

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

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Undergraduate degrees are conferred on the recommendation of the colleges/schools. Specific degree requirements may be found in the catalogue sections devoted to the respective colleges/schools.

Catalogue Edition Requirement

Students must comply with the degree requirements as stated in a single catalogue edition in place during the time they are enrolled. The catalogue edition to be followed is the one in effect at the time the student matriculates at UVM, except for students who enroll at UVM via an established Pathways program. Pathways program students should follow the catalogue edition in effect at the time they are admitted into the Pathways program. Students who would like to follow an edition that is published subsequently during their enrollment at UVM must submit a request in writing. Students may not mix requirements from different catalogues.

Minimum Grade-Point Average Requirement

To be eligible for graduation, a student must have attained a cumulative grade-point average sufficient to meet the minimum requirements for the college/school in which the student is officially enrolled. The minimum grade-point average for graduation is 2.00. Grades in courses accepted for transfer credit are excluded in computing this average.

minimum credit requirement

To be eligible for graduation, a student must have successfully completed a minimum of 120 credits. Some undergraduate degrees and majors require the completion of credits in excess of 120.

Thirty of the Last Forty-Five Credits in Residence Requirement

Every degree candidate must have taken thirty of the last forty-five credits in residence (enrolled in coursework at UVM) at the university before being awarded their degree. An exception to this rule exists for those students who have completed three years of pre-medical study in the university and are awarded their degrees after successful completion of one year of study in any approved college of medicine. Other exceptions to this rule may be made only upon decision of the dean or the appropriate faculty committee of the student's college/school. To earn another bachelor's degree, the student must fulfill the requirements of that degree. Please note: pursuing multiple majors within the same degree does not result in earning multiple degrees. Multiple bachelor's degrees are only conferred when the degrees are different: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music, etc.

Diversity Course Requirement

All undergraduate degree students matriculating in Fall 2008 or later must successfully complete the University Approved Diversity courses: one three-credit course from Category One

(Race and Racism in the U.S.) and a second three-credit course from either Category One or Category Two (the Diversity of Human Experience). These requirements will apply as well to undergraduate transfer students receiving bachelor's degrees from May 2012 onward. (See the diversity course list in this catalogue under Academic Offerings/Courses for the approved courses.)

Foundational Writing and Information Literacy Requirement

All undergraduate degree students matriculating in Fall 2014 or later are required to successfully complete a three-credit course which provides instruction and practice with foundational writing and information literacy. (See the foundational writing and information literacy course list in this catalogue under Academic Offerings/Courses for the approved courses.)

Quantitative Reasoning Requirement

All undergraduate degree students matriculating in Fall 2017 or later must meet a General Education requirement in quantitative reasoning. To meet this requirement, students must complete a course, curriculum, or co-curriculum prior to graduation that has been approved by the Faculty Senate's Quantitative Reasoning Curriculum Review Committee. (See the quantitative reasoning course list in the catalogue under Academic Offerings/Courses for the approved courses.)

Sustainability Requirement

All undergraduate degree students matriculating in Fall 2015 or later must meet a General Education requirement in Sustainability. To meet this requirement, students must complete a course, curriculum, or co-curricular module prior to graduation that has been approved by the Faculty Senate's Sustainability Curriculum Review Committee. (See the sustainability course list in this catalogue under Academic Offerings/Courses for the approved courses.)