

BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES:

Online • University Center, Sioux Falls, S.D. • University Center - Rapid City, S.D.
Capital University Center, Pierre, S.D.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) is designed to accommodate students who have accumulated significant college credit (60 credit hours minimum) and who want to complete a baccalaureate degree. Students must complete 32 credit hours from the University of South Dakota (USD), delivered in any form, at any location. The number of USD credit hours earned immediately preceding attainment of the degree must be at least 16 of the last 32 credit hours. Moreover, a minimum of 32 semester hours of credit in courses numbered 300 or above is required. Students must complete or have completed USD's general education requirements (30 credit hours), 12 credits of institutional credit hours, plus 45 credits in three areas of emphasis (15 credits in each area) selected by the student and advisor and approved by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Emphasis areas are: allied health; business; education; fine arts; humanities; social science; science, engineering, and math; technology; and wellness. Finally, a capstone course is required.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

System General Education Requirements	30 credit hours
Institutional Graduation Requirements	12 credit hours
15 credits from each of three emphasis areas	45 credit hours
Capstone course	3 credit hours
Electives	30 credit hours
Degree Total: 120 credit hours	

TUITION RATES

For the most up-to-date online course tuition information, please visit: www.usd.edu/cde/tuition-rates.cfm

*If you are a prospective student with a disability and need assistance or accommodations during the admission/ application process, please contact the Director of Disability Services, 119B Service Center North, USD, Vermillion, SD 57069. Phone: 605-677-6389 Fax: 605-677-3172 E-mail: disabilityservices@usd.edu



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GETTING STARTED

Prospective students may apply through the Admissions website at admissions.usd.edu.

For USD admission requirements, please visit admissions.usd.edu

Once accepted to USD, students will work closely with their advisor to prepare their degree completion plan for the BGS. New students can register for classes online through the online form located at <https://www.usd.edu/cde/registration>.

Students completing the BGS degree may take classes online, at the USD main campus in Vermillion, and/or at any of the educational sites listed below where USD offers courses.

STUDENTS NOT PURSUING A DEGREE

To experience the University of South Dakota as a non-degree pursuant student, the University offers undergraduate students the option of learning under a non-degree pursuant classification.

Enrolling as a non-degree pursuant student is easy. Simply complete the online registration form at <https://www.usd.edu/cde/registration> during the registration period open to the public.

Please Note: Enrollment in a course does not guarantee acceptance into a degree program.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

The BGS degree is available online and in Vermillion, Rapid City, Pierre, and Sioux Falls, S.D. For more information, please visit <http://www.usd.edu/cde> or contact a higher education service site that is appropriate for you:

**Sioux City, Iowa,
Vermillion area & Worldwide**
Division of Continuing Education
1-800-233-7937
605-677-6240
cde@usd.edu

Rapid City & Pierre area
University Center - Rapid City
Contact: Benjamin Krush
605-718-4112
UC-RC@usd.edu

Sioux Falls area
University Center
605-367-5640
1-866-220-7085
info@sduniversitycenter.org

Vermillion - Main campus
Undergraduate Admissions
1-877-COYOTES
605-677-5434
admissions@usd.edu

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE ROTATIONS

- **Total Semester Hours of Credit:** Completion of at least 120 semester credit hours at the 100 level or above.
- **Grade Point Average:** A cumulative grade point average and institutional grade point average of at least 2.00.
- **Upper-Division Requirement:** A minimum of 32 semester hours of credit in courses numbered 300 or above.
- **Institutional Credit Requirement:** 32 credit hours from the University of South Dakota, delivered in any form at any location. At least 16 of the last 32 credit hours completed at graduation must be earned at USD.
- **Proficiency Examination:** All students seeking an undergraduate degree must achieve satisfactory performance on a standardized examination of general knowledge, the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP).
- **System General Education Requirements (30 credit hours):** Please refer to: <http://catalog.usd.edu>
- **Institutional Graduation Requirements (12 credit hours):** Aesthetic Experience course; approved upper-division writing course; approved globalization/global issues course; and ENGL 210: Introduction to Literature
- **General Studies Capstone (3 credit hours):** GS 491: Independent Study, to be completed under the supervision of a faculty mentor.
- **General Studies Emphasis Areas (45 credit hours):** 15 credits in at least three of the following emphasis areas. Credits can simultaneously satisfy System General Education and Institutional graduation requirements. Current USD prefixes that are relevant for each emphasis area are indicated below; students may petition for the use of other prefixes or specific courses. **Note:** ENGL 101, 201, and 205; MATH 101; and SPCM 101 may not be included in emphasis areas.
 - **Allied Health** (ADS, CLS, DCOM, DHGY, HSC, NURS, SOCW)
 - **Business** (ACCT, BADM, ECON, ENTR, HSAD)
 - **Education** (EDER, EDFN, ELED, EPSY, INED, MLED, SEED, SPED)
 - **Fine Arts** (ART, ARTD, ARTH, INTA, MUAP, MUEN, MUS, THEA)
 - **Humanities** (ARTH, CLHU, ENGL, HIST, LING, MCOM, NATV, PHIL, REL, SPCM, WMST, any non-English language)
 - **Social Science** (AIS, ANTH, CJUS, DCOM, ECON, HIST, MCOM, MSL, NATV, POLS, PSYC, SOC, SPCM)
 - **Science, Engineering and Mathematics** (ANAT, BIOL, CHEM, ESCI, MATH, MICR, MTRO, OCEN, PHGY, PHYS, STAT)
 - **Technology** (CSC, MCOM, TET)
 - **Wellness** (ADS, HLTH, KSS, PE, RECR)

Emphasis Areas: Select 15 credit hours from each of 3 areas

The following are USD **online** courses available to satisfy requirements for each emphasis area. In addition to taking courses online, BGS students may register for USD courses at the main campus in Vermillion and/or at any of the educational sites below.

Allied Health

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ADS 116	Study of Alcohol Use & Abuse (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ADS 117	Study of Drug Use & Abuse (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ADS 220	Alcohol & Drug Helping Skills (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ADS 222	Alcohol & Drug Group Interactions (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ADS 315	Ethical & Legal Issues in the Alcohol/Drug Profession (3 cr.)	Every Summer
ADS 320	Adolescents & Substance Issues (3 cr.)	Summer Even Years
ADS 410	Working with Families on Alcohol & Drug Issues (3 cr.)	Every Spring Every Summer
ADS 412	Alcohol & Drug Use in Div. Pop. (3 cr.)	Every Spring
ADS 415	Native Americans & Sub. Abuse (3 cr.)	Every Fall
ADS 420	CADE (3 cr.)	Every Fall
ADS 421	Foun. of Alcohol & Drug Preven. (3 cr.)	Summer Even Years
ADS 422	Alcohol & Drug Treatment Continuum (3 cr.)	Every Fall Every Spring
ADS 424	Psychopharmacology of Alcohol & Drug (3 cr.)	Every Summer
ADS 426	Theory & Practice of Alcohol & Drug Prevention (3 cr.)	Summer Odd Years
ADS 452	Alcohol/Drug Couns. Theories (3 cr.)	Every Spring
HSC 110	The Multidisciplinary Health Team (3 cr.)	Every Fall, Spring
HSC 305	Human Relations (3 cr.)	Every Spring

Business

Course	Course Title	Rotation
BADM 101	Survey of Business (3 cr.)	Every Spring, Summer
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr.)	Every Fall, Summer
ACCT 210	Principles of Accounting I (3 cr.)	Every Spring, Summer
ACCT 211	Principles of Accounting II (3 cr.)	Every Fall, Summer
BADM 220	Business Statistics (3 cr.)	Every Fall, Spring
BADM 310	Business Finance (3 cr.)	Every Spring
BADM 323	Information Systems (3 cr.)	Every Summer
BADM 350	Legal Environment of Business (3 cr.)	Every Summer
BADM 369	Organizational Behavior & Theory (3 cr.)	Every Fall
BADM 370	Marketing (3 cr.)	Every Fall, Spring

Education

Course	Course Title	Rotation
EDFN 338	Foundations of American Education (3 cr.)	Every Semester
EDFN 475	Human Relations (3 cr.)	Every Semester
MLED 460	Middle Education Reading Methods (3 cr.)	Every Fall
SEED 440	Classroom Management (3 cr.)	Every Fall
SEED 450	Reading and Content Literacy (3 cr.)	Every Summer

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Fine Arts

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ARTH 100	Art Appreciation (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ARTH 211	History of World Art I (3 cr.)	Every Spring; Summer Odd Years
ARTH 212	History of World Art II (3 cr.)	Every Fall; Summer Even Years
ARTH 251	American Indian Art History (3 cr.)	Every Semester
MUS 100	Music Appreciation: Jazz (3 cr.)	Every Semester
MUS 100	Music Appreciation: Rock & Roll (3 cr.)	Every Summer, FA 2012, SP 2013
THEA 100	Introduction to Theatre (3 cr.)	Every Semester
THEA 201	Film Appreciation (3 cr.)	Every Semester

Humanities

Course	Course Title	Rotation
CLHU 101	Medical Terminology (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ENGL 210	Introduction to Literature (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ENGL 283	Creative Writing (3 cr.)	Every Spring; Every Summer
ENGL/ POLS 474	Literature of Feminist Politics (3 cr.)	Every Fall
MCOM 151	Intro. to Mass Communications (3 cr.)	Every Semester
REL 352	Churches, Cults & Culture (3 cr.)	Every Semester

Social Science

Course	Course Title	Rotation
CJUS 201	Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 cr.)	Every Summer Every Fall
CJUS 334	Criminal Investigation (3 cr.)	Every Fall
CJUS 351	Criminology (3 cr.)	Every Fall
CJUS 367	Introduction to Research Methods (3 cr.)	Every Fall
CJUS 425	Police Administration (3 cr.)	Every Spring
CJUS 429	Courts & Judicial Politics (3 cr.)	Every Spring
CJUS 431	Criminal Law (3 cr.)	Every Fall
CJUS 433	Criminal Procedure (3 cr.)	Every Spring
CJUS 492	Criminal Justice & Pop Culture (3 cr.)	Every Summer
POLS 100	American Government (3 cr.)	Every Semester
POLS 141	Governments of the World (3 cr.)	Every Fall
POLS 210	State & Local Government (3 cr.)	Every Fall
POLS 263	Introduction to Political Theory (3 cr.)	Every Summer
POLS 415	South Dakota Govt. & Politics (3 cr.)	Every Spring
POLS 422	Fund raising for Public & Non-Profit Organizations (3 cr.)	Every Spring
POLS 435	Political Parties and Campaigns (3 cr.)	Every Spring
PSYC 101	General Psychology (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ANTH/ SOC 490	Material Culture/Media Culture: Anth. in a Digital World (3 cr.)	Every Fall

Science, Engineering and Mathematics

Course	Course Title	Rotation
BIOL 105	Human Biology (3 cr.)	Every Summer
BIOL 310	Environmental Science(3 cr.)	Every Summer
CHEM 106/106L	Chemistry Survey & Lab (4 cr.)	Every Semester
ESCI 101/101L	Principles of Earth Science I (4 cr.)	Every Semester
ESCI 103/103L	Principles of Earth Science II (4 cr.)	Every Semester
ESCI 205	Environmental Earth Science (3 cr.)	TBA
ESCI 309	The Evolution-Creation Debate (3 cr.)	Every Fall
MATH 102	College Algebra (3 cr.)	Every Semester
MATH 104	Finite Mathematics (4 cr.)	Every Fall; Every Spring
MATH 115	Pre-Calculus (5 cr.)	Every Summer
MATH 123	Calculus (5 cr.)	Every Summer
MATH 216	Discrete Structures (3 cr.)	Every Summer
MICR 230	Basic Microbiology (3 cr.)	Every Semester
PHGY 220/220L	Human Physiology & Integrated Anatomy I (4 cr.)	Every Semester
PHGY 230/230L	Human Physiology & Integrated Anatomy II (4 cr.)	Every Semester
STAT 281	Introduction to Statistics (3 cr.)	Every Spring; Every Summer

Technology

Course	Course Title	Rotation
CSC 105	Introduction to Computers (3 cr.)	Every Semester

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University Center, Sioux Falls, S.D.

The following USD face-to-face courses offered at University Center are available to satisfy requirements in each emphasis area. Some of the listed courses also meet System General Education or Institutional graduation requirements. In addition, BGS students based at UC may take online classes.

Allied Health

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ADS 116	Study of Alcohol Use & Abuse (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 117	Study of Drug Use & Abuse (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 220	Alcohol & Drug Helping Skills (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 222	Alcohol & Drug Group Interactions (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 315	Ethical & Legal Issues in the Alcohol/Drug Profession (3 cr.)	Every Summer
ADS 318	Work. with Fam. on Alc./Drug Issues (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 422	Alc. & Drug Treatment Continuum (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 492	Special Topics (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 492	Topics: Gambling (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 492	Topics: Native Am. & Subst. Abuse (3 cr.)	TBA
ADS 496	Field Experience (3 cr.)	TBA
SOCW 200	Field of Social Work (3 cr.)	Every Spring
SOCW 210	Social Work Interactional Skills (3 cr.)	Every Fall

Fine Arts

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ART 260	Digital Photography (3 cr.)	Every Spring
MUAP 105	Classical Guitar for Beginners (3 cr.)	Every Semester
MUAP 150	Applied Music - Strings (3 cr.)	Every Fall/Spring
THEA 100	Introduction to Theatre (3 cr.)	Every Semester
THEA 201	Film Appreciation (3 cr.)	Every Fall/Spring

Humanities

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ENGL 210	Introduction to Literature (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ENGL 242	American Literature II (3 cr.)	TBA
ENGL 283	Creative Writing I (3 cr.)	TBA
HIST 121	Western Civilization I (3 cr.)	Every Semester
HIST 122	Western Civilization (3 cr.)	Every Semester
REL 173	The Meanings of Love (3 cr.)	TBA
REL 224	The Old Testament (3 cr.)	TBA
REL 250	World Religions (3 cr.)	Every Semester
SPAN 306	Spanish for Health Care Workers (3 cr.)	TBA

Science, Engineering and Mathematics

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ESCI 101/101L	Principles of Earth Science I with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Fall
ESCI 103/103L	Principles of Earth Science II with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Spring
MICR 230	Basic Microbiology (3 cr.)	Every Semester
PHGY 220/220L	Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Semester
PHGY 230/230L	Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Semester

Social Science

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ECON 301	Intermediate Microeconomics (3 cr.)	Fall 2010; followed by every 3rd Fall
ECON 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics (3 cr.)	Spring 2011; followed by every 3rd Spring
ECON 330	Money & Banking (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
ECON 421	Econometrics (3 cr.)	TBA
ECON 433	Public Finance (3 cr.)	Fall 2012; followed by every 3rd Fall
ECON 451	Economics for Managers (3 cr.)	Summer 2012; followed by every 3rd Summer
HIST 151	United States History I (3 cr.)	Every Semester
HIST 152	United States History II (3 cr.)	Every Semester
HIST 457	Contemp America: 1933-1961 (3 cr.)	TBA
HIST 458	America: 60s & 70s (3 cr.)	TBA
HIST 459	Vietnam War, 1945-1975 (3 cr.)	TBA
HIST 468	US & World Affairs, 1900-pres. (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 141	Governments of the World (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 250	World Politics (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 320	Public Administration (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 422	Fund Raising Public/Non-Profit Organizations (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 426	Public Policy Analysis & Program Evaluation (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 431	Criminal Law (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 433	Criminal Procedure (3 cr.)	TBA
POLS 456	Community Corrections (3 cr.)	TBA
PSYC 101	General Psychology (3 cr.)	Every Semester
PSYC 371	Statistics in Psych. Research (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
PSYC 456	Intro. to Disaster Psychology (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
SPCM 310	Business and Prof. Speaking (3 cr.)	TBA
SPCM 485	Comm. & Conflict Resolution (3 cr.)	TBA
SPCM 487	Team Buil. & Group Dec. Mak. (3 cr.)	TBA

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Business

Course	Course Title	Rotation
ACCT 210	Principles of Accounting I (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ACCT 211	Principles of Accounting II (3 cr.)	Every Semester
ACCT 310	Intermediate Accounting I (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
ACCT 311	Intermediate Accounting II (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
ACCT 320	Cost Accounting (3 cr.)	Summer Odd Years
ACCT 360	Accounting Systems (3 cr.)	Summer Even Years
ACCT 430	Income Tax Accounting (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
ACCT 450	Auditing (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
BADM 101	Survey of Business (3 cr.)	Every Semester
BADM 310	Business Finance (3 cr.)	Every Semester
BADM 323	Information Systems for Business Professionals (3 cr.)	Summer Even Years
BADM 336	Entrepreneurship I (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
BADM 351	Business Law (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
BADM 365	Bus. & Professional Speaking (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 369	Org. Behavior & Theory (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
BADM 370	Marketing (3 cr.)	Every Semester
BADM 409	Financial Strategy (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 411	Investments (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
BADM 413	Advanced Corporate Finance (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
BADM 415	Financial Institutions (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
BADM 416	Commercial Bank Management (3 cr.)	Summer Odd Years
BADM 425	Production/Operations Mgmt. (3 cr.)	Every Fall/Spring
BADM 429	Microcomputer Applications for Business (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 430	Computer Network Mgmt. & Admin. (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 438	Entrepreneurship II (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
BADM 439	Family Business Dynamics (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 443	International Finance (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
BADM 452	Commercial Law & Ethics (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 456	Cyberlaw (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 460	Human Resource Management (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 466	Supervision of Employees (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 470	Marketing Planning & Strategy (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
BADM 471	Marketing Management (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 472	Sales Management (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 473	Retail Management (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 474	Personal Selling (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 475	Consumer Behavior (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
BADM 476	Marketing Research (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
BADM 477	Marketing Channels Mgmt. (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 481	Promotional Management (3 cr.)	TBA
BADM 482	Business Policy & Strategy (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
BADM 487	International Case Study (3 cr.)	TBA

Business cont.

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ECON 301	Intermediate Microeconomics (3 cr.)	Fall 2010; followed by every 3rd Fall
ECON 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics (3 cr.)	Spring 2011; followed by every 3rd Spring
ECON 330	Money & Banking (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
ECON 421	Econometrics (3 cr.)	TBA
ECON 433	Public Finance (3 cr.)	Fall 2012; followed by every 3rd Fall
ECON 451	Economics for Managers (3 cr.)	Summer 2012; followed by every 3rd Summer
ENTR 336	Entrepreneurship I (3 cr.)	Every Fall
ENTR 438	Entrepreneurship II (3 cr.)	Every Spring
HSAD 410	Health Services Financing (3 cr.)	TBA
HSAD 430	Critical Issues in Gerontology and Long-Term Care Administration (3 cr.)	TBA

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE ROTATIONS

University Center - Rapid City, S.D.

The following USD face-to-face courses offered at University Center - Rapid City are available to satisfy requirements in each emphasis area. Some of the listed courses also meet System General Education or Institutional graduation requirements. In addition, BGS students based at UC-RC may take online classes.

Allied Health

Course	Course Title	Rotation
HSC 110	Multidisciplinary Health Team (3 cr.)	Every Fall Every Spring

Science, Engineering and Mathematics

Course	Course Title	Rotation
PHGY 220/220L	Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Semester
PHGY 230/230L	Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Semester

Social Science

Course	Course Title	Rotation
CJUS 201	Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
CJUS 203	Policing in a Free Society (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
CJUS 351	Criminology (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
CJUS 367	Introduction to Research Methods (3 cr.)	Summer Odd Years
CJUS 396	Field Experience (3 cr.)	Every Summer
CJUS 411	Trial & Evidence (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
CJUS 414	Women, Crime and Criminal Justice (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
CJUS 415	Ethics in Criminal Justice (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
CJUS 419	Family Violence (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
CJUS 425	Police Administration (3 cr.)	Spring Odd Years
CJUS 431	Criminal Law (3 cr.)	Spring Even Years
CJUS 433	Criminal Procedures (3 cr.)	Fall Odd Years
CJUS 436	Juvenile Justice (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
CJUS 492	Terrorism in the Modern Age (3 cr.)	Fall Even Years
SPCM 485	Comm. & Conflict Resolution (3 cr.)	Every Fall

Capital University Center (CUC), Pierre, S.D.

The following USD face-to-face courses offered at Capital University Center are available to satisfy requirements in each emphasis area. Some of the listed courses also meet System General Education or Institutional graduation requirements. In addition, BGS students based at CUC may take online classes.

Science, Engineering and Mathematics

Course	Course Title	Rotation
PHGY 220/220L	Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Fall
PHGY 230/230L	Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab (4 cr.)	Every Spring