

**West Chester University
BA in Media & Culture
Advisement Sheet**

(Effective for students entering Fall 2019 & later.)

Indicate all the courses you have taken at WCU or transferred for credit. For completed courses, also list the grades. Mark an asterisk (*) beside courses you are currently taking.

Minimum grades for graduation:

- A grade of C or better is required in all major courses. Also, an aggregate GPA of at least 2.5 must be earned across all courses counted toward the major.
- A grade of C or better is required in both WRT courses (120 and 200).
- A grade of C- or better is required in the 202 level of foreign language, or in the 102 level and all culture cluster courses.

I. MDC CURRICULUM (39 cr.)

All majors complete 6 core courses (18 credits):

MDC250 _____ MDC253 _____
MDC251 _____ MDC254 _____
MDC252 _____ MDC255 _____

6 elective courses (18 credits) selected from concentration areas. At least 9 credits must be taken from one concentration area:

Course/Grade _____
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1 capstone course (3 credits) selected from either MDC 494 or 495:

Course/Grade _____

Prerequisites:

- MDC 250 & MDC 251 are prerequisites to all upper level MDC courses
- ART 113 can be substituted for MDC 251
- MDC 250 & MDC 251 plus at least 15 credits of MDC coursework, instructor consent and minimum GPA of 2.5 required for MDC 494
- MDC 250 & MDC 251 plus one upper level MDC course along with instructor consent required for MDC 495

Notes:

- MDC 490, 491, & 492 may be taken more than once as long as the topic is different.
- MDC 494 can be taken for up to 15 total credits but only 3 count toward the major.

II. APPLIED AREA (18-24 cr.)

Courses to be selected in consultation with an advisor to meet career objectives. Minors in related areas are encouraged; minor courses may count toward the applied area.

Course/Grade _____
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III. LANGUAGE/CULTURE (3-15 cr.)

Option 1: Foreign language proficiency through the Intermediate II (202) level.

101 _____ 201 _____
102 _____ 202 _____

Option 2: Foreign language proficiency through the Elementary II (102) level plus three culture cluster courses within the same language area.

101 _____, 102 _____, and
Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____

Notes:

- Culture cluster courses must be selected from at least two different prefixes.
- The 201 level of a language may be used as one of the three culture cluster courses.
- Students may demonstrate foreign language proficiency through testing administered by the Dept. of Languages and Cultures

IV. GENERAL EDUCATION

A. Academic Foundations (19 cr.)

FYE (4 credits) _____
WRT 120 _____
WRT 200 _____
MAT xxx _____
(J) Diverse communities MDC250 _____
(I) Interdisciplinary _____

Notes:

- An advanced placement student who places into and passes WRT 200 or above is not required to take WRT 120.
- Any 200 level WRT course will satisfy the WRT 200 requirement.
- Any MAT course at the 103 level or above will satisfy the MAT requirement.
- Incoming first-year students are placed into the appropriate MAT course based on their performance on the online Mathematics Placement Examination (available on D2L).
- An (I) course can **not** simultaneously satisfy a distributive requirement.
- An (I) course **can** simultaneously satisfy the diverse communities requirement (J).

B. Distributive Requirements (21 cr.)

Humanities (6 cr.)

Select two courses with two different prefixes, from the current undergraduate catalog list of approved courses: CLS 165, 260, 261; HIS 100, 101, 102, 150, 151, 152, 444; LIT 100, 165, 219, 220; PHI 100, 101, 150, 180, 206, 207, 220, 280, 282

Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____

Behavioral and Social Sciences (6 cr.)

Select two courses with two different prefixes, from the current undergraduate catalog list of approved courses:

ANT 101, 102, 103; ECO 111, 112, 200; GEO 101, 103, 200, 214; PSC 100, 101, 213; PSY 100; SOC 200, 204

Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____

Science (6 cr.)

Select two courses with two different prefixes, from the current undergraduate catalog list of approved courses: BIO 100, 110; CHE 100, 103, 107, 160; CSC 110, 115, 141; ESS 101, 111, 112, 130, 170; PHY 100, 105, 123, 130, 140, 170, 180

Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____

The Arts (3 cr.)

Select one course from the current undergraduate catalog list of approved courses: ARH 101, 103, 104, 210, 211; ART 106, 111, 113, 228, 231; DAN 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 150, 210; EGE 405; ESP 305, 309; FLM 200, MHL 121, 125, 210, 312, 325; MTC 110; SPA 313; THA 101, 103, 212

Course/Grade _____

Notes:

- Distributive requirement courses can **not** simultaneously satisfy the (I) requirement
- Because THA 103 is prerequisite to MDC 320, students wishing to take MDC 320 are encouraged to take THA 103 to meet their Arts requirement.

C. Emphasis Courses

Writing Emphasis (9 cr.):

Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____

Notes:

- Students with fewer than 40 transfer credits must take 3 (W) courses; those with 40 to 70 transfer credits must take 2 (W) courses; those with over 70 transfer credits must take 1 (W) course.
- At least 1 (W) course must be at the 300/400 level.
- WRT courses do **not** satisfy the writing emphasis requirement
- (W) courses may not be transferred to WCU
- (W) courses may simultaneously satisfy other degree requirements (in gen. ed., major and minor)

Speaking Emphasis (9 cr.):

Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____
Course/Grade _____

Ethics Emphasis (3 cr.):

Course/Grade _____

Additional Notes:

- A minimum of 120 adjusted credits is required for graduation.
- At least 30 of the last 45 credits must be earned at WCU.
- Except for free electives, courses taken to fulfill general education requirements may **not** be taken Pass/Fail.