

General Program BA

Overview

The **Bachelor of Arts in General Program** is awarded by the College of Liberal Arts and is available only at Temple University, Japan Campus. With the BA in General Program, students design an interdisciplinary major in the Humanities (art history, Chinese, English, Japanese, Korean, philosophy, religion) or the Social Sciences (American studies, Asian studies, economics, history, political science, psychology) in consultation with the major coordinator and the Academic Advising Center.

A General Program major allows students to benefit from all the academic fields available at the Japan campus and to create an area of study that embraces an intellectual theme, such as environmental and population control, human rights, war and peace, or moral and ethical responsibilities.

Campus Location: Japan

Program Code: LA-GENP-BA

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These requirements are for students who matriculated in academic year 2023-2024. Students who matriculated prior to fall 2023 should refer to the Archives to view the requirements for their Bulletin year.

Summary of Requirements for the Degree

1. University and College of Liberal Arts (CLA) Requirements

- All Temple students must take a minimum of two writing-intensive courses as part of the major.
- Students must complete the General Education curriculum.
- Students must follow CLA requirements as specified in the CLA College Requirements section of the Undergraduate Bulletin.

2. Major Requirements (minimum 45 credits)

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Concentration ¹		
Select five (5) courses in one discipline from either the Social Science or Humanities division within the College of Liberal Arts.		15
At least three (3) of these five (5) courses must be upper level (2000+).		
Consult with the academic advisor for details.		
	Major Concentration Course (upper level)	
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	Major Concentration Course (upper level)	
	Major Concentration Course (any level)	
	Major Concentration Course (any level)	
Interdisciplinary Electives ¹		
Select seven (7) courses from either the Social Science or Humanities division to which the Major Concentration belongs.		21
Courses selected for this requirement area must be from at least (3) different disciplines, other than the Major Concentration, within the selected division.		
Consult with the academic advisor for details.		
	Interdisciplinary Elective	
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Opposite Division Electives		
Select three (3) courses from the division opposite from the selected concentration.		9
All three (3) courses selected for this requirement area must be upper level (2000+).		

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Opposite Division Elective (upper level)	
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Total Credit Hours	45
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Of the total twelve (12) courses selected for the Major Concentration and Interdisciplinary Electives requirements, at least seven (7) courses must be Upper Level including two (2) writing intensive.

Suggested Academic Plan

Please note that this is a suggested academic plan. Depending on your situation, your academic plan may look different.

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Suggested Plan for New Students Starting in the 2023-2024 Academic Year

Year 1		Credit Hours
Fall		
ENG 0802	Analytical Reading and Writing	4
or ENG 0812	or Analytical Reading and Writing: ESL	
GenEd Quantitative Literacy Course	^{GQ}	4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Foreign Language 1001 (first level)		4
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
IH 0851	Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life	3
Foreign Language 1002 (second level)		4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Major Elective 1xxx (Track Concentration Department)		3
Major Elective 1xxx (Track Non-Concentration Department)		3
Credit Hours		16
Year 2		
Fall		
IH 0852	Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good	3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Major Elective 1xxx (Track Concentration Department)		3
Select one of the following:		3-4
Foreign Language (third level)		
GenEd World Society Course		
Internationally Focused Course from Approved List		
Credit Hours		16
Spring		
GenEd Breadth Course		3-4
GenEd Breadth Course		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
Major Elective 2000+ (Track Non-Concentration Department 2)		3
One Elective in any School or College		3-4
Credit Hours		16
Year 3		
Fall		
One CLA/CST 2000+ course		3
Major Elective 2000+ (Track Non-Concentration Department 3)		3

Major Elective 2000+ (Track Concentration Department)	3
One CLA/CST 2000+ course	3
One CLA/CST 0800-4999 Course	3
Credit Hours	15
Spring	
One CLA/CST 2000+ course	3
Major Elective 2000+ (Track Non-Concentration Department X)	3
Major Elective 2000+ (Track Concentration Department)	3
One CLA/CST 2000+ course	3
Major Elective 2000+ (Outside Track, SS for HU or HU for SS)	3
Credit Hours	15
Year 4	
Fall	
Major Elective 2000+ (Track Non-Concentration Department X)	3
Major Elective 2000+/96/97/98 (Track Concentration Department WI)	3
Major Elective 2000+ (Outside track, SS for HU or HU for SS)	3
One CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective	3
One CLA/CST 0800-4999 Elective	3
Credit Hours	15
Spring	
Major Elective 2000+/96/97/98 (Track Non-Concentration Department X WI)	3
Major Elective 2000+ (Track Non-Concentration Department X)	3
One 2000+ CLA/CST course	3
Major Elective 2000+ (Outside Track, SS for HU or HU for SS)	3
One Elective 0800-4999 in any School or College	3
Credit Hours	15
Total Credit Hours	123