



**BACHELOR of ARTS in DIVERSITY and COMMUNITY STUDIES (#631)**  
 Diversity & Community Studies  
 University College  
 Western Kentucky University

The suggested program of study shown below should be used in consultation with your advisor(s). Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected.

**Success Markers**

**SAMPLE - 4 year plan**

FIRST YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<i>Visit <a href="#">The Learning Center</a> for free tutoring</i>  <i>Join a Student Organization like Toppers Unite for Feminism (TUFF), Greentoppers, or Americans for Informed Democracy (AID)</i>	ENG 100 – Intro to College Writing (F-W1)	3	ENG 200 – Intro to Literature (F-AH)
World Language (if needed) OR General Elective		3	World Language (if needed) or General Elective	3
MATH 109 General Math <b>or</b> MATH 183 Introductory Statistics (F-QR)		3	COMM 145 Fund Public Speaking & Comm (F-OC)	3
<b>DCS Core Course:</b> ICSR 200 Intro to Social Justice		3	HIST 101 World History I <b>or</b> HIST 102 World History II (F-SB)	3
UC 175 – University Experience		3	<b>DCS Core Course:</b> GWS 200 Intro to GWS	3
<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

SECOND YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<i>Looking for a minor? DCS offers four!</i>  <i>African American Studies, Gender &amp; Women's Studies, Citizenship and Social Responsibility, and Gerontology. How about one of those?</i>	Arts & Humanities (E-AH)	3	Natural & Physical Sciences (E-NS)
Social & Behavioral (E-SB)		3	ENG 300 Writing in the Disciplines	3
<b>DCS Core Course:</b> AFAM 190 African-American Experience		3	<b>DCS Formations</b> selection (6 of 6 hours)	3
<b>DCS Formations</b> selection (3 of 6 hours)		3	Elective in the major or minor	3
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<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

**World Language Proficiency:** All students entering in Fall 2014 or later must demonstrate proficiency in a world language at the Novice High level before completing 60 credit hours. Novice high is the ability to communicate in writing and speaking on familiar topics in simple sentences. To meet this requirement, students may take college language courses or take a proficiency test. For more information go to [www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/](http://www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/).

**Colonnade Program:** All students entering in fall 2014 or later must complete 39 hours in 13 specific Colonnade areas. Colonnade areas are listed in parentheses marked in blue after the corresponding classes. Some areas may have specific course requirements while others can be chosen from selected lists of options. For more details and to see lists of options, go to [http://www.wku.edu/colonnade/documents/approved\\_colonnade\\_courses\\_website.pdf](http://www.wku.edu/colonnade/documents/approved_colonnade_courses_website.pdf)

THIRD YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<i>Visit <a href="#">Career Services</a></i>	Natural & Physical Sciences with lab (E-NS, LS)	3	Connections: Social & Cultural (K-SC)
<b>DCS Core Course:</b> ICSR 300 Public Problem Solving		3	<b>DCS Systems</b> selection (6 of 6 hours)	3
<b>DCS Advocacy</b> selection (3 of 6 hours)		3	<b>DCS Advocacy</b> selection (6 of 6 hours)	3
<b>DCS Systems</b> selection (3 of 6 hours)		3	Elective in the major or minor	3
Elective in the major or minor		3	Elective in the major or minor	3
<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

FOURTH YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	<i><a href="#">Apply for Graduation</a></i>	Connections: Global to Local (K-GL)	3	<b>DCS Core Course:</b> DCS 400 Capstone
Connections: Systems (K-SY)		3	Elective in the major or minor	3
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<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

**Total Credit Hours: 120**

\*Denotes prerequisite courses before admission

**PLEASE NOTE:** Prerequisites, Course Numbers, and Course Titles are subject to change.

Consult your advisor each semester.

**For more Information:**

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Course Descriptions: <http://www.wku.edu/undergraduatecatalog/>