

Ohio Northern University had a general education plan from 2011-16 that was based on seven learning outcomes. Students met the requirements of the general education plan by taking courses that specifically addressed these learning outcomes, known as tagged courses. Students had to complete four required courses (ENGL 1221, transition experience, the extradisciplinary seminar, and the capstone sequence) plus earn a total of 20 tags in the seven learning outcomes. Students supported the general education assessment by submitting artifacts to Taskstream.

Beginning in 2016-17, ONU's general education plan has ten learning outcomes. This plan requires students to take ten courses plus the capstone sequence. The writing seminar, transition experience, and the seminar course are part of these requirements. General education assessment will be completed by the faculty instructors of gen ed courses.

2011-16 ONU General Education
1a. Effective communication: writing (Writing Seminar and capstone)
1b. Effective communication: non-written (2 tagged courses)
2. Critical and Creative Thinking (transition experience, capstone, EXDS 2001 seminar, and one more tagged course)
3. Scientific and Quantitative Analysis (2 tagged courses)
4. Diversity (2 tagged courses)
5. Integration Across Disciplines (2 tagged courses)
7. Aesthetics (2 tagged courses)
6. Ethics (2 tagged courses)
Plus 2 additional tags

Current ONU General Education
1. Effective written communication (Writing Seminar and capstone)
2. Effective spoken communication (one course)
3. Critical and Creative Thinking (transition experience and capstone)
4. Knowledge of Natural Science (one course)
5. Knowledge of Mathematics (one course)
6. Knowledge of Human thought and culture (one course)
7. Knowledge of Human society and interaction (one course)
8. Knowledge of Principles of Aesthetics (one course)
9. Knowledge of Principles of Civics and Ethics (one course)
10. Understanding Cultural Diversity Seminar (one course)

Mapping Students from 2011-16 Gen Ed to Current Gen Ed

Students who begin their studies at ONU in 2016-17 will automatically be moved into this new general education plan. Students who began their studies at ONU prior to 2016-17 will be transitioned to the new general education plan as follows. A list of courses approved for each learning outcome is available in the student's Degreeworks audit. We have designed this transition to make sure all students are not delayed in completing the general education plan.

1. Effective Written Communication: ENGL 1221
2. Effective Spoken Communication: One course from the list or one tag from the prior outcome #1B
3. Critical & Creative Thinking: transition experience course plus capstone
4. Natural Science: One course from the list. (College of Business students can use one tag from prior outcome #3)
5. Mathematics/Statistics: One course from the list
8. Aesthetics: One course from the list or one tag from prior outcome #7
9. Civics/Ethics: One course from the list or one tag from prior outcome #6
10. Diversity Seminar: Either EXDS 2001 seminar or one of the new approved Diversity seminars (Spring 2017 and on)

Plus choose two of the following four learning outcomes to complete:

- One tag from prior outcome #4
- One tag from prior outcome #5
- One course from current human thought and culture list
- One course from current human society list