

KEAN UNIVERSITY - COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
(53101) B.A. IN LIBERAL ARTS 120 S.H.

Minimum GPA Required for Declaration: 2.0

Minimum GPA Required for Major: 2.0

Overall Minimum GPA Required for Graduation: 2.0

EFFECTIVE DATE: Fall 2024

GENERAL EDUCATION 41-43 Semester Hours (S.H.)		ACADEMIC MAJOR 34 S.H. (Total)	
Foundation Requirements:¹	13 S.H.	Major Required Courses:	18 S.H.
GE 1000 Transition to Kean ² –or– GE 3000 Transfer Transitions ²	1	SOC 2000 Introduction to Social Justice	3
ENG 1030 Composition ³	3	PHIL 2505 Critical Thinking	3
MATH 1000;1010; 1016; 1030; 1044 ¹ ; or 1054	3	ENG 3090 Business and Professional Writing	3
COMM 1402 Speech Communication	3	COMM 3520 Organizational Communication or COMM 3590 Business and Profession Communications	3
GE 202X Research & Technology (2023 recommended)	3		
Disciplinary & Interdisciplinary Distribution Requirements:¹	28-30 S.H.	HIST 2303 US History to 1877, or HIST 2304 US History 1877 to present	3
Humanities	9 S.H. (from different areas)	PS 1010 Intro to Politics, or PS 2100 American Politics	3
*ENG 2403 World Literature	3		
Take two “GE Approved” courses from two areas below:		Major Elective Courses:	12 S.H.
Fine Arts/Art History	3		
Philosophy or Religion	3	BLA 3291/3292/3293 (required)	3
Foreign Languages (Must take I and II for credit)	3	Approved Social Justice Themed Courses	6
Music or Theatre	3	(See page 2 and 3 for course options)	
Interdisciplinary	3	One Additional Course from CLA	3
Social Sciences	9 S.H. (from different areas)		
*HIST 1062 Worlds of History	3	**Major Capstone Courses	4 S.H.
Sociology 1000 ⁴	3		
Take one additional “GE Approved” course from below:		BLA 4980 Career Capstone***	1
Psychology	3	BLA 4990 Research Seminar in Liberal Arts***	3
Economics or ES 1010-World Geography	3		
Political Science	3	FREE ELECTIVES	
Anthropology	3	at least 50% must be 3000/4000 level	43-45 S.H.
Interdisciplinary	3	Must include at least one Academic Minor (can be combined With Major Elective Courses)	15 +
Science and Mathematics	10 or 12 S.H.		
MATH 1010;1016;1030;1054; or CPS 1032;1231	3-4		
Lab Science (from Biology; Chemistry; Environmental Sciences; Earth Sciences; Forensic Sciences; Interdisciplinary; Physics; or Sustainability Sciences)	4	Special Notes:	
Additional “GE Approved” Science Course	3-4	¹ See pre-requisites and equivalencies (on page 2)	
From Biology; Chemistry; Environmental Sciences; Earth Sciences; Forensic Sciences; Interdisciplinary; Physics; or Sustainability Sciences		² University requirement for graduation for all undergraduate students that must be satisfied in one of two ways: Complete GE 1000 (all freshmen and transfers entering with 0-29 credits) OR complete GE 3000 (transfers entering with 30 credits or more)	
		³ ENG 1030 requires grade of C or higher	
		*GE Distribution course required of all students	
		**Course required by Major	
		⁴ SOC 1 is a prerequisite. to SOC 2000	
		***Major capstone courses require a grade of C or better	

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT DATE (FALL 2020)
Degree shell developed. Fall 2020 (Registrar/VPAA/Senate/UCC/GE-120
mandate)

GENERAL EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL EDUCATION INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Testing and Placement

Incoming freshmen and transfer students may be placed in specific GE Foundations, Developmental or ESL courses as a result of testing and/or multiple measures placement prior to registration. Students may be exempt from testing due to SAT/ACT scores or prior college work.

Prerequisites and Equivalencies for

GE Foundations Courses

GE 1000/GE 3000 is a University Graduation Requirement

GE 1000

Required of all freshmen & transfers entering with 0-29 credits

Prereq: None Equiv:
ID 1001

GE 3000

Required of transfers entering with 30 credits or more

Prereq: 30 credits and ENG 1030

ENG 1030

Prereq: Placement testing or exemption from placement testing

ENG 1025 if required by placement testing
Equiv: ENG 1031/1032, ENG 1033/1034, ENG 1430 (ESL version), ENG 1620 (Honors version), ENG 1020, ENG 1400

MATH 1000 or MATH 1044*

Prereq: MATH 0901 if required by placement testing

*MATH 1044 is available as a Foundation option for CBPM students only

Equiv of MATH 1000: MATH 1001/1002,
MATH 1003/1004, MATH 1051

MATH 1010 or 1016 or 1030

Prereq: MATH 0901 if required by placement testing

Co-requisite: Math 0902 (only required, with advisement, based on placement test score and intended major)

MATH 1054

Prereq: MATH 0901 if required by placement testing and MATH 1000

COMM 1402

Prereq: CS 0412 if required by placement testing

ENG 1025 if required by placement testing
May be taken concurrently with ENG 1030
Equiv: COMM 1400

GE 2021- 2026 *Research and Technology* is offered as college-based course

GE 2021 College of BPM

GE 2022 College of EDU

GE 2023 All College of CLA

GE 2024 College of NAHS & NJCSTM & NWGC (Speech Language and Hearing Science majors)

GE 2025 SFPA & Michael Graves College

GE 2026 Undecided Majors and other special populations

Prereqs: CS 0412 if required by placement testing;
ENG 1030 or equivalent course

Equiv: GE 2020

GE Distribution Courses

Note: Equivalent courses may be prior General Education or prerequisite course work taken by students that is now discontinued.

Approved GE Distribution Courses

All courses taken under the General Education Disciplinary/Interdisciplinary Distribution requirements must be selected from the Approved General Education Distribution Course List.

These courses are designated as GEHU, GESS, and GESM.

GEHU Humanities

GESS Social Sciences

GESM Science and Mathematics

Required GE Distribution Courses

ENG 2403 is a required Humanities Distribution course with an emphasis on diversity.

Prereq: CS 0412 if required by placement testing; ENG 1030 or equivalent

Equiv: ENG*2203

HIST 1062 is a required Social Sciences Distribution course. Prereq: None

Foreign Language Credit

The three credits for a foreign language that may satisfy the GE Disciplinary/Interdisciplinary Distribution Requirement are awarded only upon successful completion of the second of two semesters of study at the introductory or intermediate level.

Credit for the first semester may be used as elective credit.

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

GE 1000/3000 Requirement

All undergraduate students must satisfy this University requirement for graduation by successfully completing one of the following courses at Kean University: GE 1000 Transition to Kean (all freshmen and transfers entering with 0-29 credits) or GE 3000 Transfer Transitions (transfers entering with 30 credits or more).

Writing-Emphasis Requirement

All students are required to complete one "Writing-Emphasis" course. The "W-E" course must be within the major portion of your program. Consult your major program advisor for specific information.

Social Justice Themed Courses

(Additional courses may apply with approval)

ANTH 1800 Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH 2801 Intro to African American Culture	3
ANTH 2802 Intro to African American Experience	3
CJ 3500 Diversity and Criminal Justice	3
ENG 2220 Diverse Traditions and Voices of American Literature I: Beginnings to 1860	3
ENG 2221 Diverse Traditions and Voices of American Literature II: 1865 to Present	3
HIS 3306 20 th Century Black History	3
HIS 3363 America in the 1960s	3
PS 2100 American Politics	3
PSY 2630 Psychological Perspectives on Prejudice & Racism	3

Check prerequisites for the above courses.

Additional Social Justice Themed Courses

PSY 3630 Social Psychology	3
PSY 3340 Psychology of Woman	3
SOC 3350 Social Inequality in America	3
SOC 3401 Gender and Society	3
COMM 3525 Communication and Conflict Resolution	3
COMM 3530 Communicating Across Cultures	3
COMM 3630 Gender Language and Communications	3

Note: Check prerequisites for the above courses.

Minors Offered in the College of Liberal Arts:

Students can complete a minor course of study in one of the following disciplines:

- Art History
- Communications
- Dance
- Economics
- English
- Fine Arts
- History
- Music
- Political Science
- Philosophy & Religion
- Psychology
- Social Media
- Sociology
- Theatre

Through the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies and its affiliated partners, students can choose an interdisciplinary minor in:

- Africana Studies
- Asian Studies
- Chinese Studies
- Environmental Justice
- Jewish Studies and World Affairs
- Latin American Studies
- Women's and Gender Studies