University of Central Arkansas
Bachelor of General Studies (BGS)

The Bachelor of General Studies is a broad multidisciplinary degree designed for individuals who have at least 60 hours of college credit. If a student has not completed 60 hours they will work with an Academic Advisor to complete UCA’s lower division Core program and at least 60 hours of credit. In any case, the lower division Core program must be completed. Interested students should contact an Academic Advisor for the College of Liberal Arts. These advisors are Cheryl Theall (ctheall@uca.edu) and Jessica Remetic (iremetic@uca.edu).

The program in General Studies requires 60 hours. Students will be required to focus in two or three broad concentrations of 18 or 12 hours each. The student will complete 36 upper division hours within these concentrations, with the remaining degree hours (24 hours) to include electives chosen by the student with his or her adviser. These concentration hours must be UCA courses. These concentrations include: American studies, education, global studies, health science, humanities, and social sciences. Appropriate electives may substitute for courses in a concentration with permission of the student’s advisor and the Director of the BGS program. Students are assigned an advisor within the College of Liberal Arts. Students may complete a minor, but a minor is not required. Students must complete UCA’s upper division Core requirements; there are a number of options to fulfill the capstone Core requirement, such as capstone courses in programs that are open to all students, and the General Studies Capstone course (GEST 4380). Some course are offered online, and certain concentrations can be completed online.

This degree does not lead to a teaching license but enables a graduate to meet the degree requirement for alternative educator preparation programs.

For more information, please visit the Undergraduate Bulletin – General Studies page.
The program in General Studies requires 60 hours. Students are required to select (2) concentrations of 18 hours each or (3) concentrations of 12 hours each. This will total 36 hours. The remaining 24 hours are elective courses, which can come from any discipline offered at UCA. However 4 of those hours must be upper division.

*Note: Students are eligible to declare the BGS degree after 60 hours of course completion.

**American Studies Concentration**
- ANTH 3315 Native American Cultures
- ENGL 4304 Studies in English and American Literature
- ENGL 4313 American Romanticism & Realism UCA UD Core: D
- ENGL 4382 Race in American Literature UCA UD Core: D
- HIST 3340 Intro to American Indian History UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 3353 African-American History before 1865 UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 3354 African-American History 1868-present UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 3381 American Military History UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4301 American Environmental History UCA UD Core: C, R
- HIST 4304 Material Culture UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4306 Atlantic Slave Trade UCA UD Core: D
- HIST 4308 Gender in American History UCA UD Core: I, C
- HIST 4311 Colonial and Revolutionary America UCA UD Core: I, C
- HIST 4327 The American West UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4333 Immigration History UCA UD Core: I, C
- HIST 4335 Diplomatic History of the U.S. UCA UD Core: I, C
- HIST 4336 The South since 1865 UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4345 The South to 1865 UCA UD Core: I, C
- HIST 4355 Arkansas and the Nation UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4359 Civil Rights Movement History UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4360 The Mediterranean World in Late Antiquity UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4365 History of Imperialism UCA UD Core: D
- HIST 4374 European Renaissance and Reformation UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4378 Sex and Politics in East Asia UCA UD Core: C, D
- LING 3310 Issues in English as a Second Language UCA UD Core: C
- LING 3315 Semantics
- LING 3325 Sociolinguistics UCA UD Core: D, R
- PSCI 4310 Globalization and Development
- SOC 4342 Stratification

120 Hours to graduate: _____ complete 60 Hours: _____ complete
LD Core: _____ complete
UD Core: I, D, R, C, Z

**Humanities Concentration**
- CHIN 3312 Culture and Society UCA UD Core: D, I
- CHIN 3320 Advanced Readings in Literature UCA UD Core: D, I
- ENGL 3325 Advanced Readings in World Literature UCA UD Core: D
- ENGL 3345 Literature and the Examined Life UCA UD Core: R
- ENGL 4304 Studies in English and American Literature
- ENGL 4313 American Romanticism & Realism UCA UD Core: D
- ENGL 4330 Shakespeare I
- ENGL 4331 Shakespeare II
- ENGL 4370 Women's Literature UCA UD Core: D
- FREN 3312 French Civilization UCA UD Core: D, I
- FREN 3315 Issues of Cultural Identity in the Francophone World UCA UD Core: D, R
- FREN 3320 French Literature I
- FREN 3321 French Literature II UCA UD Core: D, I
- FREN 3350 French Cinema
- GERM 3312 German Civilization UCA UD Core: D, C
- GERM 3320 Introduction to German Literature UCA UD Core: D, I
- GERM 4395 Advanced German Literature UCA UD Core: D, I
- HIST 3340 Intro to American Indian History UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4304 Material Culture UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4333 US Immigration History UCA UD Core: C, L
- HIST 4338 American History through Film UCA UD Core: I
- HIST 4362 Tutor and Stuart England
- SPAN 3313 Latin American Civilizations UCA UD Core: D, I
- SPAN 3320 Spanish Literature UCA UD Core: D, I
- SPAN 3321 Latin American Literature UCA UD Core: D, I
- SPAN 4395 Advanced Hispanic Literature
- SPAN 4397 Topics in Advanced Spanish Linguistics

**Health Science Concentration**
- FACS 3311 Resource Management UCA UD Core: C
- FACS 3318 Parenting Issues
- FACS 3372 Personal & Family Finance UCA UD Core: I, R
- FACS 3456 Methods in FACS Education UCA UD Core: Z (needs substitution)
- H ED 3300 Methods and Materials UCA UD Core: C
- H ED 3301 Health Education Professional UCA UD Core: R
- H ED 3305 Human Sexuality UCA UD Core: D
- H ED 3320 Epidemiological Research UCA UD Core: I
- H ED 3325 Disease Management
- H ED 4302 Health Education at the Worksite
- H ED 4303 Environmental Health Programs
- H ED 4310 Health Concerns of Aging
- H ED 4312 Drug Education
- H ED 4343 Health Concerns of Multicultural Populations
- H ED 4370 Administration of Health Problems UCA UD Core: C
- H ED 4395 Health Concerns for Women UCA UD Core: D
- H ED 4396 Health Concerns for Men UCA UD Core: D

**Education Concentration**
- (must have C or better in each class)
- EDUC 4210 Integration of Technology into Teaching and Learning
- ELSE 3301 Development and Learning Theories
- ELSE 3305 Integrated Approaches to Child and Young Adult Literature
- ELSE 3308 Foundations of Diverse Learners
- MSIT 3320 Introduction to Teaching at the Middle Level

*Students will need a substitution approval for the following classes:
EDUC 3322 Diverse Learners in Inclusive Settings
- MSIT 3310 Development and Learning UCA UD Core: D, R
- MSIT 4325 Strategies Content Literacy Dev & Curriculum Integration UCA UD Core: C

*If student already has credit for the following they may be substituted with written approval from the Dean of the College of Education:
ELSE 3390 Integrated Curriculum and Assessment Planning
- ELSE 4330 Integrated Curriculum and Assessment Planning
- MATH 3351 Number Systems: Integers
- MATH 3352 Number Systems: Reals
- MATH 3364 Concepts of Geometry and Measurement
- MATH 4310 Geometry and Measurement Topics for Elementary Teachers
- MATH 4320 Concepts of Calculus
- SCI 4410 Concepts of Science

**General Studies Capstone**
- GEST 4380 General Studies Capstone UCA UD Core: Z
- ENGL 4335 Senior Seminar UCA UD Core: Z

*PHIL 4310 Great Works in Philosophy UCA UD Core: Z
*PHIL 4340 The Meaning of Life UCA UD Core: Z
PSIC 4328 Dynamics of Democratization UCA UD Core: Z
*RELG 4320 Contemporary Religious Thought UCA UD Core: Z
*RELG 4325 Postmodern Theology UCA UD Core: Z
SOC 4389 Seminar UCA UD Core: Z

**Electives (24 hours. 4 must be UD)** X