

Common Core Requirements

Students in all UH-Downtown undergraduate degree programs must complete a common core of courses consisting of 42 semester credit hours. The following table lists the Foundational Component Areas of the core, the number of semester credit hours (SCHs) required in each area, and the UH-Downtown courses that may be used to fulfill these requirements. Departments often suggest certain courses that they prefer their majors to take to fulfill some of the core requirements, so students should carefully study the degree plans that interest them. Degree plans may be found in the sections of this catalog describing the departments' programs and in degree program brochures available in departmental offices. A student transferring to UHD who has completed the common core requirements at another Texas institution of higher education will receive credit for each of the core courses transferred and will be considered to have fully satisfied all of UHD's common core requirements. A student transferring to UHD who has completed some, but not all, of the common core requirements at another Texas institution of higher education will receive credit for each of the core courses transferred and will be considered to have fully satisfied the corresponding common core requirements at UHD. The student must still satisfy any remaining UHD common core requirements. Students concurrently enrolled at more than one institution of higher education should follow the core curriculum requirements in effect for the institution where they are classified as degree-seeking students.

FOUNDATIONAL COMPONENT AREAS	SCHs	UHD COURSE OPTIONS
Communication	6	ENG 1301, 1302
Mathematics	3	MATH 1301, MATH 1310, STAT 1312 or any course for which one of these courses is a prerequisite
Life and Physical Sciences	6	BIOL 1301, 1302, 1303, 1304, 1310, 1312; CHEM 1305, 1307, 1308; GEOL 1304, 1305, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1345; MBIO 1305, 1310; NS 1300; PHYS 1301, 1302, 1307, 1308, 2401, 2402
Language, Philosophy and Culture	3	ENG 2301, 2302, 2305, 2309, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314; HUM 2301, 2302; PHIL 1301, 2305, 2310; SPAN 2301, 2302
Creative Arts	3	ART 1301, 1302, 1308, 1310; DANC 1301; DRA 1301, 1303; ENG 1316; MUS 2301, 2302
American History	6	HIST 1305, 1306, 1312, 1314
Government/Political Science	6	POLS 2305, 2306
Social and Behavioral Sciences	3	ANTH 2302, CJ 1301, ECO 1305, FIN 1330, PSY 1303, SOC 1303; SOCW 2361, 2363
Component Area Option		
Oral Communication	3	COMM 1301, 1302, 1304, 1306, 1309, 2307, 2309, 2311; ENG 1306
New Student Seminar*	3	UHD 1301, 1302, 1303, 1304, 1305, 1306, 1307, 1308, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308
Total Hours	42	

Criminal Justice Electives (21 hours)

Choose 21 hours (7 courses) from the list below:

CJ 3302	Criminal Investigation	CJ 4303	Vice, Drugs, and the Law
CJ 3303	Criminal Justice Cornerstone	CJ 4304	White Collar Crime
CJ 3304	Criminal Law	CJ 4305	Evidence-Based Corrections
CJ 3305	Criminal Evidence and Procedure	CJ 4306	Domestic Terrorism
CJ 3306	Crime and Delinquency	CJ 4307	Legal Rights of the Convicted
CJ 3307	Community Oriented Policing	CJ 4309	Media and Crime
CJ 3308	Juvenile Justice System	CJ 4311	Security Management
CJ 3309	Security and the Law	CJ 4312	Research Topics
CJ 3312	Prisons in America	CJ 4313	International Criminal Justice
CJ 3313	Community-Based Corrections	CJ 4314	Women and the Criminal Justice System
CJ 3316	Victimology		
CJ 3317	Race and Crime	CJ 4380	Field Experience in Criminal Justice
CJ 3318	Sex Crimes	CJ 4390	Special Topics in Criminal Justice
CJ 3319	Legal Research		
CJ 4301	Criminal Justice Administration		
CJ 4302	Organized Crime		