General Education (GE) Curriculum Structure

For Students Admitted in Academic Year 115 and After

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GE Curriculum at a Glance

Every NSYSU undergraduate must complete a minimum of 28 credits across five GE categories to graduate.

Language Literacy Courses	**6 credits**
Inter-college Electives	**8 credits**
Liberal Arts Courses	**13 credits**
Practical Experience Courses	**1 credit**
Subtotal *(graduation minimum)*	**28 credits**



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Sport & Health Courses

Required, but NOT counted toward the 28-credit GE minimum.

The following slides walk through each category in detail.

Language Literacy Courses — 6 Credits

Every student completes two components to build language literacy.

National Language Course

3 credits

Critical thinking and expression in Chinese or Taiwanese Native Languages

General English

3 credits

Core English-language communication course
For details, see the ‘Regulation of Undergraduate Student English Proficiency Cultivation’

English Proficiency Standard

Also required for graduation. For details, see the ‘Guidelines for English Proficiency Certification for Undergraduate Students at NSYSU’

International / exchange students: see Slide 8 for the National Language Course substitution.

Inter-college Electives — 8 Credits

Broaden your academic perspective by taking courses outside your home college.

- Courses must be approved by Siwan College and taken outside your home college (e.g., outside the College of Engineering for EE students)
- At least 1 course must be an EAP/ESP (English for Academic/Specific Purposes) course
- Generally taken during freshman and sophomore year, one course per semester

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Credits Required

Example

Your College
e.g., College of Engineering

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Another NSYSU College
Siwan College-approved course

Liberal Arts Courses — 13 Credits

Explore six dimensions of liberal arts; you must cover at least 4 of the 6.

1
Aesthetics & Cultural Understanding

2
Moral Philosophy & Life Bioethics

3
Global Perspectives & Citizenship

4
Science, Technology & Society

5
Physical Science & Our Living World

6
Natural Environment, Ecology & Sustainable Management

13 Credits

Across at least 4 of the 6 dimensions

College of Engineering

Dimensions ⑤+⑥ combined are capped at 6 credits.

EMI Courses

At least 6 of your 13 credits must come from English-medium Liberal Arts courses.

Practical Experience Courses — 1 Credit

A hands-on category that connects classroom learning to real-world experience.

Primer on College Life : A Lecture Series

6 sessions · Mandatory · Pass/Fail · Complete within 3 years of admission

No Credit

Service Learning

Must be completed within 3 years of admission

1 Credit

Applied Courses

Credit counts only for the first course taken (excluding Military Training)

Partial Credit
(At Most 1 Course)

Sport & Health Courses — 4 Credits

Required for graduation, but not included in the minimum credit requirement for graduation.

- Physical Fitness — **1 credit**
- Basic Swimming — **1 credit**
- Other Required Sport & Health Courses — **2 credits**

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Credits — Not Included in Graduation Minimum

These 4 credits count toward your total credits for graduation. However, these are not included in the minimum credit requirement for graduation (see Slide 2).

Course Registration System — Code Reference

When searching selcrs.nsysu.edu.tw, use these prefixes to find courses in each GE category.

Code	GE Category	Notes
GENL	Language Literacy — National Language	
GEEN	Language Literacy — General English	*Includes basic / intermediate / higher-intermediate / advanced levels*
GEAI	Inter-college Electives (general)	
GESP/GEAP	Inter-college Electives — ESP, EAP	*Satisfies the required EAP/ESP course*
GEAE	Liberal Arts Courses	*Covers all 6 dimensions*
GESL	Practical Experience — Service Learning	
GEPE	Sport & Health Courses	*Required*

For international / exchange students: the National Language Course requirement (Slide 3) is satisfied by taking Chinese Language Center (CLC) courses and filing the official credit-transfer application for "Critical Thinking and Expression in Chinese."

Recommended Courses & Resources

Where to go for more help, and how to start finding the right electives.

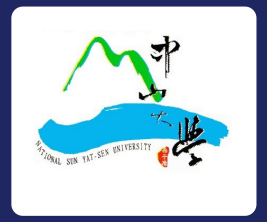
Recommended Courses

Code	Course	Why Recommended
GESP406	Englishes and Cultures for Overseas Studies and Work (Advanced Level)	*Manageable workload with generous grading — while still teaching genuinely useful skills.*
GESP211	English for Engineering (High-Intermediate Level)	*Manageable workload with generous grading — while still teaching genuinely useful skills.*
GESP409	Medical Academic Oral Presentation (Advanced Level)	*Manageable workload with generous grading — while still teaching genuinely useful skills.*
GEAE2231	Human Rights Advocacy	*Generous grading — while still teaching genuinely useful skills.*
GEAE2332	Socio-Cultural Analysis	*Manageable workload with generous grading — while still teaching genuinely useful skills.*
GEAE2514A	Life Sciences	*Manageable workload with generous grading*

Resources

- **Siwan College GE Regulation Page** — Official source for the rules in this deck (siwan.nsysu.edu.tw)
- **Course Registration System** — Search by GE category code (Slide 8) at selcrs.nsysu.edu.tw each semester
- **Department Office — Ms. Chen (陳小姐)** — International-student questions — ywchen@mail.ee.nsysu.edu.tw


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