

GENERAL EDUCATION - ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE (AC)*

Explore More About This Program: <https://cwi.edu/program/general-education>

Certificate Requirements

IMPORTANT: The General Education Academic Certificate is not a degree program/major that students can select. Courses are completed alongside an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree program offered at CWI.

Course	Course Title	Min Credits
General Education Requirements ¹		
<i>Complete the following course to fulfill the Connecting with Ideas requirement:</i>		
CWI 101	Connecting With Ideas	3
<i>Complete the following courses to fulfill the GEM 1 requirement:</i>		
<u>GEM 1 - Written Communication course</u>		3
<u>GEM 1 - Written Communication course</u>		3
<i>Complete the following course to fulfill the GEM 2 requirement:</i>		
<u>GEM 2 - Oral Communication course</u>		2
<i>Complete the following course to fulfill the GEM 3 requirement:</i>		
<u>GEM 3 - Mathematical Ways of Knowing course</u>		3
<i>Complete the following courses to fulfill the GEM 4 requirement:</i>		
<u>GEM 4 - Scientific Ways of Knowing course ²</u>		4
<u>GEM 4 - Scientific Ways of Knowing course ³</u>		3-4
<i>Complete the following courses to fulfill the GEM 5 requirement:</i>		
<u>GEM 5 - Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing course</u>		3
<u>GEM 5 - Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing course ³</u>		3
<i>Complete the following courses to fulfill the GEM 6 requirement:</i>		
<u>GEM 6 - Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing course</u>		3
<u>GEM 6 - Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing course ³</u>		3
<i>Complete the following course to fulfill the Global Perspectives requirement:</i>		
<u>Global Perspectives course</u>		3
Minimum Credit Hours Required		36

¹ Three (3) of the required 36 credits need to come from an "E" designated course in order to fulfill the "Ethical Reasoning" requirement.

² Must include a lab component.

³ Course must come from a different discipline.

**All requirements for this degree or certificate may be completed fully online.*

Plan of Study Guide

The course sequence listed below is strongly recommended in order to complete your program requirements. Please register for each semester as shown using the Student Planning tool in myCWI. Plans may be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters. Consult your Student Success Advisor for any questions regarding this course sequence plan.

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First Year

		Credit Hours
Fall		
CWI 101	Connecting With Ideas	3
<u>GEM 1 - Written Communication course</u>		3
<u>GEM 3 - Mathematical Ways of Knowing course</u>		3
<u>GEM 5 - Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing course</u>		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		12
Spring		
<u>GEM 1 - Written Communication course</u>		3
<u>GEM 2 - Oral Communication course</u>		2
<u>GEM 4 - Scientific Ways of Knowing course</u> ¹		4
<u>GEM 6 - Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing course</u>		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		12
Second Year		
Fall		
<u>GEM 4 - Scientific Ways of Knowing course</u> ²		3-4
<u>GEM 5 - Humanistic & Artistic Ways of Knowing course</u> ²		3
<u>GEM 6 - Social & Behavioral Ways of Knowing course</u> ²		3
<u>Global Perspectives course</u>		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		12
Minimum Credit Hours Required		36

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PLEASE NOTE: The requirements for this academic certificate are completed as part an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree. Students may **not** select this certificate as a declared major. Students should consult the degree plan of their selected major for help in choosing appropriate general education courses, as many degrees require specific courses.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Reason ethically.
- Consider global perspectives.
- Practice inquiry and analysis.
- Utilize information literacy skills.
- Solve problems.
- Demonstrate integrative learning.