course.

MAJOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE WITH A CONCENTRATION IN ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
This concentration introduces students to the principles and theories used to develop public policies for the conservation of natural resources. The program is designed for students who hope to make a substantial contribution to the development of green technologies and a sustainable environment. The concentration combines rigorous coursework in environmental science with interdisciplinary studies in environmental policy.

After graduation, individuals with this concentration can pursue graduate study in Environmental Science or seek employment in government agencies or industry (see the Assumption College/Duke University programs described below for an example of the type of graduate programs that environmental science majors may pursue). The major is also excellent preparation for a career in teaching, law, or the health sciences.

Ideally, students should take CHE 131 and ENV 120 or 150 in the fall semester of their first year and CHE 132 and BIO 160 in the spring. Students should choose the remaining required courses in consultation with their academic advisor. Students who choose this major after their first year should consult their academic advisor before registering for classes.

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An environmental policy course approved by the Department of Natural Sciences chairperson. This course can come from the offerings at Assumption, the Massachusetts Marine Biology Consortium, the Duke University Marine Biology Consortium, or the Worcester Colleges Consortium (please consult your advisor for more information).

A GIS course offered through the consortium (strongly recommended, see your advisor or the Department Chairperson for more details).

MINOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
Students may expand their study of environmental problems with a Minor in Environmental Science. This program will appeal to students who have an interest in the science behind environmental issues.

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MAJOR IN CHEMISTRY
Assumption College offers two tracks of study in Chemistry: the traditional bachelor's degree program and an American Chemical Society (ACS)-approved bachelor's degree program. The objective of both is to provide the student with knowledge of the fundamental principles governing the structure of matter. The courses are organized to establish a foundation in the basic areas of inorganic, organic, physical, biochemistry, and analytical chemistry, and to develop an understanding of the unity of Chemistry by relating these basic areas to each other and to other scientific disciplines. The laboratories are designed to develop a degree of proficiency in the practical aspects of experimentation and instrumentation.

Through a well-planned choice of electives, a student can prepare for graduate study in chemistry, biochemistry, or some other area of science; for industrial employment; for teaching Chemistry; or for professional study in medicine, dentistry, or other health sciences. Qualified chemistry majors may also pursue a dual degree program leading to a B.A. in Chemistry from Assumption College and a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from The University of Notre Dame. Interested students should contact Professor Joseph Alfano. The University of Notre Dame program and other affiliated programs are described at http://www.assumption.edu/academics/programs/academic-partnerships.

Required Courses (16)
Chemistry majors should take CHE 131 and BIO 160 in their first semester.

First Year:
- BIO 160 Concepts in Biology
- CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I and II
- MAT 117–118 Calculus I and II
- OR
- MAT 131–132 Honors Calculus I and I

Sophomore:
- CHE 201–202 Organic Chemistry I and II
- PHY 201–202 General Physics I and II

Junior:
- CHE 311–312 Physical Chemistry I and II

Junior/Senior:
- CHE 315 Analytical Chemistry
- CHE 316 Inorganic Chemistry
- CHE 414 Biochemistry

Electives:
Two additional three- or four-credit courses from among: CHE 318, CHE 416, CHE 450, CHE 460, CHE 470, CHE 480, CHE 491–492. At least one of the electives must include a lab. Only one Independent Study course (CHE 491 or CHE 492) or Internship may be counted towards the Chemistry Elective requirement.

AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY CERTIFICATION
The American Chemical Society (ACS) Certification option serves as evidence that a graduate has completed a rigorous program in chemistry approved by a national scientific organization. Employers and graduate schools recognize ACS certification as a sign of the high quality of a student's preparation for employment or further study in the chemical sciences. Completion of the ACS Certified program is determined by the department.

In addition to completing the Chemistry major as described above, students wishing to receive ACS certification must:
- Complete PHY 201H–202H, the Honors versions of General Physics I and II
- Take CHE 450 (Instrumental Chemistry) as one of their chemistry electives.
- Take a course that includes a lab component for their other chemistry elective.
- Complete at least 3 credits of laboratory research.

MINOR IN CHEMISTRY (8)
Students who wish to pursue the study of the structure of matter beyond the level of an introductory may elect to minor in Chemistry. Required courses:
- CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I and II
- CHE 201–202 Organic Chemistry I and II
- CHE 311 Physical Chemistry I
- MAT 117–118 or MAT 131–132 Calculus I and II
One course in Analytical Chemistry
CHE 315 Analytical Chemistry
CHE 316 Inorganic Chemistry
CHE 450 Instrumental Chemistry

MINOR IN PHYSICS (6)
Students interested in furthering their knowledge of physics can choose to minor in this discipline. Required courses for the minor are: PHY 201–202, and PHY 480. Students must also complete three of the following eight courses (no more than two of the three can be from the mathematics offerings): CHE 311, CHE 312, PHY 213, PHY 275, PHY 491, PHY 492, MAT 331, MAT 351, MAT 355.

STUDENT RESEARCH—SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES
Department faculty members oversee research programs on campus that engage upper-level students in the projects associated with their research interests. Summer research positions that provide a stipend are available on a competitive basis. A growing number of Assumption students have been accepted into prestigious summer research programs at major research institutions around the country. The sponsoring institutions for this research include the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the American Cancer Society, and the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

PREPARATION FOR TEACHING SCIENCE AT THE SECONDARY LEVEL
Students interested in seeking certification to teach high school biology or chemistry should consider a Major in Biology or Chemistry and a concentration in Secondary Education. Application to the Concentration in Education Program in the Education Department must be made by the Spring of the Sophomore year. The Massachusetts Department of Education requires the successful completion of course work or other experience which addresses the field of knowledge competency areas listed below. Suggested courses are shown in parentheses. Students must also meet the Professional Standards for Teaching which are addressed in the appropriate education courses, as well as in the student teaching experience. To ensure all these areas are covered, a student should carefully plan a course of study in conjunction with advisors in both departments (Education and Natural Sciences).

Biology – Field of Knowledge Competencies:
BIO 160 Concepts in Biology
BIO 210 Genetics
BIO 230 Botany
BIO 220 Zoology
BIO 240 Mammalian Anatomy
BIO 370 General Physiology
BIO 360 Ecology
CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I and II

Chemistry – Field of Knowledge Competencies:
CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I and II
CHE 201–202 Organic Chemistry I and II
CHE 316 Inorganic Chemistry
CHE 315 Analytical Chemistry
CHE 311–312 Physical Chemistry I and II
PHY 201–202 Physics I and II
MAT 117–118 Calculus I and II
OR
MAT 131–132 Honors Calculus I and II

PRE-MEDICAL/PRE-DENTAL
As a liberal arts college, Assumption offers students the knowledge necessary for entrance to and success in medical and/or dental school. Most students interested in pursuing a career in Medicine or Dentistry major in Biology, however, it is possible to choose other majors and still prepare for such a career. Although there is no universal standard for medical school admissions, most school requirements would be fulfilled by inclusion of the following courses:
- BIO 160 Concepts in Biology
- Select at least one from the following three Biology courses:
  - BIO 210 Genetics
  - BIO 240 Mammalian Anatomy
  - BIO 340 Molecular and Cellular Biology
- CHE 131–132 General Chemistry I and II
- CHE 201–202 Organic Chemistry I and II
- PHY 201–202 General Physics I and II
- ENG 130 English Composition
- LIT 140 Introduction to Literature

Additional courses that are usually highly recommended include:
- CHE 414 Biochemistry
- MAT 117 Calculus I or MAT 131 Honors Calculus I
- ECO 115 Statistics
- Courses in Psychology, and Computer Science
- Additional courses in Biology, Chemistry, and Mathematics are helpful.

Note these courses reflect a suggested course load. Students should contact their desired schools and Dr. Steven Theroux before committing to a plan of study.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAM
The Health Professions Program is designed to help students enter graduate school in one of the health professions (Medicine, Dentistry, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physician’s Assistant, etc.). The program focuses on preparing the student to earn good grades and strong scores on the admissions test and graduate school interview. Those who complete the program requirements will have the fact that they did so listed on their transcript. All students
interested in a health profession should consult with their advisors and Dr. Steven Theroux, Chairperson of the Health Sciences Committee, at the beginning of their undergraduate careers.

To complete the "Health Professions Program", the student must:

• successfully finish a major in Biology; Biology with a Concentration in Neuroscience and Behavior; Biotechnology and Molecular Biology; Chemistry; Psychology, Psychology with a Concentration in Brain, Cognition and Behavior; or Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies
• complete the required coursework with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better overall and a GPA of 3.0 or better in the major
• complete the 'Social, Economic and Ethical Issues in the Health Professions' course
• submit at least one list of prerequisite courses required for a specific health-related graduate program to which he or she intends to apply
• submit a statement indicating that the prerequisite courses required for admission to a particular health professions graduate program were successfully completed
• present evidence from Kaplan that he or she successfully completed a Kaplan Test Preparation Course (e.g., MCAT, DAT, OAT, VCAT, PCAT, GRE, etc.). (The exact course that the student completes will vary depending on the graduate program the individual hopes to enter.)*
• present evidence that he or she took a graduate admissions test (e.g., MCAT, DAT, GRE, etc.) and scored in the top 50% of those taking the test in that year.

*Please note that the Kaplan preparation courses are being offered on campus at reduced rates. In addition, financial aid is available to further reduce the costs.

Students who plan to pursue a graduate degree in a health profession should be aware of the timetable in which to fulfill their requirements, which include admissions exams and letters of reference from the Health Sciences Committee. Students should be prepared for entrance exams in their Junior year and request a letter of reference at that time as well. Students must contact Dr. Theroux at least two weeks before the scheduled Committee meeting times in the second week of October, the second week of February, and the second week of May. The letters will usually be ready within four to five weeks of the meeting.

THE CONCENTRATION IN OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY

The minimal entry-level degree for practice as an Occupational or Physical Therapist is a clinical masters degree in the appropriate discipline. The Concentration in Occupational and Physical Therapy is designed to prepare students for graduate study in Physical or Occupational Therapy.

The concentration is not a major, and all students completing the concentration must also complete the requirements of a major prior to graduation. A student may complete any major while also completing the concentration. Students interested in Occupational or Physical Therapy usually major in Biology, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies, or Psychology, and many of the courses required for the concentration are also required for completion of these majors.

The concentration has a total of 16 required courses (please see the list below).

Required Courses (16)

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<td>PSY 351</td>
<td>Physiological Psychology</td>
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First semester freshman who want to complete the concentration should enroll in BIO 160, CHE 131, HRS 125, and the appropriate math course (i.e., MAT 114 or MAT 117). First-year students should also consult with the Health Professions Advisor, Dr. Steven Theroux, at the beginning of the fall semester to plan out the remainder of their course of study.
A significant number of hours (as many as 1,000) in fieldwork related to health care may be required for admission to some PT or OT programs. The internship experience required for our program may not provide all of the hours needed to satisfy this requirement. Additional experience can be gained by volunteer work or by acquiring a paid position as a rehabilitation aide. It may also be possible to obtain additional fieldwork experience by completing additional internships within the major.

It is also important to note that some graduate programs have atypical course requirements, and not all Occupational and Physical Therapy graduate programs require every course listed in the concentration. Students who are considering applying to graduate school for Occupational or Physical Therapy should review the admission requirements of the schools they plan to apply to by the beginning of their Junior year to determine how best to prepare for admission to the graduate programs they are interested in.

**Medical Technology Option (Biology Major)**

The Medical Technology Option is designed to offer students the background necessary to apply for admission to a hospital-affiliated school of Medical Technology. This option can be completed in three or four years at Assumption before entering a school of Medical Technology; the three-year program is described here.

During the first three years while the student is at Assumption College, he/she should complete:

- Four courses in Chemistry (including Organic Chemistry)
- Two courses in Physics
- Seven courses in Biology (including Microbiology and Immunology)
- One course in Mathematics (at the level of MAT 114 or above)

In addition, other curriculum requirements to fulfill the Bachelor of Arts program at Assumption must be taken during the first three years of the program when planned in conjunction with a faculty advisor in the Department of Natural Sciences. It is important for a student interested in this option to indicate his/her interest in the first year and to plan the program carefully.

Three years of study (30 courses) as a Biology major at Assumption are followed by one year of training and study in an approved hospital school of Medical Technology. Upon completion of the hospital year, the student will receive a Bachelor's degree in Medical Technology and will be eligible to take the National Registry Exam in Medical Technology.

Participation in Assumption’s undergraduate Medical Technology Option does not guarantee admission to a School of Medical Technology.

**Articulation Agreements in the Science and Health Professions**

Assumption College holds a wide range of agreements with graduate institutions in the health sciences. For a complete list, including agreements with law schools and Notre Dame’s College of Engineering, and more information on the opportunities shown below see the ‘Cooperative Programs of Study and Agreements’ section of the catalog and contact the Health Professions Advisor, Prof. Steven Theroux, stheroux@assumption.edu.

**Des Moines University B.A./Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.)**

Assumption College and Des Moines University School of Osteopathic Medicine have agreed to cooperate to provide an accelerated, seven-year curriculum of undergraduate and professional education leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Biology from Assumption College and the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Des Moines University School of Osteopathic Medicine. Students in the accelerated program finish their premedical coursework at Assumption College in three years. Upon successful completion of their first year at Des Moines University Medical School, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor’s degree in Biology from Assumption College. Admission into the medical school is not guaranteed.

**Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)**

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide at least three seats at their Manchester, NH campus and three seats in their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. To qualify for one of the limited number of guaranteed seats, Assumption students must complete the specified prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats), earn a cumulative GPA of 3.2 in the required prerequisites, and obtain a GPA of 3.2 or higher. Please see the Health Professions Advisor for additional details and requirements.

**Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)**

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide two seats at their Manchester, MA campus and five seats at
their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to enter an accelerated doctoral program in pharmacy. To qualify for admission into this 34-month course of study, Assumption students must complete the required prerequisites with a grade of C or better (no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.4 in the required prerequisites and an overall GPA of 3.4.

**Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (M.S.P.A.S.)**

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide at least one seat at their Manchester, MA campus and one seat at their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies. This is a 24-month program, and to qualify for one of the limited seats, Assumption students must complete the prerequisites with a grade of C or better (with no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.4 in the required prerequisites, an overall GPA of 3.4, and they must pass an interview at MCPHS.

**New York Chiropractic College (NYCC) B.A./Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.)**

There are two options at NYCC for Assumption students interested in pursuing a doctorate in Chiropractic:

- **Traditional Doctoral Program (D.C.)** Five seats are available at NYCC each year for qualified Assumption students who want to enter a doctoral program in Chiropractic.
- **Accelerated Doctoral Program (D.C.)** Qualified Assumption students are also eligible to enter an accelerated program of study at NYCC. This course of study allows qualified students to complete a doctorate in chiropractic in six years of study instead of the typical seven.

**Barry University B.A./Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M.)**

Assumption College and Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine have agreed to cooperate in providing an accelerated, seven-year curriculum of undergraduate and professional education leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Biology from Assumption College and the Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree from Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine. Upon successful completion of their first year at Barry University College of Podiatric Medicine, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the School of Podiatric Medicine is not guaranteed.

**New England College of Optometry B.A./Doctor of Optometry (O.D.)**

Assumption College and the New England School of Optometry have agreed to cooperate in providing an accelerated, seven-year curriculum of undergraduate and professional education leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a Major in Biology from Assumption College, and the Doctor of Optometry degree from the New England College of Optometry. The program consists of a three-year curriculum at Assumption College followed by a four-year curriculum in optometry at the New England School of Optometry. Upon successful completion of their first year at the New College of Optometry, individuals in this program are eligible to graduate with a bachelor's degree from Assumption College. Admission into the School of Optometry is not guaranteed.

**Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences B.A./Doctor of Optometry (O.D.)**

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has agreed to provide five seats at their Worcester, MA campus for qualified Assumption students who want to earn a Doctorate of Optometry. To qualify for admission, students must complete the required prerequisites with a grade of C or better (no repeats). They must also have a GPA of 3.2 in the required prerequisites and an overall GPA of 3.2, and they must pass an interview at MCPHS.

**Northeastern University Graduate School**

Northeastern University will reserve space for two qualified Assumption College students in its Master of Science in Biotechnology program. The minimum requirements for acceptance include a GPA of 3.2, satisfactory completion of all prerequisites, and a completed application. The GRE and application fee will be waived for these students. In addition, Northeastern University will waive the application fee and the GRE requirement for qualified Assumption College students who are interested in pursuing graduate studies in Biotechnology, Pharmaceutical Science, Physician Assistant Studies, Health Informatics, Public Health, Exercise Physiology and School Counseling. The minimal requirements for these waivers include a GPA of 3.2.

**Duke University Marine Sciences Education Consortium (MSEC)**

Assumption students are eligible to study at Duke University's Marine Laboratory in Beaufort, North Carolina. The Duke program offers an opportunity for intensive study in marine science and marine ecology. In addition, Assumption students may participate in
the MSEC’s study abroad programs which include sites in Singapore, Trinidad, Hawaii, Panama and France. This program should be of particular interest to Environmental Science majors and minors and to those who seek a science-intense study abroad opportunity.

Duke University 3:2 Program in Environmental Science Management and Forestry Management
Students interested in pursuing a master’s degree from Duke University in Environmental Science Management (MEM) or Forestry Management (FM) can complete their general education requirements, their major requirements, and their application for admission to the Duke graduate school in three years. If accepted into the Duke professional master’s degree program, the student is eligible to receive his or her Assumption College undergraduate degree upon the successful completion of their first year of graduate studies at Duke. At the end of the second year of graduate study, the student is eligible to receive the MEM or the FM from the Nicholas School at Duke University. The Duke agreement does not guarantee that Assumption College students will be accepted into the graduate program, and admission is competitive.

The University of Notre Dame College of Engineering
Assumption College has established an agreement with the University of Notre Dame College of Engineering that allows qualified Assumption students to earn a B.A. in Chemistry, Environmental Science, Mathematics or Computer Science from Assumption College and a B.S. in one of several fields of Engineering from the University of Notre Dame. This program is a 3:2 program, which means students spend three years studying at Assumption College followed by two years at Notre Dame. Contact Professor Joseph Alfano for more information.

POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN PREREQUISITES FOR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS IN HEALTH FIELDS
This program is designed for individuals who hold Bachelor's degrees, who have not previously made application to Professional Schools in the Health Professions, and who are seeking to complete prerequisites before making an application. Participants will have ‘non-matriculating’ status, and will be charged tuition and fees at the rate listed in the catalog. All courses will be taken with undergraduate students. Programs will be planned in consultation with the College’s Advisor for the Health Professions, Dr. Steven Theroux. A participant must complete at least four courses with three different faculty members in the Department of Natural Sciences at Assumption in order to earn a certificate and a recommendation from the Recommendation Committee for the Health Professions. Applicants need to submit a completed application form, available from Dr. Steven Theroux, a written statement describing their motivation for the chosen health career, and official undergraduate transcripts. To be applicants get a seat in the courses that they need to take, these applications should be completed by the end of February prior to their Fall attendance. Completion of this certificate does not guarantee admission to a professional school.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

BIOLOGY (BIO)

BIO 102  HUMAN BIOLOGY IN HEALTH AND DISEASE
A course for non-science majors that focuses on selected functional systems of the body, the organs that compose them, and the interactions among them. Special attention will be given to disease processes. In these systems laboratory work (one three-hour session per week) will include studies of physiological concepts at the cellular and systems levels. This course is especially designed for students majoring in Social and Rehabilitation Services or Psychology, or students seeking background for courses in Anthropology and other social sciences. Lab Fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Fall, Spring) Staff/Four credits

BIO 105  HUMAN HEREDITY
This course for non-science majors introduces the principles of human genetics. Major topics are: (1) patterns of inheritance in human families, (2) sex determination and sex-linked traits, (3) how DNA works (the explanation of some human genetic traits at the molecular level), (4) genes in human populations, and (5) interactions of genes and the environment. An historical approach is used and most genetic principles are introduced by examples from human medical genetics. Familiar human conditions such as albinism, hemophilia, sickle-cell anemia, dwarfism, Down Syndrome, and color-blindness are discussed. Three lectures and one laboratory per week. Lab Fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Fall, Spring) Staff/Four credits

BIO 140  INQUIRY BIOLOGY FOR EDUCATORS
In this course, students learn fundamental concepts and models associated with three major subdisciplines of
The course heavily emphasizes the use of open-ended, problem-solving methods of teaching and learning to help students develop their own functional understanding of the major concepts. A significant part of students' problem-solving work involves the use of computer technology, including the use of concept mapping and computer simulations to facilitate concept development. The course is intended for students planning on pursuing a career in elementary or middle school education. As such, particular attention is given to understanding common misconceptions that children have concerning learning about biological phenomena and considering the ramifications of these misconceptions for the development of effective classroom instruction. At least twice during the term, students will be expected to teach "mini" lessons in the biological sciences to visiting elementary school children. The course meets twice weekly in a 3-hour lab session. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Fall, Spring)

Howe/Four credits

**BIO 160  CONCEPTS IN BIOLOGY**

An introductory course required of all science majors that emphasizes major concepts in biological science: structure and function, homeostasis, energetics, perpetuation, and evolution of living organisms. The laboratory will introduce students to the techniques and approaches used in biology. Three lectures and one laboratory period each week. Should be taken by intended science majors in the first year. Lab Fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Fall, Spring)

Kraus, Schandel, Theroux/Four credits

**BIO 210  GENETICS**

A brief survey of Mendelian and cytological genetics with most emphasis placed on recent advances in molecular genetics. Replication, translation, and transcription of the genetic material receive detailed study. Three lectures and one laboratory per week. Prerequisite: BIO 160 and a course in Biology or Chemistry. Should be taken before the Junior year. Lab Fee: $400.00 (Fall, Spring)

**BIO 220  INVERTEBRATE ZOOLOGY**

A survey of invertebrate animals from protozoans through invertebrate chordates, emphasizing their functional organization, modes of reproduction, ecological roles, and evolutionary relationships. In the laboratory, we will examine representative living and preserved specimens, concentrating on their structure and behavior. Three lectures and one laboratory or field trip each week. Prerequisite: BIO 160 or equivalent. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Spring)

Sholes/Four credits

**BIO 230  BOTANY**

This course provides an introduction to the biology of plants. Among the topics considered are the role of plants in the biosphere, plant form and function, and the evolution of plants. In the laboratory, students examine representatives of the major groups of plants and learn the fundamentals of plant tissue culture techniques in order to study plant growth and development. Field work includes trips to a variety of local habitats. Three lectures and one laboratory or field trip each week. Prerequisite: BIO 160 or equivalent. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Fall, even-numbered years)

Sholes/Four credits

**BIO 240  MAMMALIAN ANATOMY**

Regional anatomy of the mammalian form as evidenced in the dissected domestic cat. Lectures compare the cat with the human body and relate structure to function. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory period per week. Prerequisite: BIO 160 or equivalent. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Fall)

McCready/Four credits

**BIO 250  MICROBIOLOGY**

Microorganisms, especially bacteria and viruses, are studied with respect to their morphological characteristics, growth and metabolism, genetics and environmental significance. The role of microorganisms as pathogens and the control of microorganisms are also considered. Laboratory techniques include sterilization, isolation, and culturing. Three lectures and one laboratory per week. Prerequisite: BIO 210. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Fall)

Dugan/Four credits

**BIO 275  SPECIAL TOPICS IN BIOLOGY**

This special topics course will explore an area of biology using the literature, and if appropriate, a cross-disciplinary approach. The course will allow the students and faculty an opportunity to investigate areas of biology that are not part of the regular curriculum.

Staff/Three credits

**BIO 291  INTERNSHIP IN BIOLOGY**

Directed study within an internship program. The student will be expected to keep a journal detailing the internship. The student will also be expected to write a paper (usually approximately 10 pages in length) summarizing an area related to the internship experience. An evaluation by the on-site supervisor will be considered when determining the grade. The student will be required to have a G.P.A. of 3.0 to enroll.

Staff/ Three credits

**BIO 310  ANIMAL BEHAVIOR**

This course will initially approach the study of animal behavior from the physiological perspective: the neural basis of behavior (the nervous circuits responsible for sensory input and integration and motor output) will be studied in some detail. Subsequently, the emphasis will shift to the contribution of ecological, developmental, and evolutionary forces to shaping the ultimate behavior output. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory each week. Lab fee $400.00. Prerequisite: BIO 220 or BIO 240. (Fall)

Cromarty/Four credits
BIO 320 ORGANIC EVOLUTION
This course is an introduction to genetic changes in populations over time and to the models and evidence we use to identify and explain those changes. Topics include: influence of the environment, genotype-phenotype connections, Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium, genetic variation, genetic drift, in-breeding, natural selection, gene flow, speciation, phylogeny, macroevolutionary trends, and the fossil record. Prerequisite: BIO 210. (Spring) Sholes/Three credits

BIO 340 MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY
This course focuses on the structure and function of the eukaryotic cell. The role of cellular membranes in basic physiological processes is discussed in detail. The physiological roles of the extracellular matrix, the cytoskeleton, and various subcellular structures are also addressed. Finally, the student will be introduced to the processes that govern cellular division and cellular evolution. When possible, the course topics are related to the development of various human maladies, such as cancer and AIDS. The laboratory exposes the students to several classical techniques used in cell biology and to a number of modern methods used by protein chemists and molecular biologists. Prerequisite: BIO 210 or permission of the instructor. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Spring) Crowley/Four credits

BIO 350 MARINE MAMMALS: BIOLOGY AND CONSERVATION
This course is designed to familiarize students with the biology and natural history of marine mammals. Emphasis is placed on whales, dolphins, and seals of the western North Atlantic, but species from all over the world will be discussed. Topics to be considered include evolution, anatomy, behavior, field identification, the history of whaling, and contemporary conservation problems. Hands-on activities include one evening laboratory work (harbor porpoise or seal dissection) and marine mammal survey on Massachusetts Bay. Prerequisites: BIO 160 and two additional biology course. (Fall) Marine Studies Consortium/Three credits

BIO 360 ECOLOGY
In this course, students interpret published data, critique some original papers, and participate in class discussion on the following topics: limits on species distributions, demography, population growth and regulation, interactions of species, energy flow, nutrient cycling, community dynamics, succession, and patterns of species diversity. In the laboratory, students participate in class exercises, and design, perform, and report their own group field projects. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory per week. Lab Fee: $400.00. Prerequisite: Two Biology courses or permission of instructor. (Fall, odd-numbered years) Sholes/Four credits

BIO 370 GENERAL PHYSIOLOGY
Human and animal physiology, with a comparative approach to the study of muscle contraction, blood circulation and respiration, metabolic and temperature controls, digestion and excretion, sensory and endocrine functions. The laboratory exercises focus on the investigation of basic concepts of animal and human physiology at the cellular and systems levels. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory period each week. Lab Fee: $400.00. Prerequisites: BIO 240 or permission of instructor. (Spring) Cromarty, Lemons/Four credits

BIO 380 THE BIOLOGY OF CANCER
This course will explore the biology of cancer. Beginning with an examination of the personal, social and economic consequences of this disease, it will move to a focus on the cellular and molecular biology of cancer. Specially, it will study the nature of cancer, the role of viruses in cancer, cellular oncogenes, cellular signaling mechanisms, tumor suppressor genes, and the maintenance of genomic integrity. Other topics to be examined include: the cell cycle, apoptosis, cellular immortalization, tumorigenesis, angiogenesis and metastasis. Finally, this course will examine how modern molecular medicine is being used to treat cancer. Prerequisites: BIO 160, BIO 210, BIO 340. (Fall) Theroux/Three credits

BIO 390 EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY
This advanced course is designed to provide students with applied knowledge relative to the human's physiologic responses to acute and chronic exercise stress. Students basic knowledge of neuromuscular physiology, energy metabolism, cardiovascular and respiratory physiology will be honed to focus on human exercise response with the focus of the course being on applications to exercise training and programming, sport, nutrition, youth, aging and disease. Laboratory exercises will enable practical skills to be gained in measuring and testing for physiological markers of human readiness and response to exercise. Prerequisites: BIO 240 and BIO 370. Lab Fee: $400.00. Caron/Four credits

BIO 410 INTRODUCTORY IMMUNOLOGY
The focus of this course is the biology of the immune response. Topics include immunoglobulin structure, the generation of antibody diversity, and the cellular basis of the immune response. Disorders of the immune system, such as allergies, autoimmune diseases, and AIDS are also considered. In the laboratory, students learn tissue culture and such immunologic techniques as SDS gel electrophoresis, Western blotting, ELISA fluorescent antibody staining, isolation and study of B cells, T cells and macrophages, mixed lymphocyte reactions, and hemolytic plaque assays. Three lectures and one laboratory per week. Lab Fee: $400.00. Prerequisites: BIO 340, CHE 131–132. (Spring, even-numbered years) Dugan/Four credits

BIO 415 PRINCIPLES OF NEUROSCIENCE
This course introduces students to the rapidly growing field of neuroscience, which is the study of the nervous system. Our nervous system shapes our every thought, emotion
and sensation. Students will gain an understanding of the underlying neural basis of how we perceive the world. This course begins with an anatomical approach and then integrates physiological, cellular, molecular, and functional approaches. Topics range from how cells in the brain communicate with one another, to current diagnostic and research technology, to the biological basis of movement, and includes the study of disease and injury to the brain, such as Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease and stroke. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory each week. Lab Fee $400. Prerequisites: BIO 370 or BIO 340 or permission of the instructor. (Fall)

Lemons/Four credits

BIO 420 DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY
This course covers the principles and concepts of growth, morphogenesis, and differentiation in developing animals. We will discuss the major features of embryonic development from fertilization through organogenesis. Particular attention is given to how the regulation of specific genes contributes to development of an embryo. The lab will allow the student to explore techniques used by developmental biologists. Students will also have the opportunity to develop an independent project. Prerequisite BIO 340 or permission of the instructor. (Fall, alternate years)

Lemons/Four credits

BIO 430 COMPARATIVE PHYSIOLOGY
This course combines a brief review of fundamental principles of animal physiology with an in-depth discussion of how these principles are modified and shaped by environmental and ecological pressures. The functional significance of physiological adaptation to an animal’s environment is emphasized by describing various mechanisms of regulation of physiological variables (temperature, metabolism, oxygen consumption, water retention, circadian rhythms) in extremely different environmental conditions. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory each week. Prerequisite: BIO 370 or permission of instructor. Lab fee: $400.00. (Fall, alternate years)

Cromarty/Four credits

BIO 440 BIOTECHNOLOGY IN THEORY AND PRACTICE
This course integrates the disciplines of cellular biology, molecular biology, and protein chemistry through a series of related experiments. The course will expose students to: 1) recent journal articles within the scientific literature, 2) selected methods, techniques, and instruments used in biotechnology, and 3) strategies that can be employed to solve interesting biological problems. The laboratory experience will introduce the student to DNA amplification by the polymerase chain reaction, oligonucleotide-directed site specific mutagenesis; gel electrophoresis; isolation of protein, DNA and RNA; gene cloning; DNA sequencing; cell culture; gene expression in mammalian cell lines, and Southern hybridization analysis. Class meets six hours per week for lecture, laboratory, and discussion. Lab Fee: $400.00. Prerequisites: CHE 202 and BIO 340. (Spring)

Theroux/Four credits

BIO 480 SEMINAR IN LIFE SCIENCES
An overview of a defined scientific topic (such as the process of cell division) will be presented, and then recently published articles on this topic will be discussed in detail. As part of the course requirements, each student will be asked to present one or more assigned journal articles to the class. The course is designed to increase the student’s knowledge of an active area of scientific inquiry and to enhance the student’s reading, data analysis, and oral presentation skills. Prerequisites: Seniors or second semester juniors who have completed BIO 160 and five additional biology and chemistry courses, and permission of instructor.

Staff/Three credits

BIO 490–491 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Directed study or experimental research. Prerequisites: Six courses in Biology and consent of instructor. The student is expected to have a G.P.A. of 3.0 to enroll. (Offered by arrangement)

Staff/Three credits each semester

CHEMISTRY (CHE)

CHE 105 CHEMISTRY IN MODERN SOCIETY
A course for non-science majors surveying the fundamental concepts and theories of the structure of matter in the context of chemistry’s applications to society. Topics of consideration may include environmental issues, energy use and production, nutrition, medicines, plastics, and/or other pertinent issues of the day. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory per week. Lab fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab.

Staff/Four credits

CHE 131–132 GENERAL CHEMISTRY I AND II
Fundamental principles of chemistry. Topics covered in CHE 131 include: matter and measurement, atomic and electronic structure, stoichiometry, gases, bonding, and solutions. In CHE 132: chemical equilibria (gases, solubility), acids and bases, electrochemistry, thermochemistry, nuclear and coordination chemistry. Emphasis is placed on problem solving. Laboratory work includes Qualitative Analysis. CHE 131 is a prerequisite for CHE 132. Intended science majors should take this series in their first year. Lab Fee: $400.00 each semester. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Part I, Fall, Part II, Spring.)

Hauri, Jones, Marcotte, Niece /Four credits each semester

CHE 201–202 ORGANIC CHEMISTRY I AND II
The chemistry of organic compounds (the compounds of carbon) is studied. The topics include covalent bonding, molecular structure, and resonance, constitutional, geometric, and optical isomerism, the reactions of organic compounds through their functional groups, the nucleophilic, electrophilic, and free radical reaction mechanisms,
and spectroscopy. These theoretical and practical principles are applied to the solution of such organic chemical problems as structure determination, chemical synthesis of desired molecules, the effect of structure on properties, and the biological roles of organic molecules. This full-year course meets the needs of students who expect to pursue graduate studies in natural sciences and also of those who plan to enter professional schools. Prerequisite: CHE 131–132. Lab Fee: $400.00 each semester. (Fall, Spring)

Colby Davie, Dix/Four credits each semester

**CHE 275 **SPECIAL TOPICS IN CHEMISTRY
This special topics course will explore an area of chemistry using the literature, and if appropriate, a cross-disciplinary approach. The course will allow the students and faculty an opportunity to investigate areas of chemistry that are not part of the regular curriculum.

Staff/Three credits

**CHE 291 **INTERNSHIP IN CHEMISTRY
Directed study within an internship program. The student will be expected to keep a journal detailing the internship. The student will also be expected to write a paper (usually approximately 10 pages in length) summarizing an area related to the internship experience. An evaluation by the on-site supervisor will be considered when determining the grade. The student will be required to have a G.P.A. of 3.0 to enroll.

**CHE 311–312 **PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY I AND II
An intensive study of the structure and interconversions of matter in its several states. Intra- and inter-molecular forces, thermodynamics, equilibria, electrochemistry, kinetics, and statistical and quantum mechanics are considered. Prerequisites: CHE 201–202, PHY 201–202 (may be concurrent with permission of instructor), MAT 117–118 or MAT 131–132 or permission of the instructor. Lab Fee: $400.00 per semester. (Fall, Spring)

Jones/Four credits each semester

**CHE 315 **ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY
A study of the major methods of chemical analysis, including statistics in evaluating the error associated with measurements, the systematic treatment of acid-base equilibria, introductory electrochemistry and spectrophotometry, and the theory of separations (chromatography). Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory per week. Prerequisite: CHE 201–202. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Fall, odd-numbered years)

Niece/Four credits

**CHE 316 **INORGANIC CHEMISTRY
A study of the structure and properties of the elements and their compounds. Topics covered are atomic structure, periodic relationships, molecular bonding, acid-base systems, and coordination compounds. Laboratory work focuses on the interaction between experiment and theory in understanding and predicting chemical phenomena. Three lectures and one laboratory period per week. Prerequisite: CHE 201–202. Lab fee: $400.00. (Fall, even-numbered years)

Niece/Four credits

**CHE 318 **ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY
A specialized knowledge of chemistry is needed in order to identify, understand, and solve environmental problems. This course will be an in depth study of the chemistry of environmental issues and pollutants. Students will learn the mechanisms of important chemical reactions, as well as relevant analytical techniques related to environmental chemistry. In the lab, students will combine field work, analytical chemistry, and remediation techniques during their investigation of environmental problems. Prerequisites: CHE 131–132, CHE 201–202. Lab fee: $400.00

Hauri/Four credits

**CHE 414 **BIOCHEMISTRY
The major classes of biochemicals, carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, and nucleic acids are studied with particular attention to the relationship between their chemical structures and biological functions. Specific topics include (but are not limited to) biocatalysis, receptors, membrane structure, metabolism, biosynthesis, and energy production. Prerequisite: CHE 201–202 and BIO 160. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Fall, Spring)

Marcotte, Schandel/Four credits

**CHE 416 **MOLECULAR STRUCTURE AND CHARACTERIZATION
A detailed study of current chemical bonding theories and characterization techniques. Topics covered include molecular symmetry, molecular orbital theory, and computer molecular modeling. Molecular characterization with electronic, vibrational, and nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopies is addressed. Laboratory work includes molecular modeling, NMR, UV/Visible, and IR Spectroscopy. Three lectures and one laboratory period per week. Prerequisites: CHE 312 (can be concurrent with instructor's permission), CHE 316. Lab Fee: $400.00 (Spring, odd-numbered years)

Niece/Four credits

**CHE 450 **INSTRUMENTAL CHEMISTRY
The study of the theory of instrumental methods of analysis and their application in the laboratory. Topics include computers in data collection and management, UV-vis, IR, AA, fluorimetry, and electrochemical methods. In addition, NMR and mass spectrometry are covered in the lecture. Two lectures and one laboratory period per week. Prerequisite: CHE 202 or permission. Lab Fee: $400.00. (Spring, even-numbered years)

Niece/Four credits

**CHE 460 **MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY
Natural and synthetic medicines are investigated with attention to their fate in a living organism: absorption, distribution, and elimination, dose-response and time-response
relationships of drugs, and the relationship between chemical structure and biological activity. The biochemistry of several diseases (probably including AIDS) will be examined to learn different ways that chemicals can be used to interfere with the course of a disease. Prerequisite: CHE 201–202 and BIO 160. (Spring, even-numbered years) Dix/Three credits

CHE 470 ADVANCED ORGANIC CHEMISTRY
An advanced course surveying modern organic chemistry. Topics include synthetic methods, mechanistic analysis, isotope effects, pericyclic and photochemical reactions, and electron transfer. Several case studies will be used to illustrate these topics. Three lectures per week. Prerequisites: CHE 201–202 and CHE 311 or CHE 313. (Spring, odd-numbered years) Colby Davie/Three credits

CHE 480 SEMINAR IN CHEMISTRY
The student researches specified areas of Chemistry under the guidance of faculty members for oral presentation and defense before the class. Written papers are submitted for final review. Offered upon sufficient demand. Prerequisites: six courses in Physics and Chemistry. Staff/Three credits

CHE 491–492 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Directed study and research in some aspect of chemistry. Open to students who have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and at least six courses in chemistry or other science. Offered by arrangement with a faculty member. (Fall, Spring) Staff/Three credits each semester

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (ENV)

ENV 120 ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF NEW ENGLAND
In the past 15,000 years, New England has recovered from glaciation and been colonized by humans—first by American Indians, then by European immigrants. These and other events produced a series of changes in the biological landscape, some dramatic, some subtle. This course will examine many of these changes chronologically, concentrating on the relationships between humans and their biological environment. The laboratory will include field trips, lab exercises, and an introduction to some of the methods of historical biology. Three lectures and one laboratory per week. Lab Fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Fall, odd-numbered years) Sholes/Four credits

ENV 150 INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
An introductory course designed as a foundation course for all students interested in environmental science. The interdisciplinary nature of environmental science will be stressed by covering the chemical, biological, and social aspects of environmental issues and problems in a case study approach. The lab will expose the students to both field and lab work associated with applied environmental work. Three lectures and one three-hour laboratory per week. Lab Fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. Hauri/Three credits

ENV 260 WATER RESOURCES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT
This is an interdisciplinary introduction to our most precious resources. Water has shaped our bodies, our planet, our history, our culture. How we manage it will shape our future. Because of increasing demand, waste, and pollution, we are depleting—and risk destroying—the limited supply of usable fresh water. This course will look at water through scientific, historical, and cultural viewpoints and survey contemporary water problems in all their dimensions—political, economic, and technological. Marine Studies Consortium/Three credits

ENV 275 SPECIAL TOPICS IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
This special topics course will explore an area of environmental science using the literature, and if appropriate, a cross-disciplinary approach. The course will allow the students and faculty an opportunity to investigate areas of environmental science that are not part of the regular curriculum. Staff/Three credits

ENV 280 COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT
This course will introduce students to the coastal environment and its resources and uses, coastal zone issues resulting primarily from human activities, the framework established by the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act for collaborative planning and regulation of the U.S. coastal zone, the roles played by the federal, state, and local governments, advocacy groups, and private property owners, the design and achievements of these programs, and international applications of coastal management. Guest speakers and case studies (e.g., Boston Harbor project, nonpoint source plans, Cape Cod Commission) will be used to illustrate themes and the intricacies of public policy development. Marine Studies Consortium/Three credits

ENV 291 INTERNSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
Directed study within an internship program. The student will be expected to keep a journal detailing the internship. The student will also be expected to write a paper (usually approximately 10 pages in length) summarizing an area related to the internship experience. An evaluation by the on-site supervisor will be considered when determining the grade. The student will be required to have a G.P.A. of 3.0 to enroll.

ENV 350 WETLANDS
Wetlands play a vital role in the hydrology and ecology of global landscapes. This course will consider several topics: the function of inland and coastal marshes, swamps, and
bogs in water and nutrient cycles, the influence of wetlands on biodiversity, from microbes to vertebrates, the biological links between wetlands and human activities, such as agriculture, coastal development, and fisheries, and the legal framework for the protection and restoration of endangered wetlands. Prerequisites: CHE 132 and two Biology courses at the 200 level or higher. (Fall)

Marine Studies Consortium/Three credits

ENV 480 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE SEMINAR
An in-depth study of a current topic in environmental science. This course will emphasize review and analysis of primary literature. Students will be expected to give oral presentations as part of the course requirements. Some example topics are Global Availability of Drinking Water in the 21st century, Eutrophication, and Environmental Pollution Control. Classes will meet for three hours weekly. Prerequisites: Permission of instructor and six courses in environmental science or other science.

Staff/Three credits

ENV 491–492 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Directed study or experimental research on some aspect of environmental science. Prerequisites: The student is expected to have a GPA of 3.0 and six courses in environmental science or other science. Offered by arrangement. (Fall, Spring)

Staff/Three credits

PHYSICS (PHY)

PHY 112 INTRODUCTION TO ASTRONOMY
Introduction to stars, galaxies, and clusters of galaxies, earth, moon, planets, and comets, origin, life cycle, and death of both planetary and galactic systems, theories of the origin, structure, and end of the universe. The laboratory familiarizes the student with the tools of the astronomer and with the analysis of data. No prerequisite. Lab Fee: $400.00. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab.

Georgiev/Four credits

PHY 201–202 GENERAL PHYSICS I AND II
Mechanics and heat (first semester), sound, electricity, magnetism, and light (second semester). Three lectures and one laboratory period. Prerequisite: MAT 114 or Calculus (may be concurrent). Lab fee: $400.00 per semester. This course fulfills the Core Curriculum requirement for a science with a lab. (Fall, Spring)

Georgiev, Rodriguez/Four credits each semester

PHY 213 INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING PROBLEM SOLVING
This introductory course is designed to acquaint students with the variety of engineering disciplines, as well as provide students with the basics of the engineering mindset. The ability to develop and resolve solutions to applied problems is a necessary skill for a multitude of disciplines. The structure of the course emphasizes group projects and the use of computers to create models to solve problems. Prerequisite: MAT 117/131 and MAT 118/132 (can be taken concurrently). (Spring)

Hauri/Three credits

PHY 275 APPLIED OPTICS
The course investigates the general methods and applications of optics within the natural sciences. We will consider the optics of waves, the electromagnetic nature of light, reflection and refraction, interference and diffraction, polarization and geometrical optics, and optical instruments widely used in the natural sciences. Lab Fee $300.00. Prerequisites: PHY 201, PHY 202 and MAT 114 or MAT 117.

Georgiev/Three credits

PHY 480 SEMINAR IN PHYSICS
The student researches specified areas of physics under the guidance of faculty members for oral presentation and defense before the class. Written papers are submitted for final review. Offered upon sufficient demand. Prerequisites: Six courses in physics and chemistry.

Staff/Three credits

PHY 491–492 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Directed study in an area of Physics. The course is open to students who have completed a minimum of six science courses and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Offered by arrangement. (Fall and Spring)

Staff/Three credits
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY


MISSION STATEMENT
Philosophy is a reasoned quest for and joy in understanding truths which are fundamental to all areas of inquiry. Animated by a love of ideas, philosophical inquiry attends to all that is of ultimate concern for human beings. Guided by the College’s commitment to embody the complementarity of faith and reason and its broader mission, the Philosophy Department of Assumption College is founded on the ongoing engagement of its faculty and students with the Catholic intellectual tradition. We seek intellectual friendship among all who take seriously the life of the mind. Grappling with fundamental questions of human existence with an eye toward discerning the truth is an essential dimension of this tradition. Our mission is to engage students in the activity of philosophy strengthened by this tradition.

Learning Outcomes
• Reading texts closely and carefully in context
• Appreciating and evaluating positions in order to discern their fundamental principles
• Writing clearly, insightfully and in a well-ordered manner
• Engaging respectfully and constructively in philosophical conversation
• Constructing and assessing arguments and evaluating their formal structures

MAJOR IN PHILOSOPHY
Philosophy comes before other studies in that it takes up the general questions whose answers underlie the more particular parts of human knowledge. The Philosophy major prepares students for graduate work in philosophy, law, and theology. It also gives the student a more intensive training in the liberal arts, and lays the foundations for special studies in the natural sciences, literature, languages, history, and the social sciences. The critical investigation of the major areas of human endeavor stresses the formation of the student’s judgment.

Required Courses (11)
PHI 100 Introduction to Philosophy
PHI 202 Ethics
PHI 340 Metaphysics

Four Courses in the History of Philosophy (one course from each era):
1. Ancient Philosophy (PHI 350–PHI 354)
2. Medieval Philosophy (PHI 355–PHI 359)
3. Modern Philosophy (PHI 360–PHI 369)
4. Contemporary Philosophy (PHI 370–PHI 389)

Two upper level courses in Philosophy (300–400 level)

Two further courses from any of the Philosophy course offerings.

The Department recommends that majors satisfy the Writing Emphasis Core Curriculum requirement with an intermediate level Philosophy course, usually PHI 202 Ethics (WE). This course should be taken early in one’s curriculum, in the sophomore year when possible.

As graduate students in philosophy are expected to develop a proficiency in one or more foreign language (French, German, Greek, or Latin), Philosophy majors are encouraged to begin developing their competency here at the College. Students considering graduate study in philosophy are encouraged to contact the Department’s Graduate Advisor, Prof. Patrick Corrigan, during or before the junior year.

MAJOR IN PHILOSOPHY, PRE-BUSINESS TRACK

PHI 100 Introduction to Philosophy
PHI 202 Ethics
PHI 290 Property and Civic Life
PHI 320 Business Ethics

Three Courses in the History of Philosophy (from three eras):
1. Ancient Philosophy (PHI 350–354)
2. Medieval Philosophy (PHI 355–359)
3. Modern Philosophy (PHI 360–369)
4. Contemporary Philosophy (PHI 370–389)

Three electives in Philosophy (at least one numbered above 300).
MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I

Students should take PHI 100 and PHI 202 Ethics in their first and second years, thereby fulfilling the prerequisite for all other philosophy courses (which may be taken in any order). The two "gateway" courses, PHI 290 Property and Civic Life and PHI 320 Business Ethics, should then be taken. MGT 100 and ACC 125 may be taken at any time, but doing so earlier will allow students to take more business courses and reduce the number of Foundations in Business courses required for their MBA. In addition, with permission from the chair of the Business Studies Department, students may take up to two MBA courses as undergraduates. Students should, ideally during the Spring of their junior year, consult with the
Students completing these major requirements but opting not to continue into the Early Career Track MBA program will graduate with the BA major "Philosophy, Pre-Business Track," unless they take additional courses to qualify for the standard Philosophy Major.

**Early Career Track MBA Program**

In their fifth year, students will complete the 12–14 month Early Career Track MBA. During the summer prior to their MBA year, students take Assumption’s Foundations in Business Program, consisting of eight two-credit courses designed to prepare liberal arts majors for graduate-level business courses. The Early Career Track MBA provides the Foundations in Business Program for those who have not taken undergraduate courses in Business Studies. Students interested in an MBA should seriously consider taking the following courses as undergraduates, since earning a B- or better in these courses waives MBA requirements otherwise fulfilled in the Foundations in Business program:

- **MGT 100** Management and Organizational Behavior (equivalent: MBA 550)
- **MKT 101** Principles of Marketing (equivalent: MBA 551)
- **ACC 125–126** Principles of Accounting I and II (equivalent: MBA 552)
- **ECO 325** Corporate Finance (equivalent: MBA 553)
- **ECO 110–111** Microeconomics and Macroeconomics (equivalent: MBA 554)
- **ECO 115** Statistics (equivalent: MBA 555)
- **MGT 210** Quantitative Methods (equivalent: MBA 556)

Both ACC 125 and ACC 126 are necessary with a B- or higher in order to be exempt from taking the MBA 552 requirement.

PHI 320 Business Ethics fulfills the MBA requirement for MBA 600 Business Ethics, thus enabling students to substitute an elective in the MBA segment of the program.

The following undergraduate courses are also strongly recommended:

- **CSC 113** Introduction to Computer Science (OR CSC 117 Introduction to Programming)
- **ENG 304** Business and Technical Writing (OR ENG 201 Writing Workshop: Argument and Persuasion OR ENG 308 Writing and Editing OR ENG 204E Effective Business Writing)

Students are guaranteed acceptance into the Early Career Track MBA Program upon graduation, if they complete the Philosophy Major, Pre-Business Track, while earning a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 3.0.

**MINOR IN PHILOSOPHY**

The minor in Philosophy is designed to strengthen any major, broaden the student’s background, and enable the student to see his/her subject in perspective.
**Required Courses (6)**

- PHI 100  
  Introduction to Philosophy

One Intermediate Philosophy course (200 level)

Two History of Philosophy courses
1. Ancient Philosophy (PHI 350–PHI 354)
2. Medieval Philosophy (PHI 355–PHI 359)
3. Modern Philosophy (PHI 360–PHI 369)
4. Contemporary Philosophy (PHI 370–PHI 389)

Two further courses from the Philosophy Department offerings.

The minor program is planned in consultation with a member of the Department, taking into consideration the student’s major and interests, and subject to the approval of the Department Chairperson.

**MINOR IN LAW, ETHICS, AND CONSTITUTIONAL STUDIES (LEX)**

Jointly sponsored by the Departments of Philosophy and Political Science, the LEX minor engages the law, ethics and constitutionalism through those thinkers and texts whose political, philosophical, and legal reflections have shaped the Western intellectual tradition. This minor is designed for those who want to acquire the liberal arts skills essential to professional and personal excellence, as well as to all those who aspire to thoughtful citizenship.

For more information, please consult the entry for LEX in ‘Interdisciplinary Programs’ or contact its Director, Dr. Gregory S. Weiner, at gs.weiner@assumption.edu.

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW: The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Interdisciplinary Programs” or contact its advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**PHILOSOPHY (PHI)**

**PHI 100  INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY**

A course designed to familiarize the student with the activity called philosophy. The student is introduced to some of the major questions examined in depth in the different parts of philosophy covered in the Intermediate Level Courses. This course is required in the Core Curriculum.

Staff/Three credits

**PHI 200  PHILOSOPHY OF NATURE**

This course studies the beginning of philosophy and natural science in the early Greek philosophers and the continuation of their thought in modern science. The seeds which developed into an understanding of change, and the kinds of cause found in the natural world. Prerequisite: PHI 100. This course fulfills the second philosophy requirement in the Core Curriculum.

Flynn, Maher/Three credits

**PHI 201  PHILOSOPHICAL PSYCHOLOGY**

This course looks at the method of studying life in philosophical psychology and its place in the complete study of life with experimental psychology and biology. It investigates the main problems of the discipline and solutions offered by Greek and modern philosophers. Prerequisite: PHI 100. This course fulfills the second philosophy requirement in the Core Curriculum.

Bauer, Flynn, Ranasinghe, Traylor/Three credits

**PHI 202  ETHICS**

Ethics is an exploration of the question, “How should I live?” Classical, modern, and contemporary positions, as well as practical examples will be examined in an attempt to understand the best human life. Prerequisite: PHI 100. This course fulfills the second philosophy requirement in the Core Curriculum.

Colvert, Flynn, Gallagher, Maher, Ranasinghe/Three credits

**PHI 204  GOD AND THE PHILOSOPHERS**

An examination of the ways that philosophers have understood the divine. Topics may include arguments for the existence of God, critiques and defenses of classical theism, the appropriate language to speak of the divine, the problem of evil, the nature of religious experience, why miracles may be problematic, science and God. How does one’s understanding of the existence and character of the divine bear on one’s self-understanding and how one lives? Prerequisite: PHI 100. This course fulfills the second philosophy requirement in the Core Curriculum.

Bauer, Gobbel, Traylor/Three credits

**PHI 205H–206H  FOUNDATIONS: PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION**

This course is an interdisciplinary introduction to the religious and philosophical foundations of the West. The purpose of the course is to help students discover the principles at the heart of Western civilization and thereby develop a critical approach to their own thoughts and actions through a study of the major thinkers who have formed our culture. This course is taught as a two-semester sequence in PHI and THE. Students may take either or
both semester(s) and receive three credits for each semester. Same as THE 205–206. Prerequisite: PHI 100. Depending on which designation a student opts for, this course fulfills either the second philosophy or the second theology requirement in the Core Curriculum.

Corrigan, LePain, Ranasinghe/Three credits each semester

**PHI 227 LIVING LIVES THAT MATTER**

Most human beings would be deeply dismayed to observe, at the end of their life, that they had lived a life of which they could not approve. It is difficult to think of a more burdensome knowledge or an outcome more to be avoided. This course invites students to begin now to reflect upon what it means to lead a life that matters, and it does so by introducing three vocabularies of human flourishing: authenticity virtue, and especially vocation (attentiveness to the call of wisdom). Students will be invited to engage in an empathetic reading of selected philosophical, theological, and literary texts in order to evaluate their authors’ ideas and observations about what makes a human life ultimately meaningful. It is our expectation that this engagement will prompt students, as Kierkegaard advocates, to inquire about their own lives, priorities, commitments, and purposes with the intention of beginning now to live lives that matter.

Carroll Keeley/Three Credits

**PHI 256 INTRODUCTION TO PEACE STUDIES**

Regrettably, conflict and its violent resolution have marked human history. At the same time, however, human beings have consistently expressed their desire for peace and proposed strategies to eliminate or at least reduce violence. This interdisciplinary course is designed to acquaint students with a variety of reflections about the causes of and remedies for violent conflict.

Gobel/Three credits

**PHI 290 PROPERTY AND CIVIC LIFE**.

What is wealth, and what is it for? Are human beings essentially greedy? We are all economic actors, but only because we are also human beings seeking the good life and citizens benefitting from and co-responsible for the shape of our communities. This course investigates what property, wealth, and business are and seeks a deeper understanding of ourselves as human beings involved in the production, exchange, distribution, and use of economic goods within our communities. Classical readings from Aristotle and Aquinas will be read in conjunction with texts from modern and contemporary thinkers (e.g., Locke, Smith, Marx, Hayek, Sen). Prerequisites: PHI 100 Introduction to Philosophy and any second General Education philosophy course at the 200 level.

Flynn/Three credits

**PHI 310 LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP**

This course investigates the kinds of love, their causes and effects, as well as the necessity, nature, forms, and properties of friendship. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.

Corrigan, Gallagher/Three credits

**PHI 314 PHILOSOPHY OF LAW**

A discussion of the classical and contemporary writings on the source of, authority, the nature and kinds of law, the interpretation of law, and theories of punishment.

Colvert/Three Credits

**PHI 318 INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITY**

This course examines the relationship between the individual and the community and the tension which exists between the achievement of private desires and the cultivation of public spiritedness for the purpose of realizing a common good. Political, social, economic, and moral dimensions of the theme will be examined in the tradition of American individualism. The pairing of duties and responsibilities with rights and liberties will be emphasized. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.

Colvert, Gallagher/Three credits

**PHI 320 BUSINESS ETHICS**

This course is a review of the main theories of ethics and justice and the application of these theories to business. This will be done by examining case studies and legal decisions involving issues of the rights and responsibilities of business with regard to the employee, the consumer, and government. Business in modern society: social responsibility and environmental issues. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.

Bauer, Gallagher/Three credits

**PHI 321 BIOMEDICAL ETHICS**

This course studies moral reasoning in relation to health by surveying a series of topics appropriate to biomedical ethics. Historical medical and legal cases provide the context for close examination of practical decisions and philosophical arguments in defense of those decisions. The emphasis in the course falls on the arguments that attempt to justify and to criticize various actions. The topics treated vary, and may include assisted suicide, fertility therapies, biotechnical enhancement, abortion and perinatal care, treatment of animal and human research subjects, genetic screening, and allocation of scarce resources. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and PHI 202 or permission of instructor.

Maher/Three credits

**PHI 322 ADVANCED TOPICS IN ETHICS**

This course is designed for juniors and seniors who wish to go beyond the basic level of study in ethics to examine a major text or an issue in moral philosophy. A familiarity with basic moral theories and problems studied in Ethics (PHI 202) will be presupposed. This course may focus on a particular text, author, or issue according to the interests of the instructor and students. Possible topics include: Aristotle’s *Nicomachean Ethics*, environmental ethics, Kant’s groundwork and *Critique of Practical Reason*, the problem of evil, theories of virtue: ancient and modern, and global ethics. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.

Colvert, Ranasinghe/Three credits
PHI 327 PHILOSOPHY AND LITERATURE
Philosophical ideas are most often presented in the form of abstract, systematic, argumentative treatises. However, philosophical insight is not restricted to conventional philosophical discourse. Literature, with its keen discernment of the human condition and its probing of our moral situation, often presents significant philosophical insight. This course will either study a philosophical issue through a mixture of systematic, argumentative texts and literary texts or study the thought of a single author as presented in his or her argumentative and literary works. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Ranasinghe, Traylor/Three credits

PHI 333 PHILOSOPHY AND FILM
This course examines the implications of cinematic representation for philosophy. How does the moving image and sound change traditional conceptions of representation? How is knowledge transmitted through the medium of film? How is film related to culture, politics, and social life? Can film be a new mode of philosophical expression? Film theory will be read alongside works by such cinematic greats as Bergman, Godard, Truffaut, Lee, and others. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Flynn/Three credits

PHI 340 METAPHYSICS
The course examines the aim and subject of that wisdom which is the goal of all philosophical activity. It examines the kind of experience necessary for pursuing this wisdom. Topics include the search for first causes, the before and after of what is, how the human being is towards truth and the principle for finding the road to follow in science. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Flynn, Maher/Three credits

PHI 345 SPECIAL TOPICS IN PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUES
This course offers a study at an advanced level of a philosophical issue not covered by other thematic courses. Topic changes according to the interest of the professor and needs of students. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 350 PLATO
This course undertakes a detailed reading and discussion of several major dialogues of Plato with numerous references to selected parts in other dialogues. Plato’s positions on the nature and purpose of philosophy, as well as his tentative answers to the central questions of philosophy, will be contrasted with those of some other philosophers. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Corrigan, Ranasinghe/Three credits

PHI 354 SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY
This course studies a figure or school of philosophy not treated by other history of philosophy courses covering the Ancient period. It fulfills the Area 1 History of Philosophy Requirement for Philosophy Majors and Minors. “Focus in the History of Philosophy” courses are foundational to the Philosophy major. Texts, issues and positions of the past are studied for more than merely their antiquarian interest. Philosophizing well requires coming to grips with the ideas and continued significance of major thinkers in the tradition. These courses are not “survey” courses, they focus upon key figures or philosophical issues characteristic of the period. With the help of the professor, students cultivate the art of independent philosophical research and writing, leading to the completion of a substantive essay characterized by a style appropriate to professional philosophical writing and argumentation. In keeping with the tradition of the Department, each year senior majors present a paper from one of their history of philosophy courses to their peers and the faculty in the Philosophy Department. Fall Semester. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 355 AUGUSTINE AND AQUINAS
The new intellectual environment of philosophy in medieval times will be investigated through a study of the writings of two of the greatest thinkers of the West. Of particular interest will be the union of and tension between the wisdom of the philosophers and the wisdom of the Scriptures present in each author’s work. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Colvert, Flynn, Göbel/Three credits

PHI 356 SEEK AND FIND: AUGUSTINE SEMINAR
The course offers an introduction to the life and thought of Augustine, whose philosophy resides at the heart of an Assumptionist education. Augustine was a constant seeker: his personal quest for truth and truthfulness did not end when he found God. The course offers a close reading of Augustine’s own account of this spiritual journey in the Confessions, one of the most influential books in Western intellectual history. We will further explore important topics addressed in the Confessions—Augustine’s analysis of the human condition (our ‘restless heart’ and ‘metaphysical nature’), self, freedom, evil, happiness, truth, love, God, faith and reason, education, social engagement, a Christian existence, etc.—through the study of other works by Augustine and authors in the ‘Augustinian tradition’. We want to draw inspiration from these readings and find models of the philosophical quest for truth and a good life that we can relate to in our personal, professional, social, and spiritual development.
Göbel/Three credits

PHI 357 CROSSROADS: ISLAMIC, JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY
This course involves an investigation of the contributions of Islamic, Jewish and Christian thinkers to the roots of modern philosophical issues and problems. Students will be introduced to important classical figures in each tradition discussing a set of common problems. Consideration will be
given to the contemporary implications of classical views.
Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Colvert/Three credits

PHI 359  SPECIAL TOPICS IN MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY
This course studies a figure or school of philosophy not treated by other history of philosophy courses covering the Medieval period. It fulfills the Area 2 History of Philosophy Requirement for Philosophy Majors and Minors. Content and pedagogical objectives of the course are similar to those described in PHI 354 above. Spring Semester. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 360  EARLY MODERN PHILOSOPHY
This course undertakes a study of the European thinkers, from Descartes and Hobbes to David Hume, who contributed to and wrestled with modern science and its revolutionary impact on Western civilization. Examination will focus on the respective roles of reason and experience in our understanding of ourselves and the universe, which culminates in the intellectual movement known as the Enlightenment. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Corrigan, Gallagher, Göbel/Three credits

PHI 365  LATE MODERN PHILOSOPHY
The course undertakes an investigation of the philosophical movement known as German Idealism, in its beginnings with Immanuel Kant, its maturity in thinkers such as Fichte, Schelling, and Hegel, and its self-overcoming in thinkers such as Feuerbach, Marx, and Schopenhauer. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 369  SPECIAL TOPICS IN MODERN PHILOSOPHY
This course studies a figure or school of philosophy not treated by other history of philosophy courses covering the Modern period. It fulfills the Area 3 History of Philosophy Requirement for Philosophy Majors and Minors. Content and pedagogical objectives of the course are similar to those described in PHI 354 above. Fall Semester. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 370  EXISTENTIALIST THOUGHT
This course is an examination of that human experience and philosophy which is perhaps most clearly representative of the contemporary West. The roots of existentialist thought in the writings of Kierkegaard and Nietzsche, and then a consideration of similarities and differences in the work of several existentialist writers. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Traylor/Three credits

PHI 375  AMERICAN PHILOSOPHY
This course examines American transcendentalism, including Neo-Hegelian Idealism, the pragmatism of Pierce, James, and Dewey, and the process philosophy of Whitehead. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Bauer/Three credits

PHI 380  20TH-CENTURY CONTINENTAL PHILOSOPHY
An examination of the French and German philosophical movements of the 20th century, topics in this course may include the phenomenology of Edmund Husserl and Maurice Merleau-Ponty, the ontological analyses of Martin Heidegger, the neo-Marxism of the Frankfurt School, the hermeneutics of Hans-Georg Gadamer and Paul Ricoeur, and the postmodernism of Jacques Derrida and Jean-Francois Lyotard. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Flynn, Gallagher, Traylor/Three credits

PHI 389  SPECIAL TOPICS IN CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY
This course studies a figure or school of philosophy not treated by other history of philosophy courses covering the Contemporary period. It fulfills the Area 4 History of Philosophy Requirement for Philosophy Majors and Minors. Content and pedagogical objectives of the course are similar to those described in PHI 354 above. Spring Semester. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 405  INDEPENDENT STUDY
Individually supervised study of a particular area of Philosophy. Offered only to highly qualified Juniors and Seniors. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course. Permission of the Chairperson is required in all cases.
Staff/Three credits

PHI 444  HONORS THESIS IN PHILOSOPHY
In this course the student will conduct the research project that was proposed and approved during the Honors Seminar (HON 300). The research project will be an original research thesis or creative work under the supervision of a faculty mentor. A summary of the capstone work will be presented at the Honors Colloquium at the end of the semester. This course will count as an elective in the Philosophy major. Prerequisites: PHI 100 and one intermediate (200) level course.
Staff/Three credits
Professor: Daniel J. Mahoney (Augustine Chair in Distinguished Scholarship); Associate Professors: Bernard J. Dobski (Chairperson), Geoffrey Vaughan, Director of the Fortin and Gonthier Foundations Program; Assistant Professors: Jeremy Geddert, Gregory Weiner; Lecturer: Mary Beth Burke.

MISSION STATEMENT
The major is designed to provide a comprehensive grounding in the fundamental principles and problems of a science whose relevance to contemporary life is immediate, yet whose tradition is venerable. Its concern is to help students become liberally educated men and women, rather than narrowly trained functionaries. Nevertheless, it prepares students in more than a general way for successful work in such fields as government service, international affairs, graduate study, journalism, law, teaching, publishing and business. The political science program consists of basic courses, open to all students, and advanced courses for all students except first-year students.

THE BASIC POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES ARE:

- POL 110 Political Issues for Americans: The Quest for Justice
- POL 201 American Government
- POL 203 Modern States
- POL 205 Political Philosophy
- POL 207 Peace and War

Selections from these basic courses may be counted toward the College’s social science core and/or as credit in a Political Science Major or Minor. The courses cover the major fields in Political Science, namely:

- American National Government—the constitutional founding, institutions and parties, constitutional law, civil rights, and political thought in the U.S.
- American Public Policy and Administration—political economy, urban politics, and democratic leadership.
- Major Foreign States—the institutions, practices, and traditions of European, Latin American, Asian, and African States.
- Political Philosophy—reflection on political life from Plato and Aristotle to Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Marx, and Nietzsche.
- International Politics—relations of peace and war among states, American foreign policy, and diplomacy.

Students are urged to plan a program of study by selecting from among major and elective courses those appropriate to their personal interests and objectives.

MAJOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (11)

Required Courses
- Four Intermediate courses (normally taken Sophomore year) (4)
  - POL 201 American Government
  - POL 203 Modern States
  - POL 205 Political Philosophy
  - POL 207 Peace and War
- One course from three of the following five areas (3)
  - POL 310–319 American National Government
  - POL 320–329 American Public Policy
  - POL 330–349 Major Foreign States
  - POL 350–359 Political Philosophy
  - POL 380–389 Political Philosophy
  - POL 370–379 International Politics
- Three courses from the rest of the departmental offerings at the introductory and upper levels (3)
- POL 409 Research Seminar (To be taken in the Fall of Senior year.)

NOTE: All first-year students who think they may major in Political Science or who have an interest in politics are urged to take POL 110 Political Issues: The Quest for Justice or any of the required intermediate courses listed above.

MINOR IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (6)

Students majoring in other fields may minor in Political Science by planning their program with a departmental advisor.

Of the six required courses, at least three of the following must be taken:
- POL 201 American Government
- POL 203 Modern States
- POL 205 Political Philosophy
- POL 207 Peace and War

For the three additional courses, two must be numbered above POL 207, producing a total of 18 credits of Political Science. The student must earn at least a C average in the courses in Political Science.

MINOR IN LEX: LAW, ETHICS AND CONSTITUTIONAL STUDIES (7)

Jointly sponsored by the Departments of Political Science and Philosophy, the LEX minor engages the law, ethics and constitutionalism through those thinkers and texts whose political, philosophical, and legal reflections have shaped the Western intellectual tradition. This minor is designed for those who want to acquire the liberal arts skills essential to professional and personal excellence, as well as to all those who
aspire to thoughtful citizenship. For more information, please consult the entry in “Interdisciplinary Programs” or contact its Director, Gregory S. Weiner, at gs.weiner@assumption.edu.

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW: The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. To see the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study,” students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

COURSE descriptions

POLITICAL SCIENCE (POL)

POL 110  POLITICAL ISSUES: THE QUEST FOR JUSTICE
This beginner’s course in political science provides an introduction to politics through a critical examination of a full range of political issues and of classic and contemporary texts that illuminate the ongoing human— and American— “quest for justice.” Classic works of political reflection, political literature, speeches and writings by statesmen, as well as contemporary American political debates on domestic and foreign policy will be analyzed to put the “issues” of politics in a broader and deeper perspective. Counts in the Core Curriculum as a social science. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

POL 150H–151H  FOUNDATIONS: ART AND POLITICS I AND II
A two-semester interdisciplinary course in politics and art. The two semesters concentrate on the study of the worlds of politics and art in ten successive periods of Western Civilization. The first semester studies Ancient Greece through the Renaissance. The second semester studies Modern Europe through 20th century Europe and the United States. Both semesters emphasize the reading and interpretation of texts about the major political and artistic principles in each historical period, as well as the viewing and analysis of slides of the major artistic works. Students earn three credits in politics and three credits in art. Taken as Political Science, these courses count as a social science in the Core Curriculum. (Same as ART 150–151) (Fall, Spring)
Burke, Vaughan/Three credits

POL 201  AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
This course is an introduction to the principles, institutions, and processes of American government. It focuses on our political principles, such as liberty, democracy, and equality, especially as reflected in our government institutions—Congress and the Executive and Judiciary branches—and in our extra-governmental institutions, such as political parties and interest groups. Consideration will also be given to major contemporary issues—free speech, racial and sexual equality, privacy—as expressions of debates over our principles. Open to all students. (Fall, Spring)
Weiner/Three credits

POL 203  MODERN STATES
A comparative analysis of major types of ancient and modern political systems, with an emphasis on the Western European liberal democracies of Great Britain and France and on the 20th century experience of totalitarian despotism. Open to all students. (Fall, Spring)
Geddert, Mahoney/Three credits

POL 205  POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
This course is an introduction to the nature and place of political philosophy in the philosophical thought and political life of Western Civilization. It examines the basic principles of political philosophy according to thinkers such as Plato, Aristotle, St. Augustine, Machiavelli, and Marx. Open to all students. (Fall, Spring)
Dobski, Vaughan/Three credits

POL 207  PEACE AND WAR
This course examines the role of war in human affairs, especially during the 20th century of “total war,” and at the outset of the 21st century. It considers why no enduring peace was achieved after the two world wars, the characteristics of international politics since the end of the Cold War, and the instruments for maintaining or restoring peace. Major interpretations of world politics are evaluated. (Fall, Spring)
Geddert, Dobski/Three credits

POL 311  AMERICAN POLITICAL THOUGHT
Historical survey of American political thought tracing development of the principles of American politics. Major works might include The Federalist Papers, Thomas Paine’s Common Sense, Alexis de Tocqueville’s Democracy in America, writings and speeches of Abraham Lincoln, Woodrow Wilson’s Congressional Government, and writings and speeches of Franklin D. Roosevelt. (Fall)
Weiner/Three credits

POL 312  THE AMERICAN FOUNDING
An investigation into the fundamental principles that informed the founding of the American political order and have subsequently oriented the American way of life. In seeking to understand those principles, we also examine the political and philosophical tradition that preceded the founding. (Fall)
Weiner/Three credits
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POL 314  THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY
This course examines the origin, nature, and development of the executive power in American national government. Included are comparisons with modern executive development in other forms of government.
Weiner/Three credits

POL 315  THE JUDICIARY
From safeguarding individual rights to ruling on the constitutionality of laws, the judiciary occupies a central place in both evaluating and even shaping political life today. It is a role vastly transformed from the relatively modest one the Constitutional founders anticipated. This course explores both how the judiciary does and should operate in the constitutional order, covering issues like judicial politics and behavior, theories of constitutional interpretation and the historical development of the Supreme Court’s role in American political life.
Weiner/Three credits

POL 316  CONSTITUTIONAL LAW
The role of the Supreme Court in the American political system. Constitutional powers and limitations, with primary emphasis on judicial interpretations of the 1st and 14th amendments.
Weiner/Three credits

POL 317  AMERICAN CONGRESS
The press, political scientists and public obsess over the Presidency today, but it is the Congress—the First Branch—that was assumed to be the center of gravity in the American Constitutional order. Instead, Congress today is much maligned and often even ignored—and Congress itself may be complicit in its own decline. This course explores why—including such questions as how Congress was intended to operate, how it operates today, how its members both ought to and do behave, critiques of the legislative branch and proposals for reform.
Weiner/Three credits

POL 318  PROBLEMS IN CIVIL LIBERTIES
This course will take up in detail some important problems in the field of civil liberties. These problems will include the meaning and scope of the freedoms of speech and religion, including such issues as seditious speech, obscenity, school prayer, parochial school aid, and free exercise of religion. (Spring)
Weiner/Three credits

POL 321  PUBLIC POLICY
This course examines selected major contemporary national problems of the U.S. and the federal policies designed to deal with them. Particular problems considered might include poverty, welfare, the economy, education, health, transportation, consumer protection, environmental protection, and energy. It considers the interaction between parts of the government and between government and interest groups, in formulating and executing public policy. It evaluates the thinking of those who have advocated and opposed the expansion of government responsibility for a large range of social action. (Spring)
Burke/Three credits

POL 319  THE JUDICIARY
The purpose of this course is to clarify the tradition of political economy, to understand its foundations and historical permutations, and to study its relationship and pertinence to pressing public policy concerns of our time. The relationship between “political” and “economic” phenomena and analysis will be investigated. The course focuses on the origins of political economy in moral and political reflection rather than in abstract “scientific” considerations. Authors to be studied include Smith, Marx, Keynes, de Jouvenel, Hayek, and Berger. (Fall)
Geddert, Mahoney/Three credits

POL 322  POLITICAL ECONOMY
This course is intended as an introduction to the study of democratic statesmanship, or political leadership in a democratic political regime. The primary emphasis will be on the study of the rhetoric and actions of leading American presidents, as well as leading figures from antiquity and from modern Britain and France.
Mahoney/Three credits

POL 323  POLITICAL LEADERSHIP
This course will consider the role of bureaucracy in federal, state, and local government. It will analyze the place of administration in a constitutional system of separated powers. It will trace briefly the origins and evolution of the study and practice of public administration. The relationship of the bureaucracy to the other branches of government, the political and ethical dimensions of administration, the organization and operation of bureaucracy, and the politics of the budgetary process will all be highlighted.
Burke/Three credits

POL 324  PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Scholars who have studied the 20th century say that far more people were killed by their own governments during this time than by foreign enemies in wars. This course examines this phenomenon and compares selected major cases of political mass murder, including the Jewish holocaust, great state induced famines under Stalin and Mao, the killing fields of Cambodia, genocide in Rwanda and Sudan and ethnic cleansing in Bosnia. It considers how outside powers, especially the U.S. and U.N., have responded, when they intervene and how effectively, when and why they refrain from acting, and whether moral principles or international law permit or oblige states to intervene.
Dobski, Mahoney/Three credits.
POL 351  CLASSICAL POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
Study of the origins and principles of political philosophy in the works of Homer, Herodotus, Thucydides, Plato, Xenophon, and Aristotle. Relevant works by Roman-era philosophers and historians (Cicero, Plutarch, Seneca, Sallust, Tacitus and Livy) may also be studied.
Dobski/Three credits

POL 352  EARLY MODERN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
A study of political theories from Machiavelli through Locke which have presented themselves as critical alternatives to classical political philosophy. Selected texts by Machiavelli, Bacon, Hobbes, Locke.
Vaughan/Three credits

POL 353  IDEOLOGY AND REVOLUTION
A study of modern revolutions and their connection to "ideologies" which promise a fundamental transformation of political life. We examine the political history of the French and Soviet Revolutions to understand the originality of ideological revolution as distinct from traditional political revolutions which have had more limited aims. The course also compares totalitarian dysfunctions with traditional forms of dictatorship. The anti-totalitarian Revolutions of 1989 in Eastern Europe are also considered.
Mahoney/Three credits

POL 354  CLASSIC UTOPIAS
A study of the classic works promoting or denigrating ideal societies: Thomas More's Utopia, Francis Bacon's New Atlantis, Marx and Engels' Communist Manifesto, George Orwell's 1984, and Aldous Huxley's Brave New World. The course addresses such topics as what utopianism is, its various forms, its critics, and how it affects political practice.
Dobski, Mahoney/Three credits

POL 371  FOREIGN POLICY AND DIPLOMACY
This course examines the making and character of the foreign policies of major states in the world today. This study is made against a background consideration of Thucydides' interpretation of relations between states, the nature and development of diplomatic practice, and the impact of modern Western civilization on the contemporary world.
Mahoney/Three credits

POL 375  THE STUDY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
This course will analyze the variety of approaches to the study of international politics. Different methodological approaches, drawing on political philosophy, political history, and the social sciences, will be considered. Principal emphasis will be placed on the ethical dimensions of international relations. Prominent analysts and philosophers of international relations, such as Thucydides, Machiavelli, Waltz, and Aron will be analyzed.
Geddert, Mahoney/Three credits

POL 376  TERRORISM AND THE MODERN WORLD
An introduction to modern-day terrorism and the challenges it poses to contemporary political life. This course distinguishes three ways in which terrorism manifests itself in the modern world, capturing the difference between those who see terror as an end in itself, those who use terror as an instrument to achieve political goals, and those who understand terrorism to serve "otherworldly", or non-political, ends. Students will examine how these manifestations of modern terrorism vary from each other in their origins, historical development, the justifications they employ, the goals they pursue, and the tactics, targets and technologies that they use. The course concludes with an inquiry into the West's responses to terrorism. (Fall)
Dobski/Three credits

POL 377  THE POLITICS OF JUST WARS
Are "just wars" possible? This class examines reflections on just war thinking at the core of the political, military, religious and philosophic traditions within Western civilization, and how they apply to contemporary reflections on human rights and international law. It begins with military justifications from classical antiquity, moving to the origins of just war theorizing in the early Church, Judaism and Islam. It then weighs the most serious criticisms of the moral and political teachings of the classical and Christian world posed by the "Catholic New Left," feminist political theory, Islamist terrorism, and the allure of a world without borders. (Spring)
Dobski, Geddes/Three credits

POL 381  SHAKESPEARE'S POLITICS
Perhaps transcending the distinction between theorist and poet, Shakespeare has given the world dramatic portrayals of the most enduring human problems. This course will focus on one of those problems through a careful reading of Shakespeare's "Roman Plays" and his epic poem The Rape of Lucrece. To be precise, it will explore the relationship between the preconditions for healthy political life and an imperial politics widely believed to represent politics at its most diseased. Attention will also be paid to Shakespeare's understanding of political forms and how the differences in those forms impact the content and direction of political communities. (Spring)
Dobski, Geddes/Three credits

POL 382  POLITICS AND LITERATURE
Literature, such as the epic, the novel, or tragic or comic drama, has always been central to the entertainment and self-understanding of a democratic people. This course studies a series of writers who illuminate the nature of democracy and tyranny in the modern world.
Mahoney/Three credits

POL 399  SPECIAL TOPICS: STATESMEN AND TYRANTS
This course will explore the heights and depths of political life: the statesman who defends liberty and pursues the
common good and the tyrant who destroys free political life and mutilates the human soul. Figures to be explored include Washington, Napoleon, Lincoln, Lenin, Stalin, Churchill, de Gaulle, Mao, Vaclav Havel and Nelson Mandela. (Spring) Mahoney/Three credits

POL 400 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Open to highly qualified Junior and Senior Political Science majors. Permission of the Chairperson is required. Staff/Three credits

POL 409 RESEARCH SEMINAR
This course, offered in fall semesters, is required of majors in their senior year. The seminar investigates some fundamental enduring themes of political life and facilitates student planning and pursuit of projects related to these themes. Students submit a final paper demonstrating the ability to conduct research and analysis in political science. This year's Senior Seminar is entitled "Tocqueville on Democracy and Revolution." (Fall) Mahoney/Three credits

MISSION STATEMENT
Psychology is a science concerned with mind and behavior. The psychology program introduces students to a variety of ways to understand cognition, emotion, and behavior. In addition, the program prepares students for various career paths within psychology (human service jobs, graduate study) or in other professions (business, education, public service). The curriculum requires students to sample from diverse courses that provide the foundation for understanding the major concepts and theoretical perspectives of psychology. Students also develop skills for understanding and conducting psychological research. The curriculum promotes personal growth and development and challenges students to critically evaluate complex social issues. Students can explore opportunities for independent research and work in supervised fieldwork placements. The department apprises students of the many fields with which psychology shares borders of concern and inquiry in the pursuit of knowledge.

Description of Our Program
The goal of our program is to introduce students to the breadth of the discipline and give them the opportunity to develop competence, both as scientists and practitioners. As a consequence, our curriculum requires students to sample from core courses like developmental psychology, social psychology, cognitive psychology, and abnormal psychology. Students are also required to complete courses to provide the foundation for conducting psychological research. In addition, students are given opportunities to explore more specialized areas within the field like child psychopathology, interpersonal communication, stereotypes and prejudice, or psychology of women. Students are encouraged to explore opportunities for independent research with faculty members and work in supervised fieldwork placements where psychological services are provided. Students are encouraged to work closely with a member of the psychology faculty to develop a program that will best satisfy their intellectual, vocational, and personal interests.

Learning Outcomes
We expect that our students will develop a strong psychological knowledge base, sharpen their critical thinking and communication skills, understand psychological applications and research methods, develop a socio-cultural awareness, and plan effectively for their career, academic, and personal futures.

MAJOR IN PSYCHOLOGY
Candidates for the Psychology Major must complete eleven Psychology courses.

Required Courses (11)
- PSY 101 General Psychology (normally taken in the first year)
- PSY 225 Research Methods in Psychology (normally taken sophomore year)
- PSY 265 Statistics (normally taken sophomore year)
- PSY 400 Research Seminar (normally taken senior year)

Group I Two Courses From Among:
- PSY 116 Abnormal Psychology
- PSY 140 Psychology of Personality
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood
- PSY 210 Social Psychology

Group I courses are generally taken by first-year students and sophomores.

Group II Two Courses From Among:
- PSY 353 Psychology of Learning
- PSY 335 Motivation and Emotion
- PSY 350 Perception
- PSY 351 Physiological Psychology
- PSY 352 Cognitive Psychology

All Group II courses carry PSY 101 General Psychology as a prerequisite and may be taken once this prerequisite is met.

Elective Courses (3)
Three courses beyond those listed above are required to complete the major and may be chosen from any of the Departmental offerings. Students should select electives in consultation with a faculty member in the Psychology Department in order to assure a choice most appropriate for each student’s program of study. (Additional Group I and II courses, therefore, can be selected as electives, and this is encouraged by the Department.) In addition, WMS-385 (Women of the World) can be used as an elective credit.

MAJOR IN PSYCHOLOGY WITH A CONCENTRATION IN BRAIN, BEHAVIOR, AND COGNITION
This concentration focuses the psychology major on courses relevant to the interactions of brain function, cognition, and behavior. This concentration is ideal for students interested in applying to graduate programs in cognition, neuroscience, or certain clinical programs focused on the biological basis of psychopathology.
The major can be combined with further study in natural sciences, and with careful planning it is possible to pursue a second major or a minor in one of these disciplines. Students who choose this concentration are also encouraged to do internships or independent studies in laboratories studying psychophysiology, neurobiology, or the biological basis of behavior.

**Required Courses (14)**

All of the below courses are required. In addition to these, concentrators will need to take one additional Psychology elective in order to complete the Psychology major.

It is highly recommended that interested students declare their intention to concentrate in Cognitive and Brain Science by the beginning of their junior year. Students are advised to take the Foundations in Biological Science courses in their sophomore or junior year. Students are further recommended to take Physiological Psychology (offered in the fall) in their junior year, and to complete the two Neuroscience Capstones in their senior year.

**Foundations of Psychological Science**
- PSY 101 General Psychology
- PSY 225 Research Methods
- PSY 265 Statistics
- PSY 400 Research Seminar

**Foundations of Biological Science**
- BIO 160 Concepts in Biology
- BIO 210 Genetics

**Foundations of Social, Cognitive, & Affective Neuroscience**
- PSY 116 Abnormal Psychology
- PSY 210 Social Psychology
- PSY 335 Motivation and Emotion
- PSY 351 Physiological Psychology
- PSY 352 Cognitive Psychology

**Neuroscience Capstones**
- PSY 402 Social, Cognitive, and Affective Neuroscience
- BIO 415 Principles of Neuroscience

**Suggested (But Not Required) Courses:**
- PSY 350 Perception
- PSY 310 Stereotypes and Prejudice
- PSY 325 Clinical Psychology

**MINOR IN PSYCHOLOGY (6)**

Candidates for the Psychology minor must complete six Psychology courses approved by the Chairperson.

**Required Courses**
- PSY 101 General Psychology (normally taken during the first year)

**Group I One Course From Among:**
- PSY 116 Abnormal Psychology
- PSY 140 Psychology of Personality
- PSY 190 Psychology of Development: Infancy and Childhood
- PSY 210 Social Psychology

Group I courses are generally taken by first-year students and Sophomores.

**Group II One Course From Among:**
- PSY 353 Psychology of Learning
- PSY 335 Motivation and Emotion
- PSY 350 Perception
- PSY 351 Physiological Psychology
- PSY 352 Cognitive Psychology

Group II courses carry PSY 101, General Psychology, as a prerequisite and may be taken once this prerequisite is met.

**Elective Courses**

Three additional courses are required to complete the minor and may be chosen from any of the Departmental offerings. Students should select electives in consultation with a faculty member in the Psychology Department in order to assure a choice most appropriate for each student's program of study. (Additional Group I and II courses, therefore, can be selected as electives and this is encouraged by the Department.) In Addition, WMS 385 (Women of the World) can be used as an elective credit.

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**COURSE descriptions**

**PSYCHOLOGY (PSY)**

**PSY 101 GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY**

In this introduction to psychology, students learn the language, methods, theoretical perspectives, and research of the discipline. This course introduces students to a range of topics within psychology, such as the biological and social
bases of behavior, as well as basic principles of perception, learning, and motivation. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

**PSY 116  ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY**
This course provides students with a detailed description and analysis of the forms of behavior seen as abnormal in our contemporary culture. Research relevant to and theoretical perspectives on these disorders are presented. Throughout the course students are asked to consider the implications of being labeled abnormal and to apply their knowledge to individual cases. (Fall, Spring)
Lyubchik/Three credits

**PSY 140  PSYCHOLOGY OF PERSONALITY**
The course surveys several important theories of personality with the goal of helping students explain human behavior from a variety of perspectives. Historically significant theories, as well as recent interpretations of personality formation and dynamics, will be presented. (Fall, Spring)
Zhang/Three credits

**PSY 181  PSYCHOLOGY OF ADOLESCENCE AND MATURITY**
The course will examine a wide range of issues in adolescence, such as historical perspectives on adolescence, biological changes, cognitive development, parenting styles and family dynamics, moral development, drug abuse, and psychological disorders of adolescence. The issues will be illustrated and further developed through the use of several case studies. (Fall, Spring)
Sanderson/Three credits

**PSY 186  PSYCHOLOGY OF AGING**
This course is aimed at giving undergraduate students an exposure to the multiple facets of the aging experience within a lifespan developmental perspective. While an overview of the basic research on biological, psychological, and social aspects of aging will be presented, this course will attempt an integration of the material through an exploration of the salient issues faced by the individual elderly person and a society dealing with an increasingly aged population. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

**PSY 190  PSYCHOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT: INFANCY AND CHILDHOOD**
This course examines human growth and development during infancy and childhood. Emphasis is placed on the relationship between theory, research, and the application of knowledge in child development. Different theoretical perspectives (psychoanalytic, behavioral, cognitive-developmental), current research on selected topics (e.g., day care, cross-cultural differences in child rearing), and ways to encourage optimal growth in children at home, with friends, and at school are reviewed. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements. (Fall, Spring)
Kalpidou/Three credits

**PSY 208  PRACTICUM IN RESIDENT ADVISING AND PEER ASSISTANCE**
This course is intended primarily for resident advisors and peer assistants to have additional opportunity beyond their basic training to explore the developmental stages of young adults (ages 18–24) in a college setting. In order to facilitate the student’s experiential learning and growth as a resident advisor or peer assistant, a variety of developmental models and theorists, such as Maslow, Kohlberg, Gilligan, and Chickering, will be presented and discussed. Course work will include readings, papers, group discussion, and course projects which emphasize practical applications of areas studied. Particular attention will be given to such issues as appropriate peer intervention in crisis situations, referral procedures, substance use/abuse, sexuality, conflict management, and maximizing potential for personal growth during the college years. This course is intended for resident advisors and peer assistants with a special interest in understanding the development of college-age individuals. (Fall)
Castronovo, Crimmin/Three credits

**PSY 210  SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY**
This course will examine theoretical and empirical contributions in the field of social psychology. Specific topics to be covered include social perception, social cognition, attitudes, theories of self, interpersonal relations, group processes, aggression, pro-social behavior, and how social psychology can be applied to everyday life. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements. (Fall, Spring)
Parmley/Three credits

**PSY 211  PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGION**
An introduction to the study of the psychology of religion with special emphasis on religious development, religious expressions of psychological problems, perspectives on religious maturity, and the works of C.G. Jung and William James. (Spring)
Sanderson/Three credits

**PSY 214  PSYCHOLOGY OF IDENTITY AND SEXUALITY**
An attempt to understand the individual and collective dimensions of identity from the perspectives of psychology and cultural anthropology, with a special focus on rites of passage into adulthood and marriage in primitive cultures and our culture, including the effects of failed rites of passage on identity formation and social structure. With regard to sexual identity, in addition to a focus on how gender issues and gender wounds affect self-image and interpersonal relationships, we will examine issues in sexual development, sexual identity, sexual exploitation, and sexual harassment/abuse. (Spring)
Sanderson/Three credits
PSY 215  PSYCHOLOGY OF DREAMS
This course will begin by studying the physiology and psychology of sleep, sleep disorders, and dreams. We will look at various theories concerning the meaningfulness of dreams from a cross-cultural perspective, including a study of the religious dimension of dreams. Students will be asked to do an extensive interpretation of several dreams utilizing the various perspectives (Freudian, Jungian, and existential) we have learned in class. (Fall)
Sanderson/Three credits

PSY 217  PSYCHOLOGY OF WOMEN
This course will acquaint students with the unique experiences and challenges faced by women and girls as they move through the complex process of psychological development. Questions of gender identity, socialization, sex-role stereotyping, and self-image will be among the topics discussed. In addition, many of the important roles filled by women throughout the lifespan will be addressed, along with circumstances, such as poverty and domestic violence, that undermine the well-being of women in American society. Primary source material as well as textbook readings will be required along with class presentations, reflective essays, and a biography analysis project, among other assignments. (Fall)

Three credits

PSY 220  INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION
This course introduces students to basic theoretical issues, research findings, and practical strategies in the field of interpersonal communication. The course examines the processes through which people collaboratively construct shared understandings in conversation, including discussion of how ideas about the self are shaped and expressed in dialogue with others. Through readings, discussion, and exercises, the class will work toward an understanding of how effective communication patterns, as well as problematic patterns, arise in the course of person-to-person interaction. (Fall, Spring)
Vadum/Three credits

PSY 225W  RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY
The purpose of this course is to explore the logic and methods used in psychological research (e.g., control, measurement, correlation, and experimental design) as well as the practical (e.g., developing hypotheses, presenting findings in a written format) and ethical concerns involved in conducting empirical studies. Prerequisite: PSY 101. (Fall, Spring)
Vadum/Three credits

PSY 230  POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGY: PSYCHOLOGY OF WELL-BEING
This course explores contemporary research in positive psychology, neuroscience, and psychology of religion on how spirituality (mindfulness, meditation, religion), and positive emotions, activities, and traits impact well-being. This course invites students to understand factors that allow an individual to thrive and lead a meaningful and fulfilling life. Students will read both science and non-science sources to understand the neuroscience that lends empirical validation to our understanding of what constitutes a “good life”. Students will also participate in experiential exercises to apply course concepts to their own lives, develop knowledge to live well, and contribute to their communities. This course helps students integrate knowledge across specializations in psychology (positive psychology, psychology of religion, neuroscience) as well as across disciplines (e.g., philosophy and theology). Students will be challenged to think about how the claims of faith can be integrated with and/or compared to science as they explore the complementarity of faith and reason. (Fall, Spring)
Fitzpatrick/Three credits

PSY 265  STATISTICS
This course is an introduction to statistical methods used in behavioral research. The course will cover both inferential and descriptive statistics, with an emphasis on the conceptual understanding of how to use statistics to summarize and evaluate information. This course counts as a second Math course in the Core curriculum. (Fall, Spring)
Parmley, Zhang/Three credits

PSY 285  WOMEN’S STUDIES I: IMAGES
This course is an introduction to the study of women. The course will develop a coherent, integrated view of women and their roles, emphasize the full range of contributions of and the limited opportunities for women, examine and appraise the experiences of women, and critically examine the thinking about women at various times and from various perspectives. The basic approach is interdisciplinary, and the concentration of the course is on women in North America from the 19th century to the present. This is the same course as HIS 285, and SOC 285. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements. (Fall, Spring)
Choquette, Farough, Gazin-Schwartz, Kisatsky, Leone, Parmley/Three credits

PSY 286  ORGANIZATIONAL AND INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY
This course undertakes a survey of current theory and practice in the field of industrial psychology. Topics covered include personnel issues, leadership, motivation and satisfaction, and communications. Emphasis will be placed on the person in the work environment at all levels. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

PSY 295  PSYCHOLOGY OF DEVIANCE
This course is concerned with a critical analysis of the meaning of deviance. It examines socially undesirable deviance, for example, mental disorder, white-collar crime, crime in the streets, and juvenile delinquency, as well as social innovation. The theories and research considered will focus on the process whereby an individual in our culture acquires and adjusts to a deviant status, as well as how society defines and reacts to deviance. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits
PSY 301  INTERNSHIP IN PSYCHOLOGY
This course is designed to give students exposure to the many roles psychologists currently play in the community. Students are expected to spend 8 to 10 hours per week working in a clinical or research setting off-campus for 13 weeks. This translates into 100 hours of placement time. It is important to have one full day or two half days available to complete the field-based component of the course. In addition, students are required to attend a weekly seminar. Students have to secure their own internships prior to the start of the semester. Prerequisites: Limited to Junior and Senior Psychology majors and minors. Prerequisite: PSY 101. (Spring), Kuersten-Hogan

Three credits

PSY 309  COMMON PROBLEMS IN CHILDHOOD
Parents and child practitioners often encounter children’s problems that may not necessarily reflect psychopathology. This course is an in-depth study of the challenges that children face, the guidelines for determining when a behavior is a cause of concern, and how problems can be addressed. Students will explore the psychological, biological, and social roots of difficult phases of development such as difficulty to grow, bed-wetting, problems with sleeping and eating, common anxiety problems and fears, bad habits, and problems in self-regulation and social behavior. Prerequisite: PSY 190 (Spring)

Kalpidou/Three credits

PSY 310  STEREOTYPES AND PREJUDICE
This course will examine the current theories and methodologies focused on understanding stereotyping, prejudice, and discrimination. The origins of stereotypes and prejudicial attitudes, and how affective, motivational, and cognitive processes might be involved will be discussed. To explore these issues, the course will examine how stereotypes are assessed, discuss the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches, and present a multi-method approach for assessing stereotypes and prejudice. Topics in the course include: reasons for the persistence and prevalence of stereotypes and prejudice, understanding psychological processes underlying prejudice directed toward a variety of social groups, and possible ways to change group stereotypes or reduce prejudice. Finally, psychology’s current understanding of why people use and apply stereotypes in their everyday behavior and thinking will be investigated. Prerequisite. PSY 210 (Spring)

Parmley/Three credits

PSY 316  ABNORMAL CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHOLOGY
This course will provide an understanding of various forms of psychopathology in children and adolescents. It is intended as an overview of the taxonomy of childhood disorders with many videotaped examples of different disorders to help apply knowledge to actual cases. Different theoretical models used to explain how psychopathology develops in children will be presented and the role of home and school environment, child gender, ethnicity, culture, and socioeconomic status will be explored. In addition to learning about the characteristics of various psychological disorders in youngsters, a review of the research into the causes and outcomes of mental disorders in children and adolescents will be explored. Finally, special challenges in diagnosis, assessment, and treatment of psychological disorders in children are highlighted. This seminar-style course includes lectures but heavily emphasizes class discussions, student presentations, and case studies. Prerequisites: PSY 116, PSY 190 (Fall)

Kuersten-Hogan/Three credits

PSY 325  CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY
This course is a consideration of the history, problems, and techniques of clinical psychology. Research and theoretical issues related to clinical assessment and different methods of psychotherapy are examined. Prerequisite: PSY 101, PSY 116. (Fall, Spring)

Toscano, Lyubchik/Three credits

PSY 335  MOTIVATION AND EMOTION
This course will examine theoretical and empirical contributions to the understanding of human motivation and emotion. Specific topics to be covered include the psychological bases of motivation and emotion, the motivational-emotional bases of sex and aggression, the development of emotion regulation, the communication of emotion, and the social and cognitive influences on motivation and emotion. Prerequisite: PSY 101. (Fall, Spring)

Cavanagh/Three credits

PSY 350  PERCEPTION
The main purpose of this course is to gain an appreciation of the importance of our sensory and perceptual systems in making us uniquely psychological beings. Throughout the semester, we will explore what it means to gain a scientific understanding of these systems. We will consider a number of different perspectives for addressing these issues regarding perceptual processes, as well as different methods and procedures for testing sensory responses and perceptual experiences. Students will actively be involved in participating in computer-based experiments, perceptual simulations, and internet assignments. In addition, time will be spent reading and discussing articles to illustrate the everyday importance of our perceptual systems. Sensory disorders and deficits such as hearing loss, loss of proprioception, phantom limbs, and visual agnosia will be discussed. Prerequisite: PSY 101. (Fall)

Fitzpatrick/Three credits

PSY 351  PSYCHOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY
In this course, stress is placed on determining the contributions and limitations of psychological psychology in understanding behaviors, such as perception and thinking, psychosomatic disorders, learning, and emotion. Prerequisite: PSY 101. This course fulfills the Core Requirement for a science without a lab. (Fall)

Cavanagh/Three credits
PSY 352  COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY
The purpose of this course is to give each student an opportunity to consider what it means to have knowledge and to explore how it is possible to have a scientific understanding of what it means to think. We will discuss a number of historical and contemporary theories of how we acquire, store, and use information about the world. The importance and relevance of these ideas will be explored by studying their application in diverse fields, such as artificial intelligence, law, neuroscience, health, and aging. Prerequisite: PSY 101. (Spring)
Fitzpatrick/Three credits

PSY 353  PSYCHOLOGY OF LEARNING
The purpose of this course is to provide students with a grounding in important principles of learning, such as conditioning, extinction, generalization, and discrimination. The behavioral approach of B.F. Skinner is predominant throughout the course, although the concepts of important learning theorists such as Thorndike, Tolman, and Hull are also presented. In addition, the philosophical underpinnings of a learning-based model of human behavior and the complex questions of freedom and determinism raised by modern behaviorism are addressed in the course. Prerequisite: PSY 101. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/Three credits

PSY 399  INDEPENDENT STUDY
Open to qualified Junior and Senior Psychology majors with permission of the instructor, the Chairperson, and the Dean of Studies. (Fall, Spring)
Staff/One to Three credits

PSY 400  RESEARCH SEMINAR
This seminar is a continuation of PSY 225 focusing on more advanced problems of research design and analysis. Students are required to design and conduct a research project during the course of the semester. (Senior and Junior Psychology majors) Prerequisite: PSY 225, 265. (Fall, Spring)
Fitzpatrick, Kalpidou, Parmley, Zhang/Three credits

PSY 401  SENIOR SEMINAR
This course is designed to offer the student an opportunity to integrate concepts introduced in previous psychology courses and to examine one psychological issue in depth. The course format will vary with instructors. Prerequisite: Senior and Junior Psychology majors. (Spring)
Staff/Three credits

PSY 402  SOCIAL, COGNITIVE, AND AFFECTIVE NEUROSCIENCE
This upper-level seminar course will lead students to understand and critique contemporary peer-reviewed research in the fields of social, cognitive, and affective neuroscience. After a brief review of brain anatomy and technologies used to study the live human brain, we will critically examine a number of representative research articles in the aforementioned domains. Topics of interest will include topics such as the neural substrates of consciousness, prejudice, language, emotion, and psychopathology. Requirements for the course include PSY 351 Physiological Psychology (or permission of instructor). (Spring)
Cavanagh/Three credits
MISSION STATEMENT

The Department of Sociology, Criminology and Anthropology seeks to educate students about the richness and diversity of social life and prepare them for professional careers. Department faculty offer students opportunities to cultivate the development of sociological, criminological, and anthropological perspectives, which link the individual to history, society and culture. We accomplish this through a variety of pedagogical practices both inside and outside of the classroom, enhancing critical intelligence (independent thinking), fostering compassionate service, and encouraging students to become informed, deliberative and engaged citizens.

Drawing on the theoretical and analytical tools of sociology, criminology and anthropology, students are taught to use the results of empirical investigation to look under the surface of social phenomena and to probe the taken-for-granted social world in which they live. Developing the requisite skills to accomplish this also prepares students to compete successfully in the 21st century global economy where critical thinking, writing, and oral communication are at a premium.

The Department of Sociology, Criminology and Anthropology contributes to a liberal arts education within the context of Catholic intellectual traditions by encouraging self-discovery and promoting social justice. The department educates students to understand their world and encourages them to work for social change.

LEARNING GOALS:
The Department of Sociology, Criminology, and Anthropology has identified the following specific learning goals for our students:

1) To develop an understanding of sociological, criminological, and anthropological approaches to analyzing and addressing the complex interactions between individuals and societal, historical and cultural forces;
2) To appreciate the diverse ways of being human and understand the need for multicultural awareness;
3) To better understand how social inequality is based upon divisions of class, race, ethnicity, gender, age and sexual orientation;
4) To gain awareness of how concerns for social justice guide movements and policies for social change;
5) To develop critical thinking skills, and to acquire the written and oral communication skills necessary for successful careers and postgraduate education;
6) To gain specific competencies in theory, research methodology and analysis;
7) To engage in learning outside the classroom through community service learning and internship opportunities and extracurricular activities such as lectures, workshops, and “teach-ins.”

MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY (12)
The Major in Sociology engages students in critical analyses of social structures, social interactions, and the linkages between the two. Through courses and extracurricular activities, department faculty provide students with ways to think critically about their world, their society, and themselves. Students acquire new and different ways of looking at the human community, including: an appreciation of the social patterning of behavior; an understanding of the development of communities; an awareness of the functions and dysfunctions of societal institutions; and a deeper comprehension of the diverse ways of being human.

The program of studies in Sociology and Anthropology seeks to contribute to the liberal arts experience by encouraging the discovery of one’s self and one’s relationship to, and responsibilities for, others. The program is designed to allow students to explore sociological contributions to understanding social change and to solving social problems. A wide variety of internship opportunities are available to students. Through these internship placements and the department’s course offerings, students may discover a variety of options for future careers. A major in Sociology prepares students for graduate study in the field of Sociology, as well as for graduate study in related fields such as social work, urban planning and policy analysis, gerontology, education, law, journalism, and criminal justice. The Sociology and Anthropology program also provides an important background for a wide range of occupations in which knowledge of human behavior, social relationships, and institutional practices is important.

In acquiring competencies in the methodological and theoretical approaches of Sociology and Anthropology, students have the opportunity to explore human relations in their most fundamental as well as their broadest scope, from the dynamic intimacy of small groups to the structures of entire societies.

Required Courses (6)

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ELECTIVE COURSES (6)
Six elective courses in Sociology and Anthropology. These six courses must include at least one course from three of the four content areas listed below:

Social Inequality
- ANT 254 North American Indian
- SOC 122 Social Problems
- SOC 216 Racial and Ethnic Relations
- SOC 224 Gender Issues in Society
- SOC 225 Literature of Social Responsibility
- SOC 230 Aging in Society
- SOC 232 Social Inequality in Society
- SOC 285 Women’s Studies I: Images
- WMS 385 Women of the World

Institutions and Community
- ANT 220 Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion
- ANT 231 Environmental Anthropology
- SOC 206 The Sociology of Urban Life
- SOC 223 The Family in Society
- SOC 365 Internship Seminar I

Social Change
- ANT 255 From Contact to Casinos
- SOC 108 World Population Issues
- SOC 218 Social Movements
- SOC 234 Social Policy
- SOC 236 Social Justice in a Global Community
- SOC 295 Masculinities

Deviance:
- CRM/SOC 242 Criminology
- CRM/SOC 243 Juvenile Delinquency
- CRM/SOC 272 Deviant Behavior

ADVISING
Upon selecting Sociology as a major program of study, the student will review her or his academic progress with the Departmental Chairperson. At this time, the student will select an advisor from the department who will help the student develop a program in the major. Because the electives must be taken from different content areas within the discipline, we strongly recommend a departmental advisor who can help guide the student. Departmental advisors can also help students who wish to concentrate within the discipline of sociology.

MAJOR IN CRIMINOLOGY (13)
The major in Criminology is anchored in the discipline of sociology. Consequently, it provides students with a theoretically sophisticated understanding of crime as a social phenomenon, both regarding its causes and its consequences for society. Coursework in the major encompasses the study of how laws are made (the sociology of law), why some people break those laws (theories of crime), and the societal reaction to law-breaking behavior by the criminal justice system (the field of penology). Students who major in Criminology gain both a broad and deep understanding of the history of the field of criminology as an academic discipline, exposure to the theories of legal creation, knowledge of the sociological, biological, and psychological theories that offer explanations for why people engage in criminal behavior, and an appreciation of how the criminal justice system operates—from the time of arrest by the police, through formal processing by the courts, and extending to sanctioning (incarceration and supervision).

As a social science with its roots in sociology, the Criminology major is based on the same core requirements as the sociology major. As a result of this disciplinary grounding in sociology, the Criminology major emphasizes the central importance of students gaining proficiency in social science research methods and sociological theories. Students who major in Criminology design, execute, and present a senior research project relevant to the field in the required two-semester Internship Seminar, taken in the senior year. In addition, the required Internship Seminar provides opportunities for experiential learning in agencies and organizations within the criminal justice system or closely allied professions (e.g., victim services agencies).

Students who complete the major in Criminology are prepared for graduate study in criminology, criminal justice, related social sciences, and the law. Should graduates aspire to more immediate employment opportunities, the Criminology major prepares them for careers in law enforcement, institutional corrections, probation and parole, in social and human service agencies that deal with crime victims, or in a number of diversion and treatment programs that are designed to provide alternatives to incarceration, especially for juvenile offenders.

Required Courses (8)
- SOC 121 Principles of Sociology
- CRM/SOC 130 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System
- SOC/CRM/ANT 465 Sociological Research Methods
- SOC/CRM 300 Statistics
- CRM/SOC 242 Criminology
- CRM/SOC 272 Deviant Behavior
- CRM/SOC/ANT 365 Internship I
- CRM/ANT 366 Internship II

Elective Courses (5) Two from Law and Society and three from Structural Factors.

Law and Society
- CRM/SOC 243 Juvenile Delinquency
- CRM/SOC 275 Sociology of Law
CRM/SOC 325  Victimology
POL 316  Constitutional Law

Structural Factors
SOC 206  The Sociology of Urban Life
SOC 216  Racial and Ethnic Relations
SOC 232  Social Inequality in Society
SOC 224  Gender Issues in Society
SOC 295  Masculinities
SOC 234  Social Policy

Suggested Sequence:
Freshman and Sophomore Years
Principles of Sociology
Introduction to Criminal Justice System
Elective

Junior Year
Fall  Criminology
Two electives

Spring  Sociological Research Methods
Deviance
Elective

Senior Year
Fall  Statistics
Internship I

Spring  Internship II
Elective

Students may double major in Sociology and Criminology.

**MINOR IN SOCIOLOGY (6)**
Students who wish to minor in Sociology will be required to take 18 credits in the field. These must include Principles of Sociology (SOC 121) and Sociological Theory (SOC/ANT 350). Cultural Anthropology (ANT 131) is the only Anthropology course that may be counted toward the Sociology Minor. Students majoring in Psychology, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies, History, Political Science, Economics, Spanish, pre-medicine, and Global Studies may find such a minor particularly useful.

**MINOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY (6)**
Students who wish to minor in Anthropology will be required to take 18 credits in the field. The program must be planned with a departmental advisor. Required courses are ANT 131 and either ANT 130 or ANT 132. The other four courses may be chosen from other offerings in Anthropology or Linguistics, or pertinent courses in other social sciences, with the advisor’s approval. To maximize work in Anthropology, students should consider the minor with a Sociology Major. To investigate this option more thoroughly, students should consult with Professor Amy Gazin-Schwartz, Kennedy 213, x 7224.

A NOTE ON PRE-LAW. The American Bar Association confirms that majors and minors across the curriculum, combined with a strong liberal education, provide excellent preparation for law school. Assumption’s Pre-Law Program provides personalized advising, co-curricular activities, and development opportunities for all students considering law school. See the “Pre-Law” section under “Cooperative Programs of Study.” Above all, students considering law school should choose a major that interests them, pursue academic excellence in that field, and contact the pre-law advising coordinator, Prof. Bernard J. Dobski, at 508 767-7369 or by e-mail at bdobski@assumption.edu.

**ANTHROPOLOGY (ANT)**

**ANT 130  HUMAN EVOLUTION AND VARIATION**
A survey of the physical evolution and cultural development of humankind from its pre-hominid primate origins to the emergence of the contemporary human species, Homo sapiens in the Upper Pleistocene. The nature and significance of human physical variation (“race”) will also be examined. Additional topics may include primate social behavior, humankind’s “animal nature,” sociobiology, and post-Pleistocene pre-history. This course counts as a science without a lab in the Core Curriculum.

Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits

**ANT 131  CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY**
This course will be an overview of the discipline of cultural anthropology, introducing the student to diverse cultures around the globe through reading and analysis of anthropologists’ writings about their work. Readings will show that humans in different cultures have developed different solutions to the same problems. Emphasis will be placed on techniques for learning about other cultures, and the theories and concepts used to understand why humans behave as they do. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum.

Staff/Three credits

**ANT 132  INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY**
A survey of the field of archaeology, including these topics: the history and goals of archaeology, methods for recovering, dating, preserving, analyzing, and interpreting archaeological data, and the contributions of archaeology to a study of the past. May include sections on the archaeology of New England, the archaeology of foraging societies, and
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ANT 220 MAGIC, WITCHCRAFT, AND RELIGION
A cross-cultural study of humankind’s responses to the wonder and terror of the process of nature, and efforts to control these processes through interaction with, and manipulation and control of, supernatural beings, power, and events. Emphasis will be placed on the diversity of the human religious experience in its broadest sense. This class will consider both anthropological theory and ethnographic data. Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits

ANT 230 SPECIAL TOPICS IN CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY
A study of the ethnography of one culture, focusing on the description, analysis, and explanation of the cultural behaviors, values, and world-view characteristics of that culture. The culture to be studied will vary. Readings may include current anthropological studies, histories, and literature of the culture. Staff/Three credits

ANT 231 ENVIRONMENTAL ANTHROPOLOGY
This class will take an anthropological perspective on environmental issues. The anthropological perspective recognizes the systemic interaction of human biology, human culture, and the environment. Using case studies of different topics, we will explore how human cultures affect the environment and how environments affect human cultures. Possible topics include environmental archaeology, globalization, economic development and the environment, environmentalism and environmental justice, indigenous ecology, and applied environmental anthropology. Prerequisite: Any ONE introductory anthropology class such as ANT 130 Human Evolution and Variation, ANT 131 Cultural Anthropology, ANT 132 Introduction to Archaeology—OR ENV 150 Introduction to Environmental Studies. Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits

ANT 236 SOCIAL JUSTICE IN A GLOBAL COMMUNITY
This course connects Assumption College to the Worcester community and to the global community. The content challenges students to see social issues in a wider context, to see how world-wide phenomena and policies have an international impact. Issues the course covers include: global economics and inequality, diversity and multi-culturalism, ethnicity and migration patterns, and international social problems such as AIDS, genocide, and slavery. Through examination of these issues students learn to apply sociological theories and concepts. Same as SOC 236. Porschbacher/Three credits

ANT 254 THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN
An interdisciplinary course which seeks to integrate the methodology and findings of anthropology, biology (genetics and nutrition), history, and linguistics in the study of representative Indian groups within select culture areas, such as the Arctic, the Subarctic, the Eastern Woodlands, the Northwest Coast, the Southeast, the Southwest, and the Plains. (Same as HIS 254) This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum. Choquette, Gazin-Schwartz, Keyes/Three credits (offered 2012–2013, not offered 2013–2014)

ANT 255 FROM CONTACT TO CASINOS: INTERACTIONS WITH INDIANS IN NORTH AMERICA
An interdisciplinary course which permits inquiry into a number of intriguing subjects which need to be understood if a grasp of Indian cultures is to be achieved. The topics have been selected on the basis of (a) the high priority usually given by scholars to certain Indian topics, (b) the continuing productive scholarship in, and even controversy on, certain subjects, and (c) the initial area of interest and expertise of the staff. Accordingly, new topics may be added as the interest and need warrant. Same as HIS 255. This course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum. Choquette, Gazin-Schwartz, Keyes/Three credits (offered 2013–2014, not offered 2014–2015)

ANT 285 OR 385 OR 485 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Individually supervised study of an anthropologically relevant topic. Offered only to students who have demonstrated an ability for independent research. Prerequisite: two, three, and four prior courses in anthropology, respectively. Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits

ANT 350 SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY
This course will examine the works of the three major classical theorists in sociology (i.e., Durkheim, Marx, and Weber), the theoretical contributions of symbolic interactionists such as Goffman and Geertz, and several major contemporary social theories, including post-structuralism and feminism. Same as SOC 350. Prerequisite: SOC 121 and one other Sociology or Anthropology course. Farough, Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits (Fall only)

ANT 365–366 INTERNSHIP SEMINAR I AND II: SOCIOLOGISTS AND ANTHROPOLOGISTS AT WORK
This two semester seminar provides interns with the opportunity to examine the internship experience along with other student interns. Students also examine related issues: social policy development, program planning, evaluation, and research, the social scientist’s responsibilities for the use of her or his research, the political role of the social scientist, the “value-free” debate among social scientists, applied versus pure sociology, the role of the social scientist within private and public organizations, management of human service agencies, and career options for social scientists. Same as SOC 365/366. (Fall/Spring) Gendron, Care/Three credits each semester. ANT 366 is designed primarily for students with a concentration in Criminology.
ANT 385 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Individually supervised study of an anthropologically relevant topic. Offered only to upper level students who have demonstrated an ability for independent research. Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits

ANT 450 PRACTICUM IN THE TEACHING OF ANTHROPOLOGY
This course is an opportunity for upper-level students in Anthropology to develop teaching and communicative skills as they deepen their general knowledge of the discipline of Anthropology. Students will serve as discussion group leaders and tutors for an introductory course and will be given the opportunity to present some material researched and prepared under the direction of the faculty in charge. Students will meet weekly with the staff and will ordinarily attend, as an observer, a number of classes in the introductory course. Permission of the Department required. Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits

ANT 465 SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH METHODS
This course is designed to introduce students to the analysis of sociological and anthropological data using the three main methods in the discipline: qualitative, comparative-historical, and quantitative. Specific topics will include: how to select research methods appropriate to the problem under investigation, the relationship between theory and research, how to conduct a literature review, ethical issues involved in conducting social research. Students will get ‘hand-on’ experience using each of the three main research methods by designing and conducting small-scale research projects. Same as SOC 465. Prerequisite: SOC 121. Biggert, Farough, Gendron, Cares/Three credits (Spring only)

ANT 475 SENIOR SEMINAR
In this seminar, students will work closely with the instructor—and with each other—to review and synthesize the content of their previous sociology courses to create a senior thesis. This course is a capstone and required for sociology majors who do not have a concentration in Criminology. The senior seminar course will also prepare students who aspire to graduate study in sociology (or in any of the social sciences) by giving them an opportunity to craft a major paper that can serve as a writing sample for a graduate school application portfolio. Same as SOC 475. Prerequisites: ANT 131, SOC 121, SOC/ANT 350, and SOC/ANT 465. Farough/Three credits (Fall only)

SOCIOLOGY (SOC) & CRIMINOLOGY (CRM)

SOC 108 WORLD POPULATION ISSUES
Lecture and open discussion of population problems throughout the world today. Topics will include statistical processes, world food production and standards, medical assistance, economic issues, and physical/human responses to population pressures and changes. Same as GEO 108. Hickey/Three credits

SOC 121 PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY
This course consists of an introduction to the study of human society. The student will become acquainted with the approaches, methods, and findings of contemporary sociology and the ongoing process of understanding social interaction, groups, problems, and sociocultural systems. Topics covered may include socialization, social inequality, deviance, the corporation and occupational roles, the community, interrelationships, change of institutions, and other related subjects. This course counts in the Core Curriculum requirements as a social science. Cares, Farough, Gendron, Kaufman/Three credits

SOC 122 SOCIAL PROBLEMS
This course is an introduction to the discipline of sociology, the study of social interaction and institutions as it relates to contemporary American social problems. The course will focus on several sociological perspectives that are used to analyze such problems as poverty, homelessness, racism, sexism, addiction, crime, delinquency, ageism, and health care. This course counts in the Core Curriculum requirements as a social science. Biggert/Three credits

CRM/SOC 130 INTRODUCTION TO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
This survey level course introduces students to the purpose, structure, and function of the criminal justice system, which represents the government’s official response to crime. Students will learn about the role of the various aspects of the criminal justice system (i.e., law enforcement, courts, and corrections) in responding to and controlling crime. A significant focus of the class will be on critical analysis of criminal justice policy and programs, such as mandatory minimum sentences for drug offenses, New York City’s stop and frisk campaign, sex offender residency restrictions, mandatory arrest laws for domestic violence, day reporting centers for probationers and parolees, and victimless prosecution of domestic violence cases. The course will also force students to consider the challenges facing the criminal justice system, including an aging prison population, the impact of incarceration on families and communities, the pressure to efficiently process high caseloads, and protecting personal liberties while keeping citizens safe. Kaufman/Three credits

SOC 206 THE SOCIOLOGY OF URBAN LIFE
This course examines the patterns, causes, and consequences of urbanization and suburbanization. While the major focus will be on the development of cities, metropolitan areas, and megalopolitan regions within the United States, a major goal of the course is to understand the increasingly critical role that economic globalization plays in creating uneven development and decline within and among cities and metropolitan regions throughout the world. Specific topics to be investigated include: urban renewal and redevelopment, residential segregation, gentrification, conflicts over
land use, urban planning, and the problems of concentrated poverty and crime in central cities.

**SOC 216 RACIAL AND ETHNIC RELATIONS**
This course explores how race and ethnicity structure social relations and identities in the United States. Students will become familiar with the history of race and ethnicity in the U.S. and why it continues to be a central aspect of social life. The course will also focus on a variety of debates regarding the persistence of institutionalized racism and white privilege in the post-Civil Rights era. The process of how class, gender, and sexuality structure various racial and ethnic groups will be explored as well. Current issues on race and ethnicity addressed in this class include: racial profiling, immigration, increasing diversity in the U.S., affirmative action, Ebonics, reverse discrimination, post-September 11th forms of discrimination, and unequal access to employment, housing, and mortgages by race.

Farough/Three credits

**SOC 218 SOCIAL MOVEMENTS**
The course will analyze the internal dynamics and external environments of social movements as mechanisms of social change. It will examine several case studies of American social movements, focusing on their rise and fall and their impact on institutions.

Biggert/Three credits

**SOC 223 THE FAMILY IN SOCIETY**
A study of the institution of the family from historical and cross-cultural perspectives that focuses on the relationship between other social developments and changes in family structure. A comparative view will be conjoined with a problems approach in order to examine contemporary family patterns and their alternatives.

Perschbacher/Three credits

**SOC 224 GENDER ISSUES IN SOCIETY**
This course addresses gender inequalities, practices, and identities from a sociological perspective. This means that gender differences and inequalities are socially produced and vary across history and cultures. In this course, students will become familiar with more recent sociological research that argues gender is a central institution in social life, organizing “men” and “women” into specific social practices and positions within the social structure. This course will also explore how gender inequality and differences interact with race, class, and sexuality. Specific areas of study include the changing roles of masculinity and femininity in work, family, sexuality, health, religion, education, and marriage.

Farough/Three credits

**SOC 225 LITERATURE OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: COMMUNITY SERVICE LEARNING**
An interdisciplinary course that offers students a combination of academic classroom learning and experiential learning in the community. Students will read contemporary American fiction and sociological monographs and cultural analyses, using these ideas to think critically about political, economic, and social issues in the community. Same as ENG 225.

Land, Gendron/Three credits

**SOC 232 SOCIAL INEQUALITY IN SOCIETY**
The purpose of this course is to focus on social inequality in the United States. Topics to be covered include the dimensions of stratification, theories of social stratification, social class, social mobility, occupational prestige, status attainment, poverty, wealth, and racial and sexual inequality in the United States.

Biggert/Three credits

**SOC 234 SOCIAL POLICY**
This course examines the nature, purposes, and effectiveness of social policy in America. It looks at the relationship of society and politics, as well as the processes of creation and implementation of social reforms. The role of government, the corporate sector, social science, the media, and the public in shaping social policy is examined. The course presents an assessment of the successes and failures of American social programs having to do with children and their families, income support, the elderly, health care, education, energy, and the environment. Required for the concentration in Social Policy.

Biggert/Three credits

**SOC 236 SOCIAL JUSTICE IN A GLOBAL COMMUNITY**
This course connects Assumption College to the Worcester community and to the global community. The content challenges students to see social issues in a wider context, to see how world-wide phenomena and policies have an international impact. Issues the course covers include: global economics and inequality, diversity and multi-culturalism, ethnicity and migration patterns, and international social problems such as AIDS, genocide, and slavery. Through examination of these issues students learn to apply sociological theories and concepts. Same as ANT 236.

Perschbacher/Three credits

**CRM/SOC 242 CRIMINOLOGY**
The course examines the patterns, causes, and consequences of crime, and the ways in which the criminal justice system attempts to deal with the crime problem in the United States. Specific substantive topics will include analyses of how laws are created, theories of crime causation, penology, the relationship between crime/criminal justice and social class, race/ethnicity and gender, fear of crime, the social construction of crime in the media, the growth of the prison system, and an assessment of the efficacy of alternative “crime-fighting” strategies, such as community policing.

Required for the Criminology Concentration.

Cares, Gendron/Three credits
This course will develop a coherent, integrated view of women and their roles, emphasize the full range of contributions of, and the limited opportunities for, women, examine and appraise the experiences of women, and critically examine the thinking about women at various times and from various perspectives. The basic approach is interdisciplinary and the concentration of the course is on women in North America from the 19th Century to the present. (Same as HIS and PSY 285.) Required for concentration in Women's Studies. The course counts as a social science in the Core Curriculum requirements. Choquette, Edmonds, Farough, Guerrero-Watanabe, Kercher, Kisatsky, Leone, Keyes, McNett, Vadum/Three credits

SOC 295 MASCULINITIES
This course explores the lives of men in the United States from a broader social and historical context. It also examines the extent to which masculinity is rooted in biology and culture. Masculinities will also survey contemporary issues facing men such as the relationship between masculinity and the Great Recession, the significant change of gender roles in family and work, the influences of class, race and sexuality on masculinity, the development of social movements centered on men’s issues, the relationship between masculinity and major social institutions such as education, government, and military, the interdependent connection between masculinities and femininities, the question of power, privilege and masculinity, and violence against women and bullying. Farough/Three credits.

SOC/CRM 300 STATISTICS
An introduction to the logic and techniques of statistical analysis in sociology. The focus of the course is on exploratory analysis, including measures of central tendency, dispersion, and hypothesis testing using linear regression including both bivariate and multivariate. The Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) will be used. This course counts as a second Mathematics course in the Core Curriculum. Biggert/Three credits (Fall only)

CRM/SOC 325 VICTIMOLOGY
This course is designed to provide students with an understanding of the complexity of criminal victimization from multiple perspectives: the victim’s, society’s, and the criminal justice and other response system’s. The course begins by exploring the nature and extent of the problem. Then, it moves on to explore theoretical frameworks used to explain criminal victimization. Next, it examines the consequences of victimization for victims, their loved ones, and society at large. The course concludes with a selection of special topics. Cares/Three credits

SOC 350 SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY
This course will examine the works of the three major classical theorists in sociology (i.e., Durkheim, Marx, and Weber),
the theoretical contributions of symbolic interactionists such as Goffman and Geertz, and several major contemporary social theories, including post-structuralism and feminism. Same as ANT 350. Prerequisite: SOC 121 and one other Sociology or Anthropology course. Farough, Gazin-Schwartz/Three credits. (Fall only)

**CRM/SOC 365–366 INTERNSHIP SEMINAR I AND II: CRIMINOLOGISTS AND ANTHROPOLOGISTS AT WORK**

This seminar provides interns with the opportunity to examine the internship experience along with other student interns. Students also examine related issues: social policy development, program planning, evaluation, and research, the social scientist’s responsibilities for the use of her or his research, the political role of the social scientist, the “value-free” debate among social scientists, applied versus pure sociology, the role of the social scientist within private and public organizations, management of human service agencies, and career options for social scientists. Criminology major requires CRM/SOC 365 and CRM 366. Same as ANT 365/366. Cares, Gendron/Three credits each semester. SOC 366 is designed primarily for students with a concentration in Criminology.

**SOC 385 INDEPENDENT STUDY**

Individually supervised study of a sociologically relevant topic. Offered only to Senior Sociology majors who have demonstrated an ability for independent research. Staff/Three credits

**SOC 450 PRACTICUM IN THE TEACHING OF SOCIOLOGY**

An opportunity for upper-level students in Sociology to develop teaching and communicative skills as they deepen their general knowledge of the discipline of Sociology. Students will serve as discussion group leaders for the introductory course and will be given the opportunity to present some material researched and prepared under the direction of the faculty in charge. The students will meet weekly with the staff and will ordinarily attend, as an observer, a number of classes in the introductory course. Permission of the Department required. Staff/Three credits

**SOC/CRM 465 SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH METHODS**

This course is designed to introduce students to the analysis of sociological and anthropological data using the three main methods in the discipline: qualitative, comparative-historical, and quantitative. Specific topics will include: how to select research methods appropriate to the problem under investigation, the relationship between theory and research, how to conduct a literature review, ethical issues involved in conducting social research. Students will get “hand-on” experience using each of the three main research methods by designing and conducting small-scale research projects. Same as ANT 465. Prerequisite: SOC 121. Biggert, Cares, Farough, Gendron/Three credits (Spring only)

**SOC 475 SENIOR SEMINAR**

In this seminar, students will work closely with the instructor—and with each other—to review and synthesize the content of their previous sociology courses to create a senior thesis. This course is a capstone for and required for sociology majors who do not have a concentration in Criminology. The senior seminar course will also prepare students who aspire to graduate study in sociology (or in any of the social sciences) by giving them an opportunity to craft a major paper that can serve as a writing sample for a graduate school application portfolio. Same as ANT 475. Prerequisites: ANT 131, SOC 121, SOC/ANT 350, and SOC/ANT 465. Farough/Three credits (Fall only)
**THEOLOGY**

Professor: J. Brian Benestad, Marc LePain; Associate Professors: Kathleen M. Fisher, Marc D. Guerra (Chairperson); Assistant Professors: Christopher Kloff; Visiting Assistant Professors: Fr. Barry Bercier, A.A., Fr. Roger Corriveau, A.A.; Lecturer: Fr. Jerome Lively, A.A.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Theology strives to integrate and embrace all the aspects of human experience addressed by a liberal education. Assumption's rich tradition, inherited from Saint Augustine, is rooted in a reasonable faith that affords a deep and broad understanding of human existence. Theology invites you to take part in an exhilarating dialogue that began thousands of years ago and establishes the foundation of a Catholic college, where all disciplines and professions are called into the conversation. Since the Bible is the soul of theology and a foundation of Western culture, reading significant portions of it defines the first required theology course, provides the foundation for subsequent theology courses, and relates to the other courses in the humanities at Assumption. The theology core courses afford an examination of Christian life and thus help you to understand other traditions and to evaluate more extensively your own convictions and commitments. Your engagement in a mature and reflective appreciation of the Catholic heritage will also help you to navigate your way in the modern world.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Understanding Divine Revelation as grounded in the Bible and Tradition
- Interpreting the Scriptures and theological writings in relationship to themselves and to their various contexts
- Understanding the fundamental Catholic beliefs in relationship to the human concerns of every age
- Appreciating the diversity of religious traditions
- Reading texts carefully and intelligently
- Thinking clearly and insightfully
- Communicating persuasively in discussion and in writing

**MAJOR IN THEOLOGY**

The Major in Theology introduces students to the rich, variegated, and continuing tradition of Christian and Catholic theological reflection. Examining the enduring and irreducibly theological questions that human beings are inescapably led to ask about their origins and end, the Major in Theology systematically introduces students to the Biblical and theoretical foundations of theology's distinctive exercise in faith seeking understanding. The Major prepares students for graduate work in academic theology and provides students with the educational background and foundation needed to pursue a career as a director of religious education or an elementary or high school teacher of religion.

**Required Courses (11)**

The requirements for the major consist of eleven courses, distributed as follows from among the offerings of the Theology Department:

- **THE 100 The Bible.** This course is required of all students as the first theology course in the core curriculum.
- **THE 220 Approaches in Theology.** This is the “gateway” to both the major and the minor and should be taken at the beginning of your course work in the major.
- One from the others designated as second-level theology courses in the core curriculum:
  - THE 201 The Problem of God
  - THE 202 Moral Theology
  - THE 203 The Early Church
  - THE 204 Catholicism Today
  - THE/PHI 205–206 Foundations: Religion and Philosophy
  - THE 207 Christ, Yesterday and Today

- Five courses selected from the department’s upper-level course offerings
- Two additional courses from any of the Theology Department’s offerings.
- **THE 450 Senior Seminar in Theology.** This is the capstone course for senior theology majors.

**MINOR IN THEOLOGY**

The Minor in Theology is designed to broaden the student's educational and theoretical background and enable the students to see how his/her major field of study relates to the universal claims made by reason and revelation.

**Required Courses (6)**

The requirements for the minor consist of six courses, distributed as follows from among the offerings of the Theology Department:

- **THE 100 The Bible.** This course is required of all students as the first theology course in the core curriculum.
- **THE 220 Approaches in Theology.** This is the “gateway” to both the major and the minor and should be taken at the beginning of your course work in the minor.
- Two courses from the others designated as second-level theology courses in the core curriculum:
  - THE 201 The Problem of God
  - THE 202 Moral Theology
  - THE 203 The Early Church
  - THE 204 Catholicism Today
  - THE/PHI 205–206 Foundations: Religion and Philosophy
  - THE 207 Christ, Yesterday and Today

- Two courses selected from the department’s upper-level course offerings
DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

THEOLOGY (THE)

THE 100  THE BIBLE
An introduction to the Bible. Both the Old and the New Testaments will be approached from their historical and theological perspectives. This course is required in the Core Curriculum. (Offered each semester)
Staff / Three credits

THE 201  THE PROBLEM OF GOD
Does the world make sense? Does the universe have a purpose? Is human life meaningful? Why do innocent people suffer? Where, if anywhere, do we fit in the "big picture?" What, if anything, can we know about God and how might we learn it? These are questions that no serious human being can avoid. Poets, philosophers, scientists, and theologians have all contributed their insights and the many ways in which human beings—both religious believers and non-believers—have struggled with these deep issues. The course is designed to challenge students to ask these questions for themselves and test their answers in conversation with the world's great thinkers and religious traditions. This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100. (Offered each semester)
Bercier / Three credits

THE 202  MORAL THEOLOGY
No one can live a genuinely human life without asking the question "How should I live and what kind of life will make me happy?" This course introduces students to the unique way in which theology goes about answering the question of human flourishing. Moral theology is not so much preoccupied with drafting ethical and legal codes, but rather with shedding light on those actions that respond to the deepest aspirations of the human heart. Beginning with the premise that human beings need to be related to God if they are to be truly happy, this class invites students to think about what it would mean to live a morally serious human life. This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100. (Offered each semester)
Benestad, Kloff / Three credits

THE 203  THE EARLY CHURCH
We examine how the Christians of the first five centuries worked out the implications of their original profession of faith in Jesus Christ. What was the relationship between Christian discipleship and Judaism? How did the early Christians envision their role within their social, cultural, and political surroundings? We look back to the earliest Christian writings in order to see how the Christian Church came into existence and to grapple with issues that continue to be important today: the nature of God and Christ, grace and salvation, the use and interpretation of the Bible, and the practice of faith and the sacraments. This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100. (Offered each semester)
Corriveau, Fisher, Guerra / Three credits

THE 204  CATHOLICISM TODAY
Catholics do not live their lives within a Catholic bubble, a hermetically sealed world in which everyone and everything is shaped by the teachings of Catholicism. Christ himself said this would not be the case, informing his disciples that in this world they would have to render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God that things that are God's. As a result, the Catholic Church has always had to find some way of engaging the world in which it currently finds itself. This course introduces students to Catholicism's ongoing engagement with the world today, paying particular attention to both the main currents in contemporary thought and the representative social movements that shape the modern world. This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100. (Offered each semester)
Guerra / Three credits

THE 205–206  FOUNDATIONS: RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY
An introduction to the religious and philosophical foundations of the West. The purpose of the two courses is to help students discover the principles at the heart of Western civilization and thereby develop a critical approach to their own thoughts and actions through a study of the major thinkers who have formed our culture. This course is taught as a two-semester sequence in PHI and THE. Students may take either or both semesters and receive three credits for each semester. Same as PHI 205–206. This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100. (Offered each semester)
Corrigan, LePain / Three credits

THE 207  CHRIST, YESTERDAY AND TODAY
We study the different theological interpretations of Jesus of Nazareth. The course focuses on the significance of Jesus, the Christ, asking such questions as: whether he is only a man, only God, or both, what the original experiences of men and women were in the presence of Jesus, before his Resurrection and afterward, what the subsequent experience of his presence is within the Church, and what difference the identity of Jesus makes for the idea of salvation. This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100.
Corriveau / Three credits

THE 220  APPROACHES IN THEOLOGY
This course, required as the “Gateway” course for all majors and minors, exposes students to the foundations of the Christian faith tradition through study of individual theologians and leads them to discover the methods, structures and purposes of theology. It invites students who wish to study theology seriously to consider questions such as: What is theology?
How do theologians "do theology"? Are the concerns of modern theology different from those of the theology of the ancient and medieval worlds? Are there areas of convergence? How does theology affect and inform faith? Is theology relevant to the modern world? What can a study of theology teach us not only about God but about ourselves in relation to God and to each other? This course counts as a second Theology in the Core Curriculum. Prerequisite: THE 100. (Spring)

THE 314 WISDOM AND PSALMS OF ISRAEL
The origins and nature of the Wisdom tradition in the context of Near Eastern cultures. Interpretation of selected texts from Hebrew Wisdom Books. An emphasis will be placed on the nature of revelation in wisdom, the role of wisdom in theology, the types of wisdom represented in the tradition, and the way in which wisdom addresses the big questions. The course will also provide an introduction to the psalms, the various forms of the psalms and the way psalms are used in the tradition that stems from the Hebrew Bible. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Staff/Three credits

THE 321 MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE
A study of the life and ministry of Jesus in light of recent developments in Synoptic Studies with special attention to the theological perspectives of Matthew, Mark, and Luke as reflected in their varying presentations of the Good News. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Staff/Three credits

THE 322 THE LETTERS OF PAUL
The influence of the life and thought of Paul on the early Church and on Christian thought today. An examination of the historical, social, theological, political, and spiritual forces that brought Paul to the forefront of early Christian thinking—his travels, letters, and above all, the key themes in his writings as they relate to contemporary understanding. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Staff/Three credits

THE 323 JOHN'S GOSPEL AND THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Staff/Three credits

THE 333 THE MYSTERY OF THE CHURCH
This course examines Catholics' understanding of themselves as the Church and the difference that makes in their fundamental interpretation of human existence. Is the Church more than a social phenomenon? How is its mission part of God's plan for humanity? How is it the channel of God's relationship to humanity? In addition to exploring such questions, this course will examine Vatican Council II's concept of the Church as "the universal sacrament of salvation." Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220. (Spring)

Corriveau, Guerra/Three credits

THE 341 MORAL ISSUES IN MEDICINE
An introduction to medical and health care ethics. Assisted by the writings of health care professionals, moral thinkers, and theologians, and in the distinctive light of Catholic morality, the course includes a study of the significance of conscience, prudence, and moral character, as well as competence in the health care professions, and an exploration of the many biomedical issues that have arisen as a result of the impact of modern science and technology. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Benestad, Klofft/Three credits

THE 342 A THEOLOGY OF HUMAN SEXUALITY
This course seeks to clarify what God has revealed about the nature and the purposes of human sexuality. Beginning with a study of Christian moral principles and moving to an examination of biblical teachings on the subject of sexuality, the course will then address the topics of masturbation, pre-marital sex, homosexuality, and birth control from the perspective of a theology of marriage. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Klofft/Three credits

THE 343 THE SOCIAL TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH
A study of the social teachings of the Church, based on the writings of early Christian, medieval, and modern authors. The aim of the course is to discover and understand the distinctive principles of Catholic social teaching and to reflect on current critical issues in the light of those principles. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Benestad/Three credits

THE 352 MEDIEVAL CHRISTIAN WRITERS
An introduction to the major themes of Christian writers of late antiquity and the Middle Ages: the relationship of religious faith and philosophy, the approaches to God, including mysticism, the relationship of spiritual and temporal authorities, the role of science in understanding human nature. Readings drawn from the principal writings of authors such as
Augustine, Benedict, Anselm, Bonaventure, Abelard, Aquinas, Teresa of Avila, Hildegard of Bingen, Margery Kempe, Francis and Clare of Assisi. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

**THE 371  RELIGION AND MODERNITY**
This course invites students to think dialectically about the fundamental relationship between religion and modernity's original account of itself. It examines the fundamental claims that Christianity, in general, and Catholicism, in particular, make about human beings, human life, and the world that human beings inhabit. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Guerra/ Three credits

**THE 383  ASIAN TRADITIONS**
An introduction to the major themes of the Muslim, Indian, Chinese, and Japanese traditions through background lectures and class discussions of selected sacred texts and works of art and of imaginative literature. Emphasis on the classical expressions of the Asian civilizations and their more recent encounter with modernity. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220. (Fall)

LePain/ Three credits

**THE 391  SPECIAL TOPICS IN THEOLOGY**
This course offers a study at an advanced level of theological issues, themes, and/or theologians not covered by other thematic courses. The subject matter changes according to the interests of the professor and the needs of students. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220.

Staff/ Three credits

**THE 450  SENIOR SEMINAR IN THEOLOGY**
Introduction to the procedures of research in theology through an intensive study of selected topics or thinkers. Presentation of reports by students. This is the "capstone" course required of all majors in Theology and open to other qualified Seniors as well. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220 (Spring)

Staff/ Three credits

**THE 499  INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Available only to highly qualified students who wish to develop a special interest but cannot find a suitable course among the regular offerings. Prerequisites: THE 100 and one second level course, numbered THE 201–220. (Offered when warranted.)

Staff/ Three credits
Assumption College’s history has been enriched for decades by its institutes, which have enlivened the intellectual, social, and spiritual dimensions of the campus community. Whether through research, public forums, or small work groups, the College’s institutes are woven into the fabric of our mission and contribute significantly to the College’s national and international reputation.

Aaron T. Beck Institute for Cognitive Studies
Found in 1996 and named in honor of the “Father of Cognitive Therapy,” the Aaron T. Beck Institute annually hosts speakers and conferences that address research and therapeutic developments in cognitive therapy, as well as ethical and moral issues faced by therapists and clients. The Institute also sponsors education and training projects in cognitive therapeutic skills for graduate students and postgraduate professionals. The Institute strives to provide the community at large with information that illuminates the contributions of cognitive factors to the resolution of problems in living.

Even though the Institute’s programs offer intensive instruction in cognitive therapy for mental health professionals, these workshops and lectures are available to all students. The Institute hosts internationally known psychologists and psychiatrists who discuss innovations in psychological treatments for a wide variety of psychological problems. For students who are interested in learning about psychology, the Institute’s programs offer unique opportunities to learn about developments in highly effective psychotherapies. For more information, contact Prof. Len Doerfler.

The Ecumenical Institute
The Ecumenical Institute was established in 1968 and re-founded in 1999 to provide a forum for reflection and discussion of questions of common interest to Christians of all churches and to people of other faiths as well. The Institute seeks to clarify the differences that divide Christians, as well as the common issue confronting all believers in our day—namely, the relation of faith to the modern world. The Institute is particularly sensitive to the fact that, in many instances, the real problems Christians face today lie deeper than the issues that have traditionally divided Christian churches.

The Institute organizes the College’s annual Emmanuel d’Alzon Lecture, Rabbi Joseph Klein Lecture on Judaic Studies, Bishop Bernard Flanagan Ecumenical Lecture, Saint Marie-Eugenie Milleret Lecture, and Saint Thomas More Lecture. The Institute also sponsors occasional programs such as the Paideia Colloquium for faculty, and various other events honoring the life and work of Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, Leo Tolstoy, the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s birth, Blessed John Henry Newman, and the White Rose Resistance movement against Nazi oppression to name a few. Through its annual lectureships, special programs, and collaboration with other organizations, the Institute stresses education and makes a deliberate effort to bring the best contemporary scholarship to bear on the life of the College, the Church and society in our time.

The French Institute
The French Institute was founded in 1979 to preserve the French heritage of Assumption College and the region. The Institute is both an academic research facility and a center for French cultural activities. Although its main goals are to foster the conservation and study of the records of French ethnicity on this continent, the name French Institute (Institut français) was chosen for its ability to encompass the entire francophone world. The Institute is the leading place to study material relating to the more than one and a half million French Canadians who immigrated to New England in the 19th and 20th centuries.

As a research center, the French Institute acquires books and archival materials pertinent to its primary focus: the French presence in North America, with particular emphasis on New England. In 2004, the Institute’s collection was complemented by the arrival on campus of the Mallet Library of the Union St. Jean-Baptiste, another fine collection of Franco-Americana.

The French Institute seeks to promote knowledge and awareness of francophone North Americans and francophone questions generally by organizing lectures and colloquia, publishing a newsletter and books, and participating in a variety of cultural projects. The Institute has published conference proceedings on various aspects of French-Canadian immigration to the United States, and has provided English translations of texts to make them accessible to non-French speakers. It has also hosted many distinguished visitors, including the French Minister for Francophone Affairs, the Vice-Minister for International Affairs of Quebec, and scholars from France, Canada, francophone Africa, and Haiti.

The Institute For Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies
The Institute for Social and Rehabilitation Services was established in 1967 to further one of the stated objectives of the College: “to contribute to the common good.” Its programs are designed to serve four groups: 1) liberal arts undergraduates who would like to prepare for careers in the helping professions, and so are considering majoring in the field; 2) students from all academic majors who want to learn more about Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies as a minor, and/or simply to become better acquainted with the field of Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies; 3) college graduates who wish...
to pursue graduate study in the behavioral sciences, especially rehabilitation counseling, and 4) current employees of human service agencies who desire to increase their understanding of and effectiveness with the clientele they serve. For more information, contact Prof. Susan Scully-Hill.

**Worcester Institute for Senior Education**
Assumption College's Center for Continuing and Career Education sponsors the Worcester Institute for Senior Education (WISE), a lifelong learning institute. This member-run organization is a learning program open to senior citizens in central Massachusetts. Peer learning and active participation are key components. Members create courses and share their experience and knowledge on topics of interest to them. The membership fee entitles members to participate in Institute courses on a space-available basis, attend special events, use the College library, and attend College lectures and cultural activities. Courses are held during the day in the Fall and Spring semesters. For more information contact Professor Emeritus Paul Mahon.

**Holy Name of Jesus Institute**
In 2008, the Holy Name of Jesus Institute was established at Assumption College for the purpose of educating seminarians pursuing a vocation to the diocesan priesthood in the Diocese of Worcester to receive their Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy at Assumption College at reduced cost. This program of study conforms to the norms established for priestly formation by Pope John Paul II in the Apostolic Exhortation, *Pastores Dabo Vobis*, and adopted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. For more information about the program, as well as the application procedures, please contact Fr. Jim Mazone, Vocation Director of the Diocese of Worcester at 508 340-5788.
ADMISSIONS

Admission to Assumption College is limited to men and women of character, intelligence, and motivation selected from applicants who have completed the prescribed secondary school requirements. Assumption College supports the efforts of secondary school officials and governing bodies to have their schools achieve regional accredited status to provide reliable assurance of the quality of the educational preparation of its applicants for admission. Matriculation is offered on a full- and part-time basis.

REQUIREMENTS FOR FULL-TIME MATRICULATION

All applicants for admission must graduate from an accredited secondary school with 18 or more academic units. Ordinarily, these 18 units should include four years of English, three years of mathematics, two years of a foreign language, two years of history, two years of science, and five additional academic units.

The Admissions Committee will also consider the quality of work, general promise, and seriousness of purpose of the student when reviewing a high school transcript.

Submission of test scores is optional for Assumption College; students decide whether they want their test scores included as part of their application. SAT-II tests are not required but if submitted may be used for placement purposes. All information on testing dates and centers for the SAT-I may be obtained on the web at www.collegeboard.com, or by calling (866) 756-7346. Information for the ACT may be obtained on the web at www.act.org, or by calling (319) 337–1270.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All applicants must:

1. Complete a First-year Common Application. Students can access application forms at www.commonapp.org

2. Submit the $50.00 application fee.

3. Request that the Guidance Counselor forward the official high school transcript (including first-quarter senior grades) and recommendation to the Office of Admissions, Assumption College, 500 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609. Other recommendations are not required but are welcomed by the Admissions Committee. When deemed advisable, the Admissions Committee may request such additional recommendations.

4. Submission of standardized test scores (SAT-I or ACT) is optional for all students applying for admission. This policy allows each student to decide whether they wish to have their test results considered as part of their application. Applicants who choose not to submit SAT or ACT test scores will not be penalized in the review for admission. If a student decides they do want to submit their test scores as part of their application, the SAT-I code number for Assumption College is 3009. The ACT code number for Assumption College is 1782.

5. An appointment for an interview and tour may be arranged by calling toll free (866) 477-7776. A personal interview is not required, but it is recommended that the applicant visit the campus.

All applications for regular admission for the first-year class, as well as all supporting credentials, must be filed in the Office of Admissions by February 15. For fall admission; and December 15 for spring admission.

EARLY ACTION PROGRAM

Assumption offers an Early Action Program for those students who have determined that Assumption is one of their top choices. Candidates for Early Action should submit an application, including a transcript of the first three years of high school and first-quarter senior grades. All applications for Early Action must be received by November 1 and will receive a decision by December 15. Applications for Early Action II must be received by December 15, and will receive a decision by January 25.

Candidates who are accepted under the Early Action Program will be offered admission for the upcoming Fall semester, contingent on their successful completion of their senior year. The candidate will have until May 1 to choose to enroll at Assumption College.

When an early action applicant is deferred, their application will be reviewed in the context of the entire applicant pool, taking into account the student’s mid-term grades and any other new information they may submit.

The standards used for the admission review, the merit scholarship review, and the need-based financial aid review are the same for both Early Action and Regular Admission.

ADMISSION OF TRANSFER STUDENTS

A student wishing to transfer from an accredited college or university to Assumption College should follow the procedure outlined below:


2. Submit the $50.00 application fee.

3. Have a final official high school transcript forwarded to Assumption College.
4. Have a final, official transcript of the courses taken at each collegiate institution attended mailed directly to the Office of Admissions (only courses in which the student has earned a grade of C or better are considered for transfer. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies reserves the right to make the final decision on all transfer credits).

5. A recommendation from a current college professor may be helpful in the review of the application.

6. To be considered for fall admission, all required documents must be submitted before the July 1st deadline. For spring semester admission, all required documents must be submitted before the December 15th deadline.

7. At least 20 of the 40 semester courses must be taken in the undergraduate day college or through the Colleges of Worcester Consortium as an Assumption College student.

ADMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Assumption College is pleased to receive applications from qualified international students. A candidate for First year or Transfer admission should follow the procedure outlined below:


2. Official educational records, both secondary and post-secondary transcripts, including subjects studied by year, grades, and examination marks, must be submitted directly from the appropriate institutions. Applicants may also submit copies of diplomas, titles, degrees and certificates.

3. Submit the $50.00 application fee.

4. Submit scores earned on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) when English is not the native language.

5. Submit a recommendation from a teacher or counselor.

6. Submit financial documentation (bank statement), which must be officially certified or notarized, indicating that the candidate has adequate funds for study at Assumption College. Students seeking financial assistance should realize that aid is very limited.

7. File all of the required documents by February 15 for Fall admission and October 1 for Spring admission.

Any educational or financial documents not in English must be accompanied by certified English translations.

ADMISSION AS A SPECIAL OR NON-MATRICULATING STUDENT
A non-matriculating student is defined as a student who is not a candidate for a degree. The number of courses or credits taken per semester does not affect this status. To be admitted as a non-matriculating student, an applicant must meet the regular entrance requirements and prove himself/herself qualified to pursue the studies concerned. A non-matriculating student is subject to the same academic regulations and discipline as a regular student. However, he/she is given no class rating and is not eligible for academic honors. The College reserves the right to limit the number of courses to be taken. A non-matriculating student is charged at a per-credit rate, plus additional fees as determined by the Business Manager. Special student applications are available in the Office of Admissions. Financial Aid is not available for special students.

READMISSION POLICY (see Academic Regulations)

STUDENT SUCCESS
The percentage of students who remain at a college or university from the first-year to the second year helps demonstrate the level of success those students have in transitioning to their college of choice. At Assumption, over the past four years, this figure has averaged 83 percent, compared to a national average of 79 percent. In recent years, of those students who begin their college careers at Assumption, 71.9 percent complete their degree in six years or less. The national average for graduating in six years is 58.9 percent. The vast majority (typically 95 percent or more) of Assumption graduates complete their degree in four years.
FINANCIAL AID

Each year Assumption College awards a number of scholarships, grants, loans, and student employment to incoming first-year students. The scholarships are competitive and are made on the basis of both need and scholastic achievement. The amount of additional aid for first-year, transfer, and upper-class students is determined by financial need and academic performance.

Most awards are renewable each year provided that the student maintains a satisfactory academic record and files the proper financial aid documents by the deadline each year. Degree of need is also reviewed annually and may impact the renewal of awards. Merit scholarships are renewable for eight (8) semesters of full time undergraduate studies. Students must maintain the cumulative grade point average required for the scholarship. Merit Scholarships are not applied to summer or intersession course work.

To apply for financial aid, applicants must submit:

1. An application for admission to the College (all first-year and transfer students);
2. A Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) www.FAFSA.gov;
3. The priority filing deadline for first year students is February 15, and for transfer and upper-class students is March 31st.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS – FEDERAL GUIDELINES

In order to retain financial aid eligibility, all undergraduate students enrolled on either a full-time or part-time basis must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). SAP is defined by the regulations of the U.S. Department of Education as “proceeding in a positive manner toward fulfilling degree requirements.” Please note that these standards differ from the academic standing standards as stated in the “Academic Regulations” section of this catalog. Students are evaluated every spring. SAP review includes the following qualitative and quantitative standards of measurement: cumulative GPA, credit hour completion, and maximum time frame limitation.

Qualitative
All degree-seeking, undergraduate students must meet the following minimum cumulative GPA requirements based on the number of attempted credits:

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Please refer to the Academic Regulations section for more information on which credits are counted as attempted credits.

Quantitative
All degree-seeking, undergraduate students must earn at least 67% of the credits they attempt. A student must earn this minimum percentage of credits each year to ensure they are on pace to complete their educational program within the allotted Maximum Time Frame. The Maximum Time Frame for completing a program cannot be longer than 150% of the published length of the program or the required number of credits of the student’s degree program. For a full-time student pursuing a 4-year degree, the student is allowed up to 6 years or 180 attempted credits of financial aid eligibility to earn the 120 credits required for degree completion. All semesters the student is enrolled will count towards the maximum time frame, even if the student did not receive aid for each of those semesters. If it becomes apparent that the student will be unable to meet SAP standards within the maximum time frame, the student will become ineligible for financial aid.

Academic Elements
When calculating cumulative GPA and attempted and earned credits, the following conditions apply:

- Incomplete – will not count until an official grade has been posted, after which SAP will be re-evaluated.
- Withdrawals – will be counted as attempted for those classes dropped after the end of the College’s add/drop period.
- Repeated Courses – will be counted as attempted and the higher earned grade will be used to calculate the GPA.
- Transfer Credits – will be counted as attempted and earned credits, but will not be used towards the cumulative GPA.

Regaining Financial Aid Eligibility
Students not meeting the minimum standards for SAP will be notified in June by the Office of Financial Aid. Ineligible students will have 10 days from the date of the letter to submit a letter of appeal. The basis on which a student may file an appeal includes the following: the death of a relative, an injury or illness of the student, or other extenuating circumstance that prevented the student from making SAP. The appeal needs to address what has changed in the student’s situation that will allow the student to demonstrate SAP at the next evaluation.

Appeals will be reviewed by the Financial Aid Appeals Committee. The Appeals Committee will respond in writing to each student regarding the
outcome of their appeal. If the appeal is approved by the committee, the student will be eligible to enroll and receive financial assistance either on a Financial Aid Probation Status or an Academic Education Plan for their next semester of enrollment. The committee will not consider subsequent appeals unless there is an extenuating circumstance.

Financial Aid Probation: If a student's appeal is approved, they may be placed on Financial Aid Probation. The student is allowed to enroll in classes and receive financial aid for one semester. At the end of the semester, the student will be re-evaluated for SAP. If the student has still not met SAP standards, the student will become ineligible for financial aid for all subsequent semesters until they comply with SAP standards.

Academic Education Plan: A student's appeal may be approved with the condition they follow an Academic Education Plan, standards of which will be set forth by the Financial Aid Appeals Committee. The student is allowed to enroll in classes and receive financial aid for one semester. At the end of the semester, the student will be reviewed to ensure they are meeting the terms of their Plan. Progress of the Plan will continued to be monitored annually after the end of each spring semester.

If the student chooses not to appeal or the appeal is denied, the student may continue to enroll in classes (without the assistance of financial aid) if they are still academically eligible to do so. Payment plans and alternative loans are available to assist the student during the semester(s) in which the student remains ineligible for aid. A student may regain eligibility by meeting SAP standards in future semesters.

SCHOLARSHIPS

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS
The Assumption College Merit Scholarship Program was established to reflect the College's commitment to upholding a campus culture that champions academic excellence and student leadership. Scholarships are awarded to entering freshman students whose high school records demonstrate strong academic achievement, leadership, and potential for success at Assumption College. Merit scholarships are renewed annually, and are in effect for as long as students maintain the required GPA while enrolled at Assumption. Merit Scholars may also qualify for need-based financial aid to supplement their merit awards.

The College has programs for other students as well. Full-time Assumption students who graduated from Catholic high schools in the Worcester Diocese and who do not qualify for a Merit Scholarship are eligible for a Diocesan Tuition Incentive Grant of $2,500. These grants are renewable for four years. In addition to Merit and Diocesan grants, Assumption has a generous, need-based financial aid program. Recipients of Merit Scholarships and recipients of Diocesan Tuition Incentive Grants may qualify for need-based awards from the College.

AUGUSTINE SCHOLARS PROGRAM
The Augustine Scholars program was established in 1996. These merit scholarships are awarded to juniors and seniors who have been nominated by faculty, staff, and administrators on the basis of their high academic achievement, who have demonstrated initiative and creativity in academic and co-curricular endeavors, and who are of good character. The founding donors of the program are:

- Mr. John J. Barnosky ’64
- Mr. Raymond W. Belair ’70 in honor of Dr. Mary A. and Raymond F. Belair
- Mrs. Winifred E. Brough
- Mr. Louis Y. Chartier ’34
- Mr. Richard Cohen
- Mr. John B. Connolly
- Dr. Donald D’Amour ’64
- Mr. Douglas Denby
- Imperial Distributors
- Mr. John F. Kennedy
- Kervick Family Foundation, Inc.
- Mr. J. Michael Martin ’63
- John McShain Charities
- Mr. Robert T. Mossey ’65
- Polar Corporation
- Mr. Luc Pierre Quinson ’68
- Rev. Msgr. Mederic J. Roberts ’43
- Mabel C. Ryan Memorial Scholarship
- Mrs. Roberta R. Schaefer
- Stratford Foundation
- Mr. Woodbury C. Titcomb in honor of Miss Connie C. Turner
- Mr. Eric J. Hirvonen Jr. ’65
- Mr. Michael P. Tsotsis ’71
- Mr. Stephen A. Tuttle ’62

The following is a list of the endowed scholarships that are available on a limited basis through the Financial Aid Office. All applicants filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form will be considered for all scholarships for which they may be eligible. The College does not require a separate application for each fund. Assumption College is committed to supporting our students with endowed scholarships through the generosity of our alumni and special benefactors.
William and Jean Alberga Scholarship
Pierre B. Aucoin, M.D. ’25 Scholarship
Authier-Vallée Scholarship Fund
Bro. Robert Francis Beaulac, A.A. Memorial Scholarship
Henry Beauvais Scholarship Fund
Robert W. Blanchette Scholarship Fund
John L. Bresciani ’72 Memorial Scholarship
Winifred Brough Scholarship
Dr. Eugene W. Byrnes Scholarship
Angeline C. Carocari Scholarship Fund
Christopher R. Caron Scholarship
Dorothy & Normand ’34 Cartier Endowed Scholarship Fund
Centennial Scholarship Fund
Reverend Gilbert Chabot Scholarship Given in Memory of Ellen M. Amaral
Paul N. Chaput Fund
David L. Christianson Scholarship Fund
John and Elena Clancy Endowed Scholarship Fund
Class of 1975 Endowed Scholarship
Paul ’38 & Georgette Coderre Scholarship Fund
Jeanne Y. Curtis Endowed Scholarship
George E. and Sarah Denommé Memorial Scholarship
Fr. Louis F. Dion, A.A. ’35 Scholarship
Harry Doehla Memorial Scholarship Fund
Dr. Angela G. Dorenkamp Scholarship
The Dougherty/Doyle Family Scholarship in Rehabilitation Counseling
George A. Doyle Award
Mary M. Doyle G/77 Scholarship
Dufault Family Scholarship
Dr. George S. Elias Scholarship
Saint Marie Eugénie Scholarship
Reverend Joseph S. Fortin Scholarship Fund
George F. and Sybil H. Fuller Scholarship Fund
Robert ’65 and Maureen G/67 Gray Scholarship Fund
The Thomas & Bernadette Goulet Grenier Scholarship
Roland Gregoire ’34 Scholarship Fund
Joseph H. Hagan Scholarship Fund
Raymond P. and Myrtle S. Harold Memorial Fund
William Randolph Hearst Foundation Scholarship
Docithe E. Jette and Diana Savaria Jette Memorial Scholarship Fund
J. Michael Keeffe ’93 Memorial Scholarship Fund
Fr. Raymond Lambert ’50 Endowed Scholarship
The Cynthia Courtney And Adelard F. Landry ’42 Scholarship
The Dr. Joseph Alfred ’56 and Jacquelyn Mary Leblanc Scholarship
James G. Lucchese Scholarship
Lynch Scholarship Award
Raymond J. Marion Scholarship Award
Christine Cannon Marc’s ’77 Endowed Scholarship
Prof. James McCarthy Memorial Scholarship
Milleret-Barnes Scholarship
Colonel Francis R. Moulin Scholarship
Albert G. Nault Sr. Scholarship
Agnes (Murphy) and Edward Neafsey Jr. and Marian (Kelliher) and Lawrence Picard Scholarship
Stephen ’69 and Cynthia O’Brien Scholarship
Matteo A. Pagano ’39 Scholarship
Amelia Peabody Charitable Fund
J. Romeo Pelletier ’52 Endowed Scholarship Fund
George & Jacqueline Picard Scholarship
Dr. Maurice B. Plasse Memorial Scholarship
Tom And Monte Plough Scholarship Fund
Clara Racine Reardon Scholarship
Hilaire J. Racine Scholarship
Joseph Racine Scholarship for Medical Students
G. Rainville and N. Rainville Family Scholarships
Joseph Riley ’11 Scholarship Fund
Colleen Ritzer ’11 Memorial Scholarship
Leo and Madeline Remillard Scholarship Prize
Maria E. Robert Scholarship
Mabel C. Ryan Scholarship
Alice L. Sabean Scholarship
John Enrico Scola Scholarship
Bertha M. and Elzeard J. Senecal Prize
Erika and Geoff Smith ’66 Scholarship Fund
Charles E. Soule Scholarship in Rehabilitation Counseling
Santander Bank Scholarship
Stanley and Mary Ann Snider Scholarship
The Spillane Family Endowed Scholarship Fund
Mrs. Nellie E. Surprenant Scholarship Fund
Rev. Arthur A. Sylvestre Scholarship
Richard Testa ’59 Scholarship
The Chester Thompson Scholarship in the Natural Sciences
The Shirley Thompson Scholarship in the Visual Arts
John and Helen Tinsley Scholarship Fund
Michael and Dorothy Tsotsis Scholarship Fund
Msgr. Roger Viau ’38 Scholarship
The Nita and Charles Volkavitch Scholarship
FEDERAL STUDENT AID PROGRAMS

FEDERAL PELL GRANT
The Federal Pell Grant Program is an entitlement award designed to provide financial assistance to undergraduate students who qualify on the basis of financial need. These are grant funds which do not need to be repaid. The amount of the Pell Grant is determined on the basis of the expected family contribution, the cost of education, the number of courses taken, and the number of semesters in attendance per academic year. All undergraduate students who request financial aid are reviewed for the Federal Pell Grant by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT (SEOG)
This is a federally funded grant program. Recipients are selected by Assumption College, and funds are generally reserved for undergraduate students with exceptional financial need.

FEDERAL DIRECT PERKINS LOAN
This is a long-term, low-interest (5%) loan program designed to assist students in paying for their college education. The loan is made to students by Assumption College through the federally sponsored Federal Direct Perkins Loan Program. Students must demonstrate exceptional need as determined by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The loan is interest-free while the student is enrolled and working toward a degree. Once the student either graduates or withdraws from Assumption College, the repayment of the loan commences after a short “grace period.” Deferment and cancellation benefits are available under certain conditions. The borrower generally is allowed 10 years to repay the loan.

FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM
The Federal Work-Study Program provides employment for students in need of financial assistance to help pay for their college education. Funds for this program are provided by the federal government and in part by Assumption College. Students are selected for these self-help funds based upon their financial need, and it is offered as part of the financial aid package. Funds must be earned, and will be paid weekly on an as-worked basis. All student employees are encouraged to sign up for direct deposit with a local bank.

WILLIAM D. FORD DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM
The William D. Ford Direct Loan Program is a low-interest, long-term educational loan available to students to assist them in meeting their educational expenses. Funds are provided by the federal government. Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Students who show need based upon this form will be eligible for a William D. Ford Direct Subsidized Loan. The William D. Ford Direct Unsubsidized Loan is for students who do not demonstrate need as determined by the Federal government. Limits for this program are set by the federal government depending upon the student's year in college.

VERIFICATION POLICY
The federal government selects random Financial Aid applicants for a process called “verification.” The Financial Aid Office will notify applicants if they have been selected, and what documents will be needed from them. Failure to respond to any verification request may result in the loss of financial aid. Additional information concerning the College’s specific verification procedures may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office.
EXPENSES 2014–2015

Tuition $35,510.00
Board 4,048.00
Room (Standard) 6,914.00
Student Activities fee 250.00
Student Health Services fee 150.00
Technology Fee 250.00
Medical Insurance 1,750.00

Required Deposits Freshman:
Qualification Deposit (all) 400.00
Dormitory Damage Deposit (residents) 350.00
Orientation Fee 400.00

Upperclassman:
Housing Lottery Room Deposit 400.00

Specific Fees:
Sixth Course – 3 Credits 3,551.00
Art Studio Supplies Fee 60.00 To 250.00
Foreign Language Media Fee 15.00
Laboratory Fee (per course) 25.00 To 55.00
Photography Fee 250.00
*Studio Photography Fee 175.00
Natural Science Course Fee 400.00
Freshman Application Fee 50.00
Transfer Student Application Fee 50.00
Leave Of Absence Fee (per semester) 250.00
Study Abroad Fee (per semester) 1,000.00
Transcript of Record 4.00
Education Practicum Fee 100.00
Graduation Fee 100.00
Disciplinary Program Fee 300.00
Recruiting Process Fee 15.00
Key Replacement 60.00
ID Replacement Fee 25.00
Audit (per credit) 1,184.00

Parking:
Resident 100.00
Nonresident 35.00

All charges are subject to review and change at any time by the Board of Trustees.
*Course may require security deposit.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Assumption College follows a policy of billing students directly. Bills for each semester are available prior to the beginning of each semester. Students receive their billing statements electronically through their student portal. For your convenience, payments may be made electronically through the student account center or through the payment gateway www.assumption.afford.com.

Students will not be considered officially registered and, therefore, will not be issued class schedules or officially listed in the class roster until their bill is paid. Payments are applied to a student’s bill in the order of past due balance, fines, interest, fees including room and board, miscellaneous charges, and finally tuition.

Specific fees are often assessed after the student’s class schedule is fixed.

The college does not offer deferred payment plan. Students wishing to use an installment plan must make private arrangements with Tuition Management Services a payment plan provider which offers this type of plan on a fee basis. Information on this plan is available or online http://assumption.afford.com or from the Student Accounts office.

Financial aid, loans, payments from deferred payment plans, etc., must be received by the payment due date each semester. Payments received after the due date will be assessed a $100 late fee. A late application for financial aid by a student does not excuse late fees charged by the College.

REFUNDS

No consideration will be given to applications for refunds from an individual course or the College unless the student has filed an official withdrawal notice with the Office of the Dean of Studies. The date of withdrawal is the last day of attendance. No amount paid is returnable upon a student’s voluntary withdrawal from the College as a matter of right. Also, no refund is made for delay in attending class at the beginning of a term or for withdrawal or dismissal beyond the eighth week of a semester.

Refunds made on tuition will be made in accordance with the following schedule:

1. Tuition—100% refund if withdrawal is on or before the first day of classes;
2. Tuition—90% refund if withdrawal is after the first day of the week that classes begin and before the end of the second week;
3. Tuition—50% refund if withdrawal is on the first day of the third week of classes and before the end of the fourth week of classes;
4. Tuition—25% refund if withdrawal is on the first day of the fifth week of classes and before the end of the eighth week of classes.

Refunds on board charges will be calculated on a daily pro-rata basis.
Refunds on room charges will be calculated on a daily pro-rata basis.
No refunds are granted on fees at any time.
Refund checks are issued by the Student Accounts once per week and mailed to the student’s address.
record with the Registrars' office. Any refunds due to the student will first be offset against any other amounts owed to the College.

Refunds related to the Student Accident and Sickness insurance plan are determined by the insurance carrier. Please refer to their pamphlet.

SECOND FAMILY MEMBER DISCOUNT
A $1,000 reduction is granted if more than one dependent member of a family is in full-time attendance. This credit is applied to the account of the older student.

COURSE OVERLOAD
Students taking more than 15 credits per semester will be billed per credit hour accordingly. The exception would be for Dean's List students who have the option of taking an additional course at no expense only for the following semester. Students will normally be charged for a sixth course consisting of three credits. Students taking a Natural Science course will be charged an additional $400.00 per four-credit course.

FAILURE TO PAY COLLEGE FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS
Enrolled students may be suspended from the College for past due obligations, an action which includes removal of courses and prevention from course enrollment and campus housing for future terms. Students whose accounts are not in good standing may not be allowed to participate in the housing lottery. Current and former students will have a financial hold placed on their “official” academic transcript. Past due obligations may be referred to a collection agency at the discretion of the College. In such cases, the student will be liable for any collection and legal fees which may total 50% of the outstanding bill.

TUITION REMISSION / STAFF COURTESY
The tuition remission form must be completed for each semester before tuition credit will be given. Tuition remission only applies to tuition, with payment for all other fees being the responsibility of the student by the specified due date.

GRADUATION CLEARANCE
Diplomas and official transcripts are released only upon full payment of all bills. All tuition, service charges, graduation fee, and miscellaneous fees, including library fees, must be paid in full by the announced graduation clearance deadline. Student accounts that are not fully paid by graduation clearance day are turned over to a collection agency if the account continues to be delinquent.

CAMPUS LIFE

THE STUDENT BODY
Assumption College is an institution born out of and standing within the Roman Catholic tradition. The student body, like the faculty, includes persons of many creeds, races, religious traditions, and nationalities. Ninety percent of the undergraduates are resident students. The remaining ten percent of students commute from Worcester and its suburbs. Of the resident students, approximately two-thirds are from New England. The other one-third come principally from the Middle Atlantic states, as well as from other parts of the United States and from abroad.

CAMPUS MINISTRY
The Office of Campus Ministry provides opportunities for all to enrich their spirituality, faith and love of God. By being faithful to God in our choices, in our daily work, in our openness to others and our availability in times of need, our whole life, under the action of the Holy Spirit, becomes an encounter with God. (Assumptionist Rule of Life, n. 45)

We welcome people of every tradition as well as those who aren't connected with any faith tradition. In collaboration with the Assumptionists and the Religious of the Assumption, we offer programs of spiritual growth inspired by the Assumption College motto, “Until Christ be Formed in You.”

Our popular retreat program invites students to get to know themselves and one another in an off-campus setting while exploring topics of identity, community, commitment, faith, and service. In response to the call of the Church to reach out to those who are poor, Campus Ministry’s SEND program provides multiple Spring, Summer and Winter Break immersion experiences with people who are economically or otherwise challenged. These opportunities help students grow by using their gifts to serve people in need while receiving from them in return.

The liturgical ministry program trains students to serve as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, and Altar Servers at our two student Masses. The Chapel Choir, open to any student with a desire to sing or play an instrument, provides music at our Sunday liturgies and offers additional programs each year. Weekly prayer opportunities include Sunday and daily Mass, Candlelight Prayer, adoration, and a rosary group. We also offer faith-sharing groups, spiritual direction, pastoral care and a variety of other spiritual development programs.

Campus Ministry in collaboration with the Office for Mission sponsors the Agape Latte program which provides a safe, social environment for students who are seeking to learn more about how faith applies to real life questions. "Agape" is the Greek word for
God's love. The program is roughly modeled on the successful Theology on Tap programs throughout the country. Topics such as friendship, hope, forgiveness, prayer, dating, discernment and growth in character are typical topics.

Campus Ministry also provides the opportunity to offer retreats to high school students and teach religious education classes for children in local parishes in the Worcester diocese.

Campus Ministry advises AC Allies, Assumption’s gay-straight alliance, which provides a safe place for students to gather to discuss issues connected to the LGBTQ community and also oversees Advocates for Life. This group gathers to discuss and educate the College community about a variety of life issues (e.g. euthanasia, abortion, death penalty, human trafficking).

Lastly, Campus Ministry also accompanied students who are interested in discerning a life of service to the Church, either as lay, religious brothers, sisters and priests.

The Office of Campus Ministry is located in the Tinsley Campus Ministry Center, and in the Charlie’s area of the Hagan Campus Center.

REACH OUT CENTER
The Reach Out Center (ROC) provides opportunities for students at Assumption College to engage in community service with their peers in the greater Worcester area. The ROC seeks to enhance students’ liberal arts education through meaningful, pro-active service, as well as creating a campus environment that inspires and supports civic responsibility and community action. The Reach Out Center strives to encourage and cultivate student leaders as they develop programs with agencies in Worcester, recruit volunteers, and assess effectiveness. Some of the agencies served by the Reach Out Center include Central Massachusetts Veterans’ Shelter, Rainbow Child Development, Inc., Pernet Family Services, St. Peter’s Mentoring and Worcester Public Schools. Located in Charlie’s in the Hagan Campus Center, the Reach Out Center is open five days a week and welcomes all interested students.

STUDENT AFFAIRS
Assumption College is concerned not only with the development of the mind, but also of the whole person. To this end, the College provides a number of developmental, health, career, guidance, psychological, and religious services for students. The Office of Student Affairs coordinates these student services. The purpose of this Office is reflected in its own mission statement: “We, the staff of the Division of Student Affairs at Assumption College, collaborate in the fulfillment of the College’s mission. As a Catholic liberal arts and sciences college, Assumption is a Christian community of men and women who are committed to the pursuit of learning, the love for each other, and the discovery of God.

We aim to facilitate the integrated development of the whole person and to provide a challenging environment for mutual exchanges, for responsible freedom, for a heightened intellectual, spiritual, and social awareness, and for a fundamentally joyful attitude about life. We endeavor to live by the education we offer.”

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES
Student Health Services (SHS), located in the Armanet House, provides holistic, high-quality, confidential, episodic and urgent care, as well as health education for full-time undergraduate students currently enrolled at Assumption College. Our highly qualified staff encourages and educates students to make healthy lifestyle choices and become advocates for their own healthcare. Clinic services are provided by Nurse Practitioners who work in collaboration with a consulting Physician. Health Education for the campus community is provided by a Certified Health Promotion Specialist and PAWS (a student peer health education program). Nutrition counseling is provided in collaboration with dining services. Services offered by SHS are covered by tuition and the Student Health Services fee. There are no office fees or co-pays for visits to SHS and the school health insurance plan does not need to be purchased in order to receive care at SHS. However, health insurance is mandatory and a low cost student health insurance plan is available through the Finance Office. A student’s insurance plan may incur charges for additional medical services, including (but not limited to) lab tests, radiology tests, prescription medications, and ambulance transportation. Clinic services are available Monday-Friday, 9AM–5PM when classes are in session.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG EDUCATION
Assumption College provides appropriate support and responses to alcohol and other drug-related concerns of students by providing education, consultation, assessment, and referral to other constituents when necessary. Through educational workshops and programs, the College facilitates campus-wide awareness of alcohol and other drug related issues. Assumption students are invited to participate in a bystander assistance program called the Red Watch Band. Additionally, AlcoholEdu, which is an on-line alcohol class, is required of all first year and transfer students. Other initiatives include but are not limited to weekly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings held on Friday evening’s at 8:00 in La Maison and our student peer education group PAWS (Peers Advocating Wellness for Students) who provide wellness programs for students that address alcohol/drug concerns as well as a myriad of other health and wellness topics.
STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND COUNSELING CENTER
The Assumption College Student Development and Counseling Center, located at 26 Old English Road (across from the Chapel and up the cement stairs), offers a broad range of services to help students with their personal, social, educational, and career concerns. These are available on both an individual and a group basis. The staff of the Student Development and Counseling Center offers a variety of special programs that include group counseling, assertiveness training, communications, personality development, and other activities as need and interest warrant. The Center is handicapped accessible at 26 Old English Road (front of the building).

Counseling for personal growth addresses issues of development and adjustment for students at all stages of their college years. Services (included in tuition and the Student Health Services fee) are available to all fulltime undergraduate students who need to resolve specific questions related to student life, as well as those who are dealing with the more general process of self-discovery and understanding. The counseling staff offers services and/or referrals to address the full range of mental health issues. Information shared in counseling is confidential.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT & INTERNSHIP CENTER
The Career Development & Internship Center (CDIC) assists full-time undergraduate students in identifying their strengths, skills and gifts for the purpose of preparing for success after graduation.

CDIC supports students through the process of obtaining and applying for:
• Internships
• Full-time Jobs
• Graduate School
• Post-graduate Service Programs

Support is provided through:
• Workshops, Events & Programs
• Walk-in Resume Clinics
• Individual Advising
• Assumption Career Connection online job, internship & career resource center
• Interviews with recruiters

Email us at careerdevelopment@assumption.edu or visit Assumption Career Connection at assumption-csm.symplcity.com/ for more information about the CDIC and to schedule an appointment. The CDIC is located on the lower level of Alumni Hall in Alumni 026.

CROSS-CULTURAL CENTER
The Cross-Cultural Center (CCC) promotes multicultural awareness and educational programming for the Assumption community to support and complement the College's commitment to diversity. The Center serves as a resource for students, staff, and faculty. It is an inclusive and safe space for students to come and explore their identities and also learn about other races, cultures, and religions. The Cross-Cultural Center staff support, advise and advocate for Assumption's ALANA (African, Latino/Hispanic, Asian, and Native-American) student population and serve as a resource for international students as they transition to college and throughout their college experience.

In collaboration with other departments, the College sponsors clubs and organizations, cross-cultural programming and cross-cultural education through a variety of outreach and awareness programs, lectures, workshops, retreats, and performances that explore both the shared and unique experiences of our community. The Center staff work in partnership with faculty to develop programs that enhance cross-cultural understanding and emphasize human dignity, solidarity, and the importance of working for justice for all people.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE
The Office of Residential Life is responsible for overseeing the daily operations and activities within the residential areas, which houses more than 1900 students in eighteen residence halls, suites, apartments, and townhouse complexes. The staff is comprised of the Director of Residential Life, an Associate Director of Residential Life, an Assistant Director of Residential Life, seven Resident Directors (full time professionals responsible for the supervision of the area), and fifty-six Resident Assistants (students who assist the resident directors in their responsibilities). Together they work to ensure that on-campus living will be an enjoyable, safe, inclusive, and educational experience. The Office provides a variety of administrative, referral, and programming functions. Our goal is to create a community-oriented environment that maximizes a person’s potential for academic and co-curricular development. We look to our students to provide the enthusiasm and commitment to help us achieve a positive learning atmosphere within our College community.

In collaboration with Campus Ministry, the Office of Residential Life administers the Peer Ministry program, which provides an opportunity for student leaders to participate in the work of faith development among our students and to grow in their own faith. Peer Ministers work in collaboration with the Resident Assistants in each hall on campus to plan and implement prayer opportunities with the residence halls each week. Additionally, Peer Ministers encourage one-on-one conversations about faith with residents within the halls. Peer Ministers also meet each week as a group to develop their own faith and establish leadership skills.
The office is located on the first floor of Salisbury Residence Hall.

Housing Options include

- **Honors Housing**
  This alternate housing option provides students with a community that fully supports the attainment of academic excellence. The mission of the Honors Housing is to provide students with a seamless educational environment in a smaller residential setting.

- **Substance-free Housing**
  In order to provide students with another residential option, the College offers substance-free housing in Nault Hall. Residents voluntarily choose not to use or possess alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs in this hall, and ensure that their guests abide by these same guidelines.

- **Living Learning Center**
  The LLC is a living learning community for students who are intellectually engaged and want to strengthen their capacity to critically analyze differing viewpoints, to speak clearly and persuasively, to develop an awareness of current events bearing on our global society, and to gain a better understanding of Catholic intellectual tradition. This model provides opportunities for students to enhance their undergraduate experience through involvement with faculty and staff in a unique residential community.

**CAMPUS POLICIES**

In any academic community, policies are necessary to maintain order and an atmosphere conducive to academic and co-curricular success. They are based on the premise of responsible freedom, a principle that helps to shape the mature citizen of tomorrow. Assumption College expects the members of this voluntary community to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the values that are the foundation of our Catholic institution. Written policies serve as guidelines toward reasoned action. These policies are recorded and described in detail in the Student Handbook and supplemental bulletins. Attendance at Assumption College represents acceptance of these policies and a commitment to abide by them. The Vice President for Student Affairs is responsible for most areas of student life outside of the classroom. Various advisory boards, which include student representatives, serve to recommend and formulate policy.

**OFFICE OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

The Office of Student Conduct enforces the College Conduct Code and administers the student conduct process. The overall goal of the department is to establish a safe educational environment that fosters individual responsibility, integrity, and respect. The Office of Student Conduct strives to attain that goal by promoting responsible decision-making, educating students about College policies, holding students accountable for their actions, and helping them learn from their mistakes. The conduct process is designed to be transparent, fair, expedient, and respectful of students' rights.

**ATHLETICS AND RECREATION**

**INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**

The Intercollegiate Athletics Program is directly related to the education of the students. It is designed to enhance the athletics skills and competitive instincts of all participants. In addition, intercollegiate athletics assists in the development of the personal characteristics of fairness, cooperation, self-control, and good sportsmanship, and to extend the student's physical and social capacities. The College is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), and competes at the Division II level. Assumption is also a member of the Northeast-10 Conference (NE-10).

Assumption College offers the following athletic programs in NCAA Division II and the Northeast-10 Conference:

- Baseball (Men's), Basketball (Men's and Women's), Cross Country (Men's and Women's), Field Hockey (Women's), Football (Men's), Golf (Men's), Ice Hockey (Men's), Lacrosse (Men's and Women's), Rowing (Women's)/Independent Conference Membership, Softball (Women's), Soccer (Men's and Women's), Swimming and Diving (Women's), Track and Field (Men's and Women's), Volleyball (Women's).

If you are interested in participating in an Intercollegiate Athletic program, please contact the respective athletic program's coach.

**INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY**

Students who desire to participate in the intercollegiate athletic program must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center prior to enrollment. Members of Intercollegiate Athletic teams must comply with the NCAA rules on eligibility and meet the academic standards of Assumption College. Assumption College chooses to adhere to a higher minimum academic standard for its student athletes than the NCAA minimum. For further details regarding academic eligibility, please refer to the Student-Athlete Handbook or contact the Athletic office.

**RECREATION**

Recreation is committed to a student centered approach for recreation programs and facilities. By providing diverse recreational opportunities we
promote a sense of community, support student development through leadership and employment opportunities, and encourage the pursuit of a healthy active lifestyle for the entire campus community. The Recreation programs are designed to enrich the college experience for all participants. A large variety of intramural sports, instructional classes, club sports, and special events are offered to allow every participant maximum enjoyment, regardless of previous playing experience and/or ability. The Plourde Recreation Center is fully equipped with cardio equipment, free weight, machines, & stretching/meditation areas. It also includes a pool, racquetball courts and multipurpose courts for a variety of open recreation opportunities. There are numerous opportunities for employment and leadership positions in Recreation such as facility monitor, facility supervisor, intramural official, lifeguard, aerobics instructor and more. We hope the Recreation programs will help you meet new friends, develop new interests, make worthy use of your leisure time, and have a more rewarding academic year through a balanced lifestyle that includes physical exercise. Assumption College is an institutional member of the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
The elected representatives of the student body constitute the Student Senate of the SGA. This group is responsible for the recognition and the financing of student clubs and activities and for serving as the official means of communication between the student body, administration, and faculty.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD
This organization sponsors a major portion of the social, entertainment, cultural, and educational activities at Assumption. Some annual activities include Family Weekend, the Spring Concert, Siblings' Weekend, Fall Fever, late night weekend programming, and the Holiday and Spring Balls. Participation in CAB gives students valuable experiences in leadership development, group process, and event planning.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
There are many opportunities for students to get involved on campus. The Office of Student Activities hosts a Club Fair during the first week of school, giving all students the opportunity to meet students involved in organizations and to see all that Assumption has to offer.

ELIGIBILITY RULE ON CO-CURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT
A student failing to make reasonable progress toward graduation risks curtailment of his/her right to participate in co-curricular activities. The Dean of Campus Life and the Dean of Undergraduate Studies will address academic issues with elected and selected leaders who do not maintain a 2.5 GPA. General membership in clubs and organizations does not require a 2.5 GPA.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS
- *Le Provocateur*, the student newspaper, covers campus news as well as student opinion.
- *The Heights* yearbook captures the spirit of college life in pictures and words.
- *The Muse* is Assumption College's magazine for the creative arts. Primarily dealing with literary endeavors of undergraduates, the magazine also publishes photographs, especially of paintings and sculpture, and touches on nearly all art forms.
- *The Student Handbook*, prepared by the Dean of Students, summarizes the basic policies and services of the College. It also includes information pertinent to living in on-campus housing and outlines the policies and services attendant to residence at the College. It is distributed annually to all students at the beginning of the academic year.
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<td>Undergraduates last day to declare majors prior to Fall 2016 course selection</td>
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WHAT'S NEW IN ADVISING:
2014–15 ACADEMIC CATALOG

Summer Day School Courses
This summer, the College is offering a range of undergraduate day school courses in two summer sessions. This is a great option for current students who failed or withdrew from a course, or took a lighter load at some point, or for entering first years who may have AP credit or are otherwise ahead, and would like to accelerate completion. These summer courses will also be open to qualifying high school students or other college students in the area. Cost: $2,500 per 3-credit course. These are not transfer courses: there is no need for department chair approval. If someone in the class of 2018 who is local would like to get a jump on their degree, they may register for Summer Session II. Please note: there is no on-campus housing for summer session II. Just approve the course in their WebAdvisor plan for Summer Session II, and guide them to student accounts and the registrar to pay and sign up by paper.

Here's what's on offer:

Summer II (July 7–August 15)

**ART 101** Drawing/Egnaczak
MW 10:30–2:30, LACL 204

**PHI 100** Intro to Philosophy/Kirby
TR 10:00–1:00, FUHA 207

**BIO 105** Human Heredity w/lab/Betancourt
TR 8:30–11:30, TESC 117; Lab TR 1:00–4:00, TESC 136

**ENG 130** English Composition/Shields
TR 8:30–11:30, TESC 117

**ENG 304** Business & Tech Writing/DiDomenico
MW 9:30–12:30, INTB 122

**HIS 115** West and the World II/Christensen
TR 10:00–1:00, FUHA 214

**MAT 117** Calculus/Alfano
MTWR 8:30–10:00, KEHA 203

**PSY 116** Abnormal Psychology/Volungis
MW 11:30–2:30, KEHA 204

**MKT 101** Marketing/Lewis
MW 9:30–12:30, LACL 112

**SPA 103** Spanish III/Guerrero-Watanabe
TR 11:30–2:30, KEHA

**THE 100** The Bible/Klofkt
MW 10:30–1:30, FUHA 207

Newly Named Consortium
The Colleges of Worcester Consortium (COWC) has been reconfigured and renamed the Higher Education Consortium of Central Massachusetts (HECCMA), under the directorship of Jeanine B. Went. Participants in the Consortium are still Anna Maria College, Assumption College, Becker College, Clark University, College of the Holy Cross, Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Nichols College, Quinsigamond Community College, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester State College, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Cross-registration has not changed. Member colleges permit full-time day students to take courses at other Consortium colleges. Registrants are limited to one cross-registered day course per semester. If a similar course is offered at the home institution, permission may be denied. Students are registered on a space-available basis. Course information can be obtained through the Office of the Registrar or on the website at http://courses.heccma.org/. All cross-registration procedures for Assumption College students should start by filling-out a form online and bringing it in person to the Office of the Registrar at Assumption College. The consortium shuttle has been discontinued, and alternate transportation options are under discussion.

New Major: Criminology
The major in Criminology is anchored in the discipline of sociology. Consequently, it provides students with a theoretically sophisticated understanding of crime as a social phenomenon, both regarding its causes and its consequences for society. Coursework in the major encompasses the study of how laws are made (the sociology of law), why some people break those laws (theories of crime), and the societal reaction to law-breaking behavior by the criminal justice system (the field of penology). Students who major in Criminology gain both a broad and deep understanding of the history of the field of criminology as an academic discipline, exposure to the theories of legal creation, knowledge of the sociological, biological, and psychological theories that offer explanations for why people engage in criminal behavior, and an appreciation of how the criminal justice system operates—from the time of arrest by the police, through formal processing by the courts, and extending to sanctioning (incarceration and supervision).

As a social science with its roots in sociology, the Criminology major is based on the same core requirements as the sociology major. As a result of this disciplinary grounding in sociology, the Criminology major emphasizes the central importance of students gaining proficiency in social science research methods and sociological theories. Students who major in Criminology design, execute, and present a senior research project relevant to the field in the required two-semester Internship Seminar, taken in the senior year. In addition, the required Internship Seminar provides opportunities for experiential learning in agencies and organizations within the criminal justice system or closely allied professions (e.g., victim services agencies).
Students who complete the major in Criminology are prepared for graduate study in criminology, criminal justice, related social sciences, and the law. Should graduates aspire to more immediate employment opportunities, the Criminology major prepares them for careers in law enforcement, institutional corrections, probation and parole, in social and human service agencies that deal with crime victims, or in a number of diversion and treatment programs that are designed to provide alternatives to incarceration, especially for juvenile offenders.

**Required Courses (13)**

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| Electives (5) | Two from Law and Society and three from Structural Factors. |  |
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| Law and Society (2) | Sociology of Law |  |
| CRM/SOC 275 | Constitutional Law |  |
| POL 316 | Juvenile Delinquency |  |
| CRM/SOC 243 | Victimology |  |
| CRM/SOC 325 |  |

| Structural Factors (3) | The Sociology of Urban Life |  |
|------------------------|----------------------------|  |
| SOC 206 | Race and Ethnic Relations |  |
| SOC 216 | Social Inequality in Society |  |
| SOC 232 | Gender Issues in Society |  |
| SOC 224 | Masculinities |  |
| SOC 295 | Social Policy |  |
| SOC 234 |  |

**New Majors: Education**

Beginning in Fall 2014, Education will become a major program of study at Assumption. All education students will still need to pursue a concurrent content major in an academic discipline (e.g., English, History, Mathematics, MCLC, Science, Visual Art). In essence, students who successfully complete the requirements of the Education major will earn a double major upon graduation (i.e., Education major and content major). The courses that satisfy the Education major are similar in structure/sequence to the traditional Education concentration, for all licensure options.

Though the major will be in effect for the class of 2018, students who will graduate in the classes of 2015–2017 may elect to pursue the requirements of the new major if they desire.

**New Major in Secondary Education, paired with Content Major**

Students must complete the traditional requirements of their respective content major. No special ‘tracks’ apply to secondary education students.

**New Major in Elementary Education, paired with adapted Content Majors**

Unique, 10-course elementary education “tracks” have been created by our partner departments of English, History, Mathematics and MCLC, designed to allow elementary education majors to satisfy the content major. When advising elementary education students, indicate to advisees that they should select courses from the respective track for their chosen content major. If an elementary student under the new track system decides to drop out of the Education major, she/he must revert to the traditional requirements of the content major.

**New Major in English Literature: Elementary Education Track**

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<td>EDU 302 Teaching English Language Learners</td>
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<td>ENG 263 Children’s Literature</td>
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<td>ENG 220W Approaches to Reading and Interpretation</td>
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<td>1 Writing Unit Course</td>
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<td>2 Survey courses from among ENG 221, or ENG 222 or ENG 223</td>
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**Major in Mathematics: Elementary Education Track**

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**New Major in Spanish or French: Elementary Education Track**

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New Major in History: Elementary Education Track

Required Courses (10)

HIS 114/115 West and World I & II or
HIS 116/117 Western Civilization I & II
EDU 323 History and Social Science in the Elementary Curriculum
HIS 180 or HIS 181 U.S. to 1877 or U.S. since 1877
4 HIS electives above 200, one from each of the three groups listed in catalog
HIS 393W Seminar
HIS 391 Pro-Seminar

New Major in Philosophy, Pre-Business Track (Linked to AC's Early Track MBA)

Today’s businesses and today’s world need citizens who can reason inquisitively, reflectively, and logically, communicate clearly, and provide ethical leadership in and out of the workplace. The Philosophy, Ethics, and Business 6-in-5 BA/MBA Program is designed to provide students with the best of a Catholic liberal arts education and advanced professional training in business. Grounded in a rigorous undergraduate liberal education, graduates of this program will receive highly relevant professional training and be poised to launch successful and meaningful careers.

In the Philosophy, Ethics, and Business 6-in-5 BA/MBA Program, students earn a BA and a Masters in Business Administration in five years instead of the traditional six year time frame. As undergraduates, students take a Philosophy Major, Pre-Business Track. In the summer prior to their MBA year, students take the intensive Foundations in Business Program. In their fifth year students complete Assumption College’s accelerated Early Career Track MBA.

Philosophy seeks wisdom about fundamental and universal issues, and its study cultivates rigorous thought and clear communication. Requiring several ethics-related courses and two business courses, the twelve-course Philosophy Major, Pre-Business Track, addresses themes related to ethics, business, and economic life and can fit with most other majors as a second major. As part of their philosophy major, students will take PHI 202 Ethics, PHI 290 Property and Civic Life, and PHI 320 Business Ethics. These courses help prepare students to understand business activities in their ethical and civic context. After graduation, students will complete an accelerated business program designed for liberal arts majors, the Early Career Track (ECT) MBA program. This one-year MBA includes a “professional practice” concentration in which students acquire real-world experience working in local businesses while completing advanced courses that cover a range of key business disciplines.

Students are guaranteed acceptance into the Early Career Track MBA Program upon graduation, if they complete the Philosophy Major, Pre-Business Track, while earning a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 3.0.

Required Courses (12)

PHI 100 Introduction to Philosophy
PHI 202 Ethics
PHI 290 Property and Civic Life (New course)
PHI 320 Business Ethics

Three Courses in the History of Philosophy (from three eras):
1. Ancient Philosophy (PHI 350–354)
2. Medieval Philosophy (PHI 355–359)
3. Modern Philosophy (PHI 360–369)
4. Contemporary Philosophy (PHI 370–389)

Three electives in Philosophy (at least one numbered above 300)
MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I

Students should take PHI 100 Introduction to Philosophy and PHI 202 Ethics in their first and second years, thereby fulfilling the prerequisites for all other philosophy courses (which may be taken in any order). The two “gateway” courses, PHI 290 Property and Civic Life and PHI 320 Business Ethics, should then be taken. MGT 100 and ACC 125 may be taken at any time, but doing so earlier will allow students to take more business courses and reduce the number of Foundations in Business courses required for their MBA. In addition, with permission from the chair of the Business Studies Department, students may take up to two MBA courses as undergraduates. Students should, ideally during the spring of their junior year, consult with the Business Studies Department and apply to the MBA program, looking forward to admission at the end of their senior year.

Students completing these major requirements but opting not to continue into the Early Career Track MBA program will graduate with the BA major “Philosophy, Pre-Business Track,” unless they take additional courses to qualify for the standard Philosophy Major.

New Minor in Sport Management

Students interested in developing a deeper understanding of the sport industry and sport management are encouraged to consider a minor in Sport Management.
**Required Courses (7)**

- MGT 100 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MKT 101 Principles of Marketing
- ACC 125 Principles of Accounting I
- MGT 342 Sport Management
- MKT 344 Sports Marketing

Electives (2) Choose any two of the following:
- MKT 346 Sport Media and Communication
- MGT 350 Professional and Ethical Responsibilities in the Sport Industry
- ECO 340 Economics of Sports
- ENG 302.01 Special Topics in Journalism: Sports Writing I
- ENG 302.02 Special Topics in Journalism: Sports Writing II
- BUS 399 Internship in Business

**New in General Education**

Two courses in the College’s new Criminology program—CRM/SOC 242 Criminology, and CRM/SOC 130 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System—are now included as Sociology options in the social science part of the core. So the courses that count in the core for Sociology are now: SOC 121 Principles of Sociology, SOC 122 Social Problems, CRM/SOC 242 Criminology, and CRM/SOC 130 Introduction to the Criminal Justice System.

GLS 100 Introduction to Global Studies, which used to be called ECO/GEO 120, is now among the options for completing the social science requirements in the core. So the courses that now count in the core for Geography and Global Studies are: any Geography Course, and GLS 100 Introduction to Global Studies.

Beginning in Fall 2014, HIS 180/181 (United States History I and II) will be available for core credit, alongside History 114/115 (West and the World I and II) and History 116/117 (Western Civilization I and II). As with the other two sequences under the current configuration of the core, students must complete either half of the sequence (180 or 181) for history credit in the core and the alternating half to meet the humanities depth requirement (should they choose to fulfill that requirement by taking history). As before, however, students may not mix and match sequences to receive credit in the Humanities depth; they need to take the set, unless they study in Rome. HIS 150R Roman Civilization is approved as second history humanities credit regardless of which initial history course a student took.

If students take ITA 101R in Rome and are deemed by MCLC ready for ITA 103 on return, they may complete the core language requirement with these two courses: ITA 101R and ITA 103.

MUS 126 Global Pop counts as art/music/theatre in the core.

**New policies**

**Internships for credit.** Starting immediately, internships for credit may be for pay. Individual instructors of courses involving internships will determine their own course policy, but the college no longer requires internships for credit to be unpaid.

**Degree in Progress.** Starting with the Class of 2017, degree in progress candidacy (permission to walk at commencement if you aren’t completed) is only for final year deficits, not those caused earlier in a student’s career. Any course or credit shortage that precedes the senior year disqualifies a student for degree in progress consideration. This policy is meant to motivate students to address course and credit shortages in a timely way, and to reduce the recently burgeoning number of students requesting degree in progress. Further, we will no long require students to present a plan indicating completion by 31 August after commencement. While we would desire and urge summer completion, we will no longer require that promise.

**Minor GPA.** Starting with the class of 2018, all minor programs of study must be completed with a 2.0 or higher grade point average the same as major programs of study.

**Study Abroad Billing.** Starting with the fall 2014 cohort of applicants, the study abroad billing policy will change from providers billing the student, to providers billing the college. Students will be charged home tuition, room, and board and the $1,000 study abroad fee, and the college will cover those costs to the provider. All financial aid—federal, private or merit-based—still applies.

**New Agreement** Master of Arts in Heritage Studies Agreement with Regis College.

Qualified history majors and minors are eligible may apply to the MA in Heritage Studies at Regis College on a preferential basis. For AC applicants, the application fee and GRE/MAT requirement will be waived. On admission, two (2) of the required courses in the M.A. program would be waived, and two eligible AC courses, completed at a B or higher, transferred to the Regis program of study. Courses eligible for transfer are: HIS 391, HIS 393W, AAS 350, HIS 366, WMS 385, or other as approved by Regis. Deadline to apply is April 1 of the senior year. Questions? Contact Deborah Kisatsky, Chair of History, dkisatsky@assumption.edu.
New Accelerated Degree: B.A. in Philosophy Pre-Business, MBA

See above for the details on this new Philosophy major, leading to an accelerated Assumption Early Track MBA.

New Courses

ART 107 Collage and Assemblage This course is an examination of collage and assemblage—art made from the found and collected debris of the contemporary world. Questions of memory, history, fragmentation, ecology, and language will be explored in the making of collages from found, recycled, and constructed images and objects. These things that resonate with the past might suggest a collective memory for humanity but one that is hazy at best. We will consider the public culture of mass produced objects and the autobiographical symbolism of private mementos, as we raise questions about memory, history, recycling, and reuse in relationship to material culture. These issues will be addressed in the making of collages from recovered, recycled, and constructed images and objects and in class discussions. In addition to studio work, assignments include readings, films, and in-class presentations.

ARD 317 Motion Graphic Design Visual design and technical strategies will be developed to effectively work with moving type and images in a timeline, from storyboards through production to distribution. The history of moving images and motion graphic design will be introduced to support contemporary theories and practices. Working with time-based, sequential processes will increase visual communication Strategies and conceptual abilities, while developing skills needed to convey information as successfully as possible. Being able to create animated graphics, kinetic typography, and video projects, as well as work with sound, will help students to better prepare for an ever-expanding graphic design field. Adobe Photoshop, Adobe After Effects, and Final Cut Pro will be used. Required for Graphic Design Majors. Pre-requisites: ARD 215 and ARD 217.

BIO 390/HRS 390 Exercise Physiology This advanced course is designed to provide students with applied knowledge relative to the human's physiologic responses to acute and chronic exercise stress. Students' basic knowledge of neuromuscular physiology, energy metabolism, cardiovascular and respiratory physiology will be honed to focus on human exercise response with focus in the course being on applications to exercise training and programming, sport, nutrition, youth, aging and disease. Laboratory exercises will enable practical skills to be gained in measuring and testing for physiological markers of human readiness and response to exercise.

CSC 265 Website Development Using WordPress This course will teaching students how to design and implement websites using the WordPress content management system. Websites created with WordPress can be updated by almost anyone who can use a word processing program. The only software required is a browser. As a CSL course, students can design websites for agencies in which the agency personnel can update the website themselves. The course will cover obtaining a domain name, hosting, creating the website, using plug-ins to do other functions like calendars and e-commerce. Prerequisite: either CSC 113, or CSC 117, or ARD 218.

CRM/SOC 130 Introduction to Criminal Justice This survey level course introduces students to the purpose, structure, and function of the criminal justice system, which represents the government's official response to crime. Students will learn about the role of the various aspects of the criminal justice system (i.e., law enforcement, courts, corrections) in responding to and controlling crime. A significant focus of the class will be on critical analysis of criminal justice policy and programs, such as mandatory minimum sentences for drug offenses, New York City's stop and frisk campaign, sex offender residency restrictions, mandatory arrest laws for domestic violence, day reporting centers for probationers and parolees, and victimless prosecution of domestic violence cases. The course will also force students to consider the challenges facing the criminal justice system, including an aging prison population, the impact of incarceration on families and communities, the pressure to efficiently process high caseloads, and protecting personal liberties while keeping citizens safe. Counts as a social science in the core.

CRM/SOC 275 Sociology of Law This course examines the interrelationship between law and society by focusing on the "law in action," versus the law "on the books." It offers a broad introduction to the law as a social institution, and it analyzes how the law shapes the form and function of other key social institutions such as the family, the economy, and the state (politics). Specific substantive topics covered include: theories of legal creation, types of legal systems, theories of social control and punishment, how laws are used to effect social change (the controversy of "judicial activism"), how racial and class inequalities in society affect the creation and administration of law, and how the work of key theorists in the discipline of sociology (primarily Marx, Weber, and Durkheim) have contributed to the field. There is less emphasis on the content of law (i.e. legal doctrine and case law) than on the study of how laws reflect and shape core societal values. Prerequisite: SOC 121.
CRM/SOC 325 Victimology This course is designed to provide students with an understanding of the complexity of criminal victimization from multiple perspectives: the victim's society's, and the criminal justice and other response systems. The course begins by exploring the nature and extent of the problem. Then, it moves on to explore theoretical frameworks used to explain criminal victimization. Next, it examines the consequences of victimization for victims, their loved ones, and society at large. The course concludes with a selection of special topics.

HIS 150R Civilization in Rome This course exploits the unsurpassed opportunity afforded by the city of Rome to consider developments in Western Civilization over the past three millennia. No urban environment can better illustrate the remarkable overlay of cultures that have influenced and reflected the works, first as a capital city for the ancient Republic and Empire, then for Western Christianity, then as the unifying center of the Kingdom of Italy, and lastly for the Post-War republic. This course can fulfill either half of Core sequences (HIS 114–115 or HIS 116–117), or count as a history elective; or fulfill either half of Core sequences (HIS 114–115 or HIS 116–117), or count as a history elective; or with an independent paper, it can count as a HIS 389 Special Topics class, especially great for history majors.

HIS 338 Classics of Spiritual Direction (SOPHIA course) Over the course of two millennia, the Christian tradition has developed an extensive and subtle literature of spiritual counsel. Spiritual guides in every century offered new frameworks for understanding the Christian condition and responding to the call of the heart. Some of these writings, as a result of their exquisite clarity and intimacy, have transcended their time as classics of the genre, offering the most profound insights into the yearnings, trials, and deepest consolations of the soul. (Typical authors include Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Catherine of Siena, Ignatius Loyola, François de Sales, Thomas à Kempis, and Thérèse of Lisieux, among others.) This course surveys this exceptional treasure-trove of spiritual literature in a way that both embeds it within its historical and cultural context, and captures its perennial validity and relevance, even (or especially) for the contemporary world. Counts for SOPHIA Initiative and MEMS.

HIS 366 Vocations in Public History “What can I do with a degree in history?” This course introduces students to a variety of careers pursued by public history professionals, from archivists, curators, and editors to administrators, cultural resources managers, and policy advisors. In the process of examining the diverse manifestations of presenting the past beyond the classroom, we will analyze the professional issues and political problems that practitioners of public history encounter. This will include an exploration of the relationship between historians and communities engaged in conversations and debates about both the purpose of history education and the intersections of history, cultural memory, heritage, and commemoration. Students will also gain practical experience through participating in a Community Service Learning project or internship in collaboration with a local public history institution or organization.

HRS 431 Treatment Strategies and Interventions for Substance Use Disorders This advanced course will focus on the theories, approaches, strategies and interventions currently utilized for the effective treatment of alcohol and substance use disorders. Specific attention will be paid to change theory and the importance of motivating individuals for change. Evidence-based interventions such as motivational interviewing and cognitive-behavioral techniques will be highlighted. Content covered will deepen students understanding of substance use disorders and facilitate the development of skills and competencies associated with addiction intervention strategies. A variety of individual and group treatment modalities will be covered with specific attention paid to psychoeducational strategies. This course will also introduce crisis intervention for treating clients with substance use disorders. (Prerequisites: HRS 200 and HRS 330)

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MGT 350 Professional and Ethical Responsibilities in the Sport Industry The culture of winning reflects a set of longstanding American values. During contemporary times, issues in sport such as performance-enhancing drugs, cheating, and violence have become important topics for sports managers. This course examines the professional and ethical responsibility of the sport manager, as well as ethical issues confronted by sport managers. Students will be asked to not only identify these issues within the sport industry environment, but also to analyze, discuss, and debate the sport manager’s professional and ethical responsibility in addressing these issues through ethical
decision making. Students will also explore principle-centered leadership in sport.

**MKT 327 Social Media Marketing** This course will cover one of the fastest growth areas within the marketing discipline—social media marketing. Over the last half dozen years, organizations have shifted more of their marketing expenditures from traditional to digital marketing campaigns. Moreover, within digital marketing, expenditures for campaigns that involve social media tactics have grown exponentially. Although specific social media platforms or channels such as MySpace, Facebook, or Twitter may come and go, the underlying principles behind social media of engaging present and potential customers with content that they want to share with others are here to stay.

**MKT 346 Sport Media and Communication** This course introduces students to the role of communications in sports as well as the growing use of new media technology. Students will explore the various channels for communication within the sport industry and how sport organizations communicate with their target markets and other stakeholders. Areas of focus will include the use of public relations, television, radio, print media, as well as digital technologies. Special attention will be paid to how sport organizations leverage new technologies such as the internet, mobile technology, social networking, streaming video, and user-enhanced content.

**MUS 125 Global Pop**
This course explores musical traditions from a variety of nations with an emphasis on the popular music industry in each. This course examines the forces that enable the movement of music and musicians around the world and that give global music its persuasive power. Topics include music as expressive culture, music production, ethnicity and identity in pop music, music as symbol, cross-cultural collaborations in popular music, and music as a force that transcends sociological, political and national boundaries. Counts in the core as Music.

**PHI 356 Seek and Find: Augustine Seminar**
The course offers an introduction to the life and thought of Augustine whose philosophy resides at the heart of an Assumptionist education. Augustine was a constant seeker: his personal question for truth and truthfulness didn't end when he found God. The course offers a close reading of Augustine's own account of his spiritual journey in the Confessions, one of the most influential books in Western intellectual history. We’ll further explore important topics addressed in the Confessions—Augustine's analysis of the human condition (our “restless heart” and ‘metaphysical nature’), self, freedom, evil, happiness, truth, love, God, faith and reason, education, social engagement, a Christian existence, etc.—through the study of other works by Augustine and authors of the “Augustinian tradition.” We want to draw inspiration from these readings to find models of the philosophical quest for truth and a good life that we can relate to in our personal, professional, social, and spiritual development. Prerequisites: Philosophy 100, a 200-level Philosophy course.

**PSY 230 Positive Psychology**
This course explores contemporary research in positive psychology, neuroscience, and psychology of religion on how spirituality (mindfulness, meditation, religion), positive emotion and traits, and humor, impact well-being. This course invites students to understand factors that allow individuals to thrive and lead a meaningful and fulfilling life. Students will read both science and non-science sources to understand the neuroscience that lends empirical validation to our understanding of what constitute a “good life.” Students will also participate in experiential exercises to apply course concepts to their own lives, develop knowledge to live well, and contribute to their communities. This course helps students integrate knowledge across specializations in psychology (positive psychology, psychology of religion, neuroscience) as well as across disciplines (e.g., philosophy and theology). Students will be challenged to think about how the claims of faith can be integrated with and/or compared to science as they explore the complementary of faith and reason.

**PSY 308 Family Psychology**
This course will provide students with an understanding of normal family function including family interaction and communication patterns and normative family life cycle transitions. Students are introduced to various theoretical frameworks used to conceptualize family function, including family systems theory. Furthermore, the role of gender, culture, and ethnicity in families is examined. Students are familiarized with research methods and coding systems utilized in family research and will have the opportunity to practice analyzing family interaction patterns portrayed in case examples.

**Changes to Existing Programs of Study**
The Graphic Design Major has shifted MKT 101 Principles of Marketing from a specifically required course to an elective option, and now requires a new course, ARD 317 Motion Graphic Design. MKT 326 Marketing on the Internet is no longer an elective.

The Graphic Design minor now requires ARD 217 Typography, raising the total number of courses in the Graphic Design minor from 6 to 7.
The Studio Art Major has added ART 107 Collage and Assemblage as an alternative to ART 106 Sculpture I. Students must take one or the other. It has reduced the art history requirement from two courses to one, and has added a further studio course or graphic design course. Finally, instead of 3 additional studio art courses, two at the 300-level, students must now complete Drawing II and Painting II and either Drawing III or Painting III.

The Studio Art Minor has similarly reduced the number of art history courses required from two to one, and requires Drawing II and Painting II, rather than one or the other.

Changes to Course Name, Number, or Designation
ARD 218 Graphic Design for the Web is now ARD 318. Same title.

MGT 301, formerly "Environments of Business," is now called, "Business and Society."

HRS 400, formerly "Individual in the Community" is now called "Field Experience in Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies."

Television Production courses, previously listed with ART, MUSIC, and THEATER courses will be housed in the English Department section of the Assumption College course catalog, with the English Literature and Writing and Mass Communications courses, beginning with the Fall of 2014. In order to prevent confusion with THA/Theater courses, we have selected a new designator, TVP, and new course numbers for the Television Production courses. The new course designations are in bold type, listed below:

TVP 290 Television Communications Skills replaces THA 388 TV Communications Skills
TVP 295 Television Production I replaces THA 395 TV Production I
TVP 390 Television Production II replaces THA 496 TV Production II
TVP 395 Special Topics in Television Production is a new number that distinguishes Special Topics in Television Production from ENG 301 Special Topics in Writing and Mass Communications
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