The Common Curriculum requirements provide each student with a broad liberal arts education and serve as the foundation upon which students build their individualized academic programs.

Common Curriculum designations apply to specific courses, typically found in the academic departments noted below. For a complete listing of approved Common Curriculum designations see: http://www.csbsju.edu/Registrar/General-Information/Common-Curriculum-Info.htm. Designated courses offered each semester are also identified in the Class Schedule and in Banner Web.

CROSS-DISCIPLINARY REQUIREMENTS

- **First-Year Seminar (FYS):** 2 sequential courses
  Designed to help students further develop skills in critical thinking, speaking and writing.

- **Ethics Common Seminar (ES):** 1 junior/senior level course
  Designed to help students develop the ability to recognize ethical issues, examine them from multiple perspectives and articulate reasoned arguments that support and facilitate responsible decision-making.

- **Experiential Learning (EL):** 1 course
  Students will demonstrate the ability to integrate and apply academic knowledge and skills gained from activities that extend beyond the traditional classroom.

- **Gender (GE):** 1 course
  Designed to help students understand the importance of gender in shaping individual experience and broader human interaction.

- **Intercultural (IC):** 1 course
  Designed to help students develop a greater understanding of diversity while recognizing that individual values are shaped by one’s unique background.

DISCIPLINARY REQUIREMENTS

- **Fine Arts (FA):** 4 credits
  Art, Music, Theater

- **Fine Arts Experience (FAE):** no credit
  Attendance at a total of 8 designated fine arts events.

- **Humanities (HM):** 2 courses from different departments
  Communication, History, Philosophy or Literature in any language.

- **Mathematics (MT):** 1 course

- **Natural Sciences (NS):** 1 course with lab
  Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Courses of the College, Environmental Studies, Geology, Nutrition, Physics

- **Social Sciences (SS):** 1 course
  Communication, Economics, Peace Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology
  NOTE: Social Science (SS) requirement must be completed through coursework outside the major department.

- **Theology:** 2 courses
  THEO 111 (TH) and THEO 300 level (TU)

GLOBAL LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- Successful completion of intermediate one level (211) language course or higher or proficiency examination.

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 124 Total Credits
- 40 Upper-Division Credits
- Minimum 2.0 Cumulative GPA*
- Minimum 2.0 Major and Supporting Courses GPA*
  *Unless major requires higher GPA

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