

The Integrative Studies B.S. asks students to focus on multiple capacities that they wish to develop and combine for individualized career paths. While each self-styled program is different, the orientation/capstone experiences and general education core provide commonality, regardless of concentrations. Minors and Associate degrees can be combined to create the individual's program of study. The culminating experience requires students to demonstrate exceptional communication skills, presentation skills, as well as self-assessment skills in order to market themselves in their chosen career path.

Communication Competency

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
|---|--|--------------|---------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| COMM 105 or COMM 121 or COMM 221 | Interpersonal Communication or Fundamentals of Public Speaking or Small Group Decision Making | 3 | SPEE 102 | Fundamentals of Public Speaking | 3 |
| ENGL 150 | English 1 | 3 | ENGL 103 | Freshman English 2 | 3 |
| ENGL 250 | English 2 | 3 | ENGL 104 | Freshman English 3 | 3 |
| ENGL 311 or ENGL 321 or ENGL 323 or ENGL 325 | Advanced Technical Writing or Advanced Composition or Proposal Writing or Advanced Business Writing | 3 | No Equivalent | No Equivalent | 0 |

Quantitative Literacy – see below or Any MATH Course Higher Than MATH 115; Consult Advisor for Exceptions, or Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher, or Official Post-2016 Math SAT Score of 580 or Higher, or Official Math ACT Score of 24 or Higher

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
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| MATH 114 or MATH 115 | Quantitative Reasoning for Professionals or Intermediate Algebra | Varies | MATH 102 | Mathematical Literacy | 4 |

Natural Sciences Competency - 1 course with lab

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
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| Varies | Natural Sciences Electives | 6 | Varies | Varies | 6 |

Culture Competency - 3 courses required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from 2 different disciplines and have at least 1 at FSU 200 level or higher course

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
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| Varies | Culture Electives | 9 | Varies | Varies | 9 |

Self and Society Competency - 3 courses required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from 2 different disciplines and have at least 1 at FSU 200 level or higher course

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
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| Varies | Self and Society Electives | 9 | Varies | Varies | 9 |

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses or may visit www.ferris.edu/gened.

Diversity Competency – 2 Courses Required

If not met by courses taken for Culture, Self and Society, or MTA, a student must meet the following:

- 1 course with the Global Diversity attribute
- 1 course with the U.S. Diversity attribute

College Requirements – 81 Credits Required

Major Courses – 4 Credits Required

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
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| COAS 495 | Orientation Capstone | 4 | No Equivalent | No Equivalent | 0 |

Electives – 77 Credits Required

In order to graduate with a bachelor's degree, a student must have a minimum of 120 credits. The electives required for each student may vary depending on courses taken. Based on how a student meets the programmatic requirements, they may need more or less than 77 credits of elective courses to meet the required 120 credit minimum.

| FSU Course | FSU Course Title | FSU Cr. Hrs. | SMC Equiv. | SMC Course Title | SMC Cr. Hrs. |
|------------|--|--------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| COAS 491 | Integrative Students Internship (Strongly recommended, but not required) | 1 – 8 | No Equivalent | No Equivalent | 0 |

NOTES:

This program is not available to students who would be better served with another bachelor's program offered at Ferris State University and may not be received as a second bachelor's degree using the same credits as another Ferris State University bachelor's program.

A minimum of 40 credits of 300 Ferris level or higher courses must be earned.

Students will develop an academic plan in consultation with the program coordinator.

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| Total Possible Southwestern Michigan College Credits (No more than 90 credits can be applied to the Ferris bachelor's degree) | 90 |
| Total Ferris State University Credits | 30 |
| Total Credits Required for Degree | 120 - 122 |

Program Delivery Locations and Contact Information:**Main Campus, Big Rapids****College of Arts, Sciences, and Education**

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Ferris Online

(231) 591-2340 | ferrisonline@ferris.edu | [Financial Aid Consortium Agreement Eligible](#)

Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location).

General Admission Criteria**Transfer Students**

- Must have at least 12 credits including one English course and one Mathematics course
- Must have an overall GPA of 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale)

New Student Admission Requirements for incoming freshman refer to the Ferris Catalog. www.ferris.edu/catalog

Steps to Apply

1. Complete a free application at www.ferris.edu/apply.
2. Submit Official transcripts from every school attended to:
 - Ferris State University Admissions Office, 1201 S. State St, CSS 201, Big Rapids, MI 49307
 - Transfer@ferris.edu
3. Submit Test Scores (if required)
 - ACT Scores; go to www.act.org. Ferris State University School Code: 1994
 - SAT, CLEP and AP Scores; go to www.collegeboard.org. Ferris State University School Code: 1222

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for selection of Directed Electives.

Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to effective and/or revised date on the bottom of this guide and the Ferris Catalog at www.ferris.edu/catalog.

Partners may contact the Transfer Services Center with questions or updates at otssp@ferris.edu.