University Core and Graduation Requirements

University Core Requirements:

Requirements
#Classes Hours Classes
Religion Cornerstones
Teachings and Doctrine of The Book of Mormon 2.0 REL A 275
Jesus Christ and the Everlasting Gospel 2.0 REL A 250
Foundations of the Restoration 2.0 REL C 225
The Eternal Family 2.0 REL C 200
The Individual and Society
American Heritage 3-6.0 from approved list
Global and Cultural Awareness 3.0 from approved list
Skills
First Year Writing 3.0 from approved list
Advanced Written and Oral Communications 3.0 from approved list
Quantitative Reasoning 3.0 from approved list
Languages of Learning (Math or Language) 3.0 from approved list
Arts, Letters, and Sciences
Civilization 1 3.0 from approved list
Civilization 2 3.0 from approved list
Arts 3.0 from approved list
Letters 3.0 from approved list
Biological Science 3.0 from approved list
Physical Science 3.0 from approved list
Social Science 3.0* SFL 210 or SOC 112
Core Enrichment: Electives
Religion Electives 6.0 from approved list
Open Electives Variable personal choice

*These classes fill both University Core and Program Requirements (0-3 hours overlap)

Graduation Requirements:

Minimum residence hours required 30.0
Minimum hours needed to graduate 120.0
Suggested Sequence of Courses

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Have 27 hours of campus residency.
Complete a minimum of 9 hours in the emphasis after formal admission to the BGS program.
Thirty of the 120 hours must be 300-level or above courses.
Students must earn a minimum 2.0 BYU grade point average, a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average, and a minimum 2.0 emphasis grade point average.
The program must be completed in eight years or less.
All emphasis courses taken after admission to BGS must be BYU courses.
Before applying to the Education BGS, the student must have (1) been accepted into a teaching major at BYU (Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Physical Education Teacher Education, Special Education, or Secondary Education teaching major), (2) completed all university core and specific teaching major requirements, *except* student teaching, and (3) earned the minimum course grades and GPA requirements for their
teaching major (this varies depending on when student was accepted into the teaching major).

requirement 1 Complete 1 course
Prerequisite Course (must be completed before taking any other courses, includes preparing academic plan which must be approved before proceeding):
STDEV 100 - Essential College Skills 1.0

requirement 2 Complete 9.0 hours from the following course(s)
Courses on this list taken prior to being accepted to the Education BGS or those required for completion of the teaching major cannot be counted for this requirement. (Check with BGS office for current list of courses.)
EL ED 340 - Children's Literature 3.0
ENGL 420 - Young Adult Literature 3.0
PSYCH 320 - Developmental Psychology: Childhood 3.0
SFL 210 - Human Development 3.0
SFL 240 - Parenting and Child Guidance 3.0
SFL 311 - Infant Development in the Family 3.0
SFL 333 - Adolescent Development in the Family and Other Social Contexts 3.0
SFL 334 - Adult Development and Aging in the Family 3.0
SFL 351 - Social Development 3.0
SFL 355 - Language Development 3.0
SFL 358 - Media, Family, and Human Development 3.0
SOC 112 - Current Social Problems 3.0
SOC 350 - (Soc-Psych) Introduction to Social Psychology 3.0

requirement 3 Complete 1 course
STDEV 490 - Bachelor of General Studies Capstone 2.0

THE DEGREE:

Brigham Young University’s Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) Program offers former BYU students who are no longer able to attend BYU an opportunity to complete their bachelor’s degree from anywhere. Applicants must have already completed 27 credit hours (exam credit excluded) at the BYU campus in Provo as an admitted day student and must abide by the Church Educational System Honor Code and receive an annual ecclesiastical endorsement. This program is not available to current BYU students who have fewer than 90 credits.

The Bachelor of General Studies degree is designed to help former BYU students utilize as much as possible of their previously earned credit. It uses the same BYU curriculum offered on campus and requires the same general education, religious education, and campus residency as on-campus degrees. However, up to 90 of the required 120 credit hours can be earned through Independent Study. The major is general studies, with an emphasis in one of seven areas of study. The emphasis adds a measure of specialization. Students may earn only one emphasis and do not have the option of creating custom-made areas of study. However, within the number of general electives available, students can utilize credit previously earned in a former major or choose to take courses in a particular concentration.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants complete the admissions procedure through the Bachelor of General Studies Office and pay a fee of $35. Admission to the BGS program is open to former BYU students who meet all of the following criteria.

• Have completed a minimum of 27 semester hours of BYU on-campus credit in Provo as an admitted day student.
• Have not completed any courses as a BYU day-continuing student in the last two years or have completed a minimum of 90 credits (exam credits excluded).
• Never completed a bachelor’s or higher degree.
• In good standing (academic, financial, etc.) at all universities attended.
• Have a 2.0 or higher BYU and cumulative GPA. (If any academic disciplinary action—warning, probation, or suspension—has been taken against you, contact the BGS Office before proceeding with the application process.)
• Will abide by the BYU Code of Honor and receive an annual ecclesiastical endorsement.
• Have been approved by the BGS admissions committee.
• Have successfully completed the Student Development 100 course (1-credit Independent Study course taken after provisional acceptance into program).

**Note: BGS students who discontinue or who have previously discontinued the program for any reason and apply for readmission must meet all admission and graduation requirements in place at the time of reapplication. Regulations, policies, fees, curricula, courses, and other requirements are subject to change at any time.**

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

The requirements for the university core and for individual emphases are found on the MAP on the reverse side of this sheet. Additional instructions regarding credits necessary for graduation are as follows:

• Only classes completed after admission to the BGS program will count towards the 9 credits required to complete the Education emphasis.

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Religious education hours are a requirement at BYU, but the actual number of hours varies for students with transfer credit. Contact the BGS Office for details regarding individual circumstances. No more than 18 total hours of religion may be counted toward the BGS degree.

**ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS:**

Completing the university core and emphasis requirements will not necessarily provide sufficient credits for students to meet the overall BYU minimum credit hours needed for graduation. Students should be aware of the number of elective hours needed (preferably from the upper division level) in order for them to graduate.

**MAP DISCLAIMER**

While every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, there are some student populations that could have exceptions to listed requirements. Please refer to the university catalog and your college advisement center/department for complete guidelines.

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