

GENERAL EDUCATION ENTRY STANDING

Entry Standing Level

The Entry Standing:

- Determines which General Education requirements a student must fulfill and the number of January Sessions that must be completed.
- Is assigned when students take their first Bethel course after their date of high school graduation.
- Is based on semester credit hours from another institution that have been completed prior to enrolling at Bethel and accepted for transfer, as well as any coursework taken for credit through a Bethel-sponsored high school and/or early college program.
- Will not be changed from the original level assigned unless a student leaves Bethel and returns after a period of two or more years, during which time the student earned credits at another college or university and did not complete any courses at Bethel.

Visit Bethel's General Education Curriculum Policies webpage (<https://www.bethel.edu/undergrad/academic-affairs/curriculum/general-education/>) for information about our General Education Policies and Transfer Entry Standing Charts.

Students who already have a Bethel Bachelor's degree and who are completing a second degree or major are considered to have met all General Education requirements. They need only meet the requirements for the major, including the major residency requirement.

Helpful Notes:

- Entries of 'Yes' mean students must take the course to complete their chosen degree
- Entries of 'No' mean students are exempt from taking the course to complete their chosen degree

Appeal of Entry Standing Level

Students who believe their entry standing level is incorrect or should be adjusted, may appeal that decision by submitting the form found on the Registrar's Office webpage (<https://www.bethel.edu/registrar/forms/>).

Entry Standing Charts for students who entered prior to Fall 2024 can be found on the General Education Curriculum Policies webpage (<https://www.bethel.edu/undergrad/academic-affairs/curriculum/general-education/>)

Print Version: Entry Standing Level Chart for students entering Fall 2024 and beyond (<https://www.bethel.edu/undergrad/academic-affairs/files/general-education-2024-and-beyond-transfer-chart.jpg>)

General Education Requirements by Entry Standing 2024-2025	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Completed MNTC	Completed A.A., B.A., or B.S.
Credits	0-29	30-59	60-90 +		
FIRST YEAR FOUNDATIONS					
GES 140 Introduction to Wellbeing*	Yes	No	No	No	No

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GES 130 Christianity and Western Culture*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
GES 160 Inquiry Writing Seminar**	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
GES 125 Introduction to the Creative Arts	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE					
Artistic Experience (A)	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS					
BIB 101 Introduction to the Bible	Yes	Yes	Choose 1: BIB 101 or THE 201 (must be at Bethel)	Choose 1: BIB 101 or THE 201 (must be at Bethel)	Choose 1: BIB 101 or THE 201 (must be at Bethel)
THE 201 Christian Theology	Yes	Yes	Choose 1: BIB 101 or THE 201 (must be at Bethel)	Choose 1: BIB 101 or THE 201 (must be at Bethel)	Choose 1: BIB 101 or THE 201 (must be at Bethel)
MATH, SCIENCE, AND, TECHNOLOGY					
Mathematics (M)	Yes	Choose 2: M, D, or K	Choose 1: M or D	No	No
Laboratory Science (D)	Yes	Choose 2: M, D, or K	Choose 1: M or D	No	No
Science, Technology, and Society (K)	Yes	Choose 2: M, D, or K	No	No	No
CULTURAL INTELLIGENCE					
Second Language (S)	Choose 4: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 3: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 2: L, G, U, S, or Z	No	No
Cross-cultural Experience (Z)	Choose 4: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 3: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 2: L, G, U, S, or Z	No	No
Contemporary Western Life and Thought (L)	Choose 4: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 3: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 2: L, G, U, S, or Z	No	No
World Cultures (U)	Choose 4: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 3: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 2: L, G, U, S, or Z	No	No
Comparative Systems (G)	Choose 4: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 3: L, G, U, S, or Z	Choose 2: L, G, U, S, or Z	No	No
SENIOR CAPSTONE					

Contemporary Christian Issues (P)*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total Credits	48-56	38-46	18-22	10	10
OTHER REQUIREMENTS					
January Sessions that must be completed at Bethel	3	2	1	2	1

* Must be taken at Bethel

** GES 160 Inquiry Writing Seminar includes both speaking and writing components. GES 160 can be fulfilled by transferring in courses that fulfill the writing component (GES161 Inquiry: Writing) and the speaking component (GES162 Inquiry: Speaking). Students may also transfer a course that meets the writing component (GES161 Inquiry: Writing) and take one of the following Speaking courses: COM 110 Basic Communication, COM 324 Professional and Technical Communication, COM 386 Advanced Public Speaking, or COM 387 Speaking in Ministry Contexts at Bethel.