

OPEN ENROLLMENT MAJOR

Program Overview

The open-enrolled offers structured and professional guidance, cohort support, and access to opportunities designed to aid students in discovering their strengths, goals, and career path. Through courses in the Drake Curriculum, open-enrolled students explore many fields of study while completing progress toward their degrees, allowing for both thoughtful consideration of the major path, and the ability to stay on track for graduation.

Specialized advising, peer mentoring, networking events, and career exploration workshops for open-enrolled students allow students to choose a major knowing that the choice is informed by active self-discovery and participation in coursework. This program provides students with the resources needed to succeed, graduate on time, and to navigate the university and their future chosen major. Open-enrolled students must declare a major by the start of the junior year, although 75% of students have selected a major by the end of their first year.

Major Requirements

No specific coursework is required for the open-enrolled major, but the following introductory coursework provides a strong foundation for students' major exploration and progress toward graduation:

Code	Title	Hours
ART 013	2-D DESIGN	3
ART 014	CONSTRUCTING SPACE	3
ART 015	OBSERVATIONAL DRAWING	3
ASTR 001 & ASTR 01L	DESCRIPTIVE ASTRONOMY and DESCRIPTIVE ASTRONOMY LAB	4
BIO 012 & 012L	GENERAL/PRE-PROFESSIONAL BIOLOGY I and GENERAL/PRE-PROFESSIONAL BIOLOGY I LAB	4
CHEM 001 & CHEM 003	GENERAL CHEMISTRY I and GENERAL CHEMISTRY I LAB	4
CS 065	INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE I	3
ECON 002	PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS	3
ENG 038	LITERARY STUDY	3
ENG 039	WRITING SEMINAR	3
ENSS 035 & ENSS 036	ONE EARTH: GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE and ONE EARTH LABORATORY	4
HIST 011	WORLD HISTORY, 1500-1750	3
HIST 075	US HISTORY TO 1877	3
JMC 030	MASS MEDIA IN A GLOBAL SOCIETY	3
JMC 031	MULTIMEDIA LAB	1
Language Courses (French, German, Japanese, Spanish)		3
LPS 001	INTRODUCTION TO LAW, POLITICS, AND SOCIETY	3
LPS 002	CRITICAL CONCEPTS IN LAW, POLITICS, AND SOCIETY	3
MATH 020	PRE-CALCULUS: ALGEBRA AND TRIGONOMETRY	3
MATH 028	BUSINESS CALCULUS	3
MATH 050	CALCULUS I	3
NSCI 001	INTRODUCTION TO NEUROSCIENCE	3
PHIL 021	INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY	3
POLS 001	THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SYSTEM	3

POLS 065	COMPARATIVE POLITICS	3
POLS 075	WORLD POLITICS	3
PSY 001	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	4
REL 001	INTRODUCTION TO RELIGIOUS STUDIES	3
ANTH 002	INTRO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	3
SOC 001	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
ENG 037	PUBLIC VOICES	3

Discipline-Specific Introductory Courses

Select one credit from the following:		1
BCMB 005	INTRODUCTION TO MOLECULAR SCIENCES	
CHEM 008	INTRODUCTION TO INSTRUMENTS AND RESEARCH METHODS I	
EDUC 001	INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATION	
HONR 001	HONORS FOUNDATIONS	
PHY 003	CONTEMPORARY TOPICS SEMINAR	

Total Hours 97

In addition to programmatic requirements, students are responsible for satisfying all requirements of the Drake Curriculum (<https://catalog.drake.edu/archive/2024-2025/undergraduate/academic-information/drake-curriculum/>), including Areas of Inquiry (AOI)

Student must also satisfy university graduation requirements (<https://catalog.drake.edu/archive/2024-2025/undergraduate/academic-information/graduation-requirements/>) for all undergraduate students..