

REQUIRED COURSES

GENERAL EDUCATION

General education attempts to foster intelligent inquiry, abstract logical thinking, critical analysis and the integration and synthesis of knowledge; it strives for literacy in writing, reading, speaking, and listening; it teaches mathematical structures, acquainting students with precise abstract thought about numbers and space; it encourages an understanding of science and scientific inquiry; it provides a historical consciousness, including an understanding of one's own heritage as well as respect for other peoples and cultures; it includes an examination of values and stresses the importance of a carefully considered values system; it fosters an appreciation of the arts; and general education provides the breadth necessary to have a familiarity with the various branches of human understanding.

The New Mexico General Education Common Core

The New Mexico General Education Common Core are designated general education courses guaranteed to transfer to any New Mexico public college or university (see information under "Admissions.") Designated courses include a prefix that identifies the subject area and a "common course number" that serves as a single reference point for courses taught throughout the state that share substantially equivalent content. A complete list of approved courses can be found on the New Mexico Higher Education Department web site at www.hed.state.nm.us/colleges/matrix.asp. Approved NMSU courses are listed below under each of the five general education areas, with their equivalent New Mexico Common Course prefix and number in parenthesis where applicable.

THE NEW MEXICO GENERAL EDUCATION COMMON CORE

Area I: Communications (Select 9 credits)

ENGL 111G (ENGL 1114), Rhetoric and Composition	4
ENGL 203G, Business and Professional Communication.....	3
ENGL 211G, Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences.....	3
ENGL 218G (ENGL 2113), Technical and Scientific Communication.....	3
ENGL 311G, Advanced Composition.....	3
ENGL 318G, Advanced Technical and Professional Communication	3
COMM 253G (ENGL 1113), Public Speaking	3
COMM 265G (ENGL 1213), Principles of Human Communication	3

Area II: Mathematics (Select 3 credits)

MATH 121, (MATH 1113), College Algebra	3
MATH 142G, Calculus for the Biological and Management Sciences I.....	3
MATH 210G, Math Appreciation	3

Area III: Science, with Laboratory (Select 8 credits)

BIOL 110G, Contemporary Problems in Biology	4
BIOL 111G/111L (BIOL 1111/1113), Natural History of Life	4
BIOL 211G/211L (BIOL 1211/1213), Cellular and Organismal Biology	4
CHEM 110G (CHEM 1114), Principles and Applications of Chemistry	4
PHYS 110G, Great Ideas of Physics	4
GEOL 111G (GEOL 1114), Survey of Geology.....	4
ASTR 110G (ASTR 1114), Introduction to Astronomy	4
ASTR 105G, The Planets	4

Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences (Select 6-9 credits)

ECON 251G (ECON 2113), Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 252G (ECON 2123), Principles of Microeconomics.....	3
GOVT 110G (POLS 1113), Introduction to Political Sciences.....	3
PSY 201G (PSY 1113), Introduction to Psychology.....	3
SOC 101G (SOC 1113), Introduction to Sociology.....	3
ANTH 120G, Human Ancestors	3
ANTH 125G (ANTH 2113), Introductions to World Cultures.....	3
ANTH 201G (ANTH 1113), Introduction to Anthropology.....	3

Area V: Humanities and Fine Arts (Select 6-9 credits)

HIST 101G (HIST 1053), Roots of Modern Europe	3
HIST 102G (HIST 1063), Modern Europe.....	3
HIST 201G (HIST 1113), Introduction to Early American History.....	3
HIST 202G (HIST 1123), Introduction to Recent American History.....	3
PHIL 101G, The Art of Wondering	3

PHIL 201G (PHIL 1113), Introduction to Philosophy	3
ART 101G (ARTS 1113), Orientation in Art.....	3
MUS 101G (MUSI 1013), Introduction to Music.....	3
THTR 101G (THTR 1013), Introduction to Theater.....	3
any 100-200 level literature course.....	3

NMSU General Education Courses

The courses listed below meet the general education requirements at NMSU as applicable to the New Mexico General Education Common Core. Most of the lower division courses listed here are currently pending before the state Higher Education Department for approval as designated New Mexico General Education Common Core. Students who wish to transfer to another institution should consult an advisor concerning course selections to meet state requirements.

NOTE: This list is under continuous revision. Please check with the office of the college associate dean for additional eligible courses. Also, some departments may require specific courses under some or all general education categories. Students should check with college advisors.

NMSU GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

• DEVELOPING CRITICAL THINKING AND MODES OF EXPRESSION

ENGLISH COMPOSITION*

One of the following in freshman year:

ENGL 111G, Rhetoric and Composition.....	4
SPCD 111G, Advanced ESL Composition	4

One of the following:

ENGL 203G, Business and Professional Communication.....	3
ENGL 211G, Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences.....	3
ENGL 218G, Technical and Scientific Communication.....	3
ENGL 311G, Advanced Composition.....	3
ENGL 318G, Advanced Technical and Professional Communication	3

MATHEMATICS*

MATH 112G, Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics II (MATH 111 prerequisite).....	3
MATH 142G, Calculus for Biological and Management Sciences I.....	3
MATH 210G, Mathematics Appreciation.....	3
MATH/HON 275G, Spirit and Evolution of Mathematics.....	3

*Basic skills requirements are still in effect. See Basic Academic Skills.

• CRITICAL THINKING/ANALYSIS

Oral Communication

AXED 201G, Effective Leadership and Communication in Agricultural Organizations	3
COMM 253G, Public Speaking	3
COMM 265G, Principles of Human Communication.....	3

Philosophy

PHIL 101G, The Art of Wondering	3
PHIL 201G, Introduction to Philosophy.....	3
PHIL 211G, Informal Logic	3

Computer Science

AG E 250G, Life with Microcomputers.....	3
BCS 110G, Introduction to Computerized Information Systems.....	3
C S 110G, Computer Literacy	3
(Alternatives for Computer Science category: E T 262, Software Technology I, 3; M E 260, Mechanical Engineering Problem Solving, 3; C E/A EN/ G-EN 151, Introduction to Civil/Agri/Geol Engineering, 3; E E 161, Computer Aided Problem Solving, 4; I E 151, Computational Methods in Industrial Engineering, 3; CH E 111, Introduction to Computer Calculations in Chemical Engineering, 3)	
LIB 111G, Introduction to Information Literacy in an Electronic Environment... 3	

Statistics

E ST 311G, Statistical Applications	3
I E 310G, Continuous Quality Improvement.....	3

• ESTABLISHING A COMMON BACKGROUND

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

HIST 101G, Roots of Modern Europe.....	3
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HIST 102G, Modern Europe	3
HIST 201G, Introduction to Early American History.....	3
HIST 202G, Introduction to Recent American History.....	3
HIST 211G, East Asia to 1600.....	3
HIST 212G, East Asia since 1600	3
HIST 221G, Introduction to Islamic Civilization	3

BASIC NATURAL SCIENCES (with lab)

AGRO/HORT 100G, Introductory Plant Science.....	4
ASTR 105G, The Planets	4
ASTR 110G, Introduction to Astronomy.....	4
BIOL 101G/L, Human Biology	3/1
BIOL 110G, Contemporary Problems in Biology	4
(branch campuses only)	
BIOL 111G/L, Natural History of Life	3/1
BIOL 211G/L, Cellular and Organismal Biology.....	3/1
CHEM 110G, Principles and Applications of Chemistry.....	4
(Alternatives for CHEM 110G: CHEM 111/112, General Chemistry I/II, 4 /4 ; CHEM 114, General Chemistry for Engineers, 5 (4+3P); CHEM 115/116, Principles of Chemistry I/II, 4 /4)	
EPWS 213G, Experimental Approach to the Scientific Method	4
E S 110G, Introductory Environmental Science.....	4
GEOG 111G, Geography of the Natural Environment.....	4
GEOL 111G, Survey of Geology	4
HORT/AGRO 100G, Introductory Plant Science.....	4
NSC 121G, Integrated Natural Sciences I.....	4
PHYS 110G, The Great Ideas of Physics.....	4
(Alternatives for PHYS 110G: PHYS 215/216, Engineering Physics I/II, 3/3, and PHYS 215L or 216L, 1)	
PHYS 120G, Introduction to Acoustics.....	4

• HUMAN THOUGHT AND BEHAVIOR

ANTH 120G, Human Ancestors.....	3
ANTH 125G, Introduction to World Cultures.....	3
ANTH 201G, Introduction to Anthropology	3
ANTH 202G, Introduction to Archaeology and Physical Anthropology.....	3
ANTH 203G, Introduction to Language and Cultural Anthropology.....	3
C EP 110G, Human Growth and Behavior	3
HL S/PE P 286G, Wellness and Lifestyle Choices	3
LING 200G, Introduction to Language.....	3
PE P/HL S 286G, Wellness and Lifestyle Choices	3
PHIL 136G, The Quest for God.....	3
PHIL 223G, Ethics.....	3
PHIL 240G, Ethics for Engineering and Scientific Careers.....	3
PSY 201G, Introduction to Psychology.....	3
W S 202G, Representing Women.....	3

• SOCIAL ANALYSIS

AG E/HNFS 210G, Survey of Food and Agricultural Issues	3
ECON 201G, Introduction to Economics	3
ECON 251G, Principles of Macroeconomics.....	3
ECON 252G, Principles of Microeconomics	3
GEOG 112G, World Regional Geography.....	3
GEOG 120G, Survey of Geography.....	3
GOVT 100G, American National Government	3
GOVT 110G, Introduction to Political Science.....	3
GOVT 150G, American Political Issues	3
GOVT 160G, International Political Issues.....	3
HNFS/AG E 210G, Survey of Food and Agricultural Issues	3
JOUR 105G, Introduction to Mass Communications	3
MGT 201G, Introduction to Management	3
SOC 101G, Introductory Sociology.....	3
SOC 201G, Contemporary Social Problems.....	3
S WK 221G, Introduction to Social Welfare.....	3
W S 201G, Introduction to Women's Studies	3

• LITERATURE OR FINE ARTS**Literature**

ENGL 115G, Perspectives on Literature.....	3
ENGL 116G, Perspectives on Film	3
ENGL 220G, Introduction to Creative Writing.....	3
ENGL 244G, Literature and Culture	3

Fine Arts

ART 101G, Orientation in Art.....	3
ART 110G, Visual Concepts.....	3
MUS 101G, An Introduction to Music	3
MUS 201G, History of Jazz in Popular Music: A Blending of Cultures.....	3
THTR 101G, Introduction to Theatre	3

NMSU GENERAL EDUCATION HONORS COURSES**• DEVELOPING CRITICAL THINKING AND MODES OF EXPRESSION****ENGLISH COMPOSITION***

in the freshman year:

ENGL 111H, Rhetoric and Composition—Honors	4
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MATHEMATICS*

HON 210G, The Accidental Mathematician.....	3
HON 283G, From Counting to Coding.....	3
HON/MATH 275G, Spirit and Evolution of Mathematics.....	3

*Basic skills requirements are still in effect. See Basic Academic Skills.

• CRITICAL THINKING/ANALYSIS**Oral Communication**

HON 265G, Principles of Human Communication—Honors.....	3
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Philosophy

HON 225G, History of Ethics	3
HON 226G, Puzzles, Paradoxes, and Truth.....	3
HON 227G, Plato and the Discovery of Philosophy	3
HON 228G, Religion and the State	3

Computer Science

HON 111G, Computers and the Information Society.....	3
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• ESTABLISHING A COMMON BACKGROUND**HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES**

HON 221G, Seeking the Way: Spirit and Intellect in Premodern China.....	3
HON 222G, Foundations of Western Culture	3
HON 224G, God and Nature.....	3
HON 241G, Telling American Stories: Society and Culture in Early America.....	3
HON 242G, Claiming an American Past.....	3

BASIC NATURAL SCIENCES (with lab)

HON 205G, Life, Energy, and Evolution.....	4
HON 219G, Earth, Time and Life.....	4
HON 240G, The Essentials of Relativity.....	4
HON 245G, Chemistry, Experiments, Laws, and Theories.....	4

HUMAN THOUGHT AND BEHAVIOR

HON 200G, Cognitive Science.....	3
HON 203G, Understanding the Science of Human Behavior.....	3
HON 223G, Evolution of Human Sexuality.....	3
HON 232G, The Human Mind	3
HON 235G, The World of Anthropology.....	3
HON 237G, Archaeology: Search for the Past.....	3

SOCIAL ANALYSIS

HON 233G, Social Problems	3
HON 248G, The Citizen and the State: Great Political Issues.....	3
HON 249G, American Politics in a Changing World	3

• LITERATURE OR FINE ARTS**Literature**

HON 220G, The World of the Renaissance: Discovering the Modern.....	3
HON 229G, The New Testament as Literature	3
HON 230G, Bamboo and Silk: The Fabric of Chinese Literature	3
HON 231G, Literary Traditions: The Picaresque Novel.....	3
HON 234G, The Worlds of Arthur	3
HON 239G, Medieval Understandings: Literature and Culture in the Middle Ages.....	3
HON 244G, Masterpieces of World Literature.....	3

Fine Arts

HON 208G, Music in Time and Space	3
HON 216G, Encounters with Art	3

HON 270G, The World of Theatre..... 3

Alternatives for Meeting General Education Requirements

1. Students taking nine or more credits in a specific subject area, even though the courses are not designated as General Education courses, will have met the general education requirements for that subject area. For example, a student may complete ART 150, 155 and 156 (9 hours) and thereby satisfy one course from the Area V: Humanities and Fine Arts category, even though none of those courses carries a G suffix. For the Viewing a Wider World requirement, the 9 credit hours must be in 300- to 400-level courses in one prefix area. For example, 9 upper-division ECON credits would fulfill one VWWW area for students majoring in colleges other than Business.

2. Students who wish to be given credit for a general education course without enrolling in it may request to challenge it.

3. Students who have successfully completed Advanced Placement or CLEP requirements in areas appropriate to general education may be exempt from certain general education requirements, upon approval by the dean of the student's college.

VIEWING A WIDER WORLD

Prior to graduating NMSU students are required to take, preferably during their junior or senior year, 6 credits of Viewing a Wider World from two colleges other than their own. These upper-division courses strongly emphasize the international character and multicultural influences in the fields of study and strengthen information retrieval skills by including an assignment which requires the students to do a detailed literature search involving the use of library facilities.

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COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS

AG E/GEOG 315G, World Agriculture and Food Problems..... 3
 AG E/HORT 330G, Organic Fall Vegetable Production (f)..... 3
 AG E/HORT 331G, Organic Spring Vegetable Production (s)..... 3
 AG E/ECON 337G, Natural Resource Economics..... 3
 AG E 384G, Water Resource Economics..... 3
 AG E 445G, Agricultural Policy..... 3
 AGHE 380G, Ecosystem Earth: The Impact of Human Activities..... 3
 AGRO 303G, Genetics and Society..... 3
 ANSC 351G, Agricultural Animals of the World..... 3
 EPWS 325G, Humans, Insects, and the Environment..... 3
 FCS 449G, Family Ethnicities and Subcultures..... 3
 HORT/RGSC 302G, Forestry and Society..... 3
 RGSC/HORT 302G, Forestry and Society..... 3

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ANTH 305G, Contemporary Native Americans..... 3
 ANTH 306G, Peoples of Latin America..... 3
 ANTH/SOC 330G, Introduction to Religious Studies..... 3
 ANTH 357G, Medical Anthropology..... 3
 ANTH/SOC 361G, Social Issues in Rural America..... 3
 ASTR 301G, Revolutionary Ideas in Science..... 3
 ASTR 305G, The Search for Life in the Universe..... 3
 ASTR/HON 308G, Into the Final Frontier..... 3
 ASTR/HON 330G, Planetary Exploration..... 3
 BIOL 461G, Human Ecology..... 3
 CHEM 310G, Chemistry and Society..... 3
 C J 440G, Comparative Criminal Justice Systems..... 3
 ENGL/THTR 321G, Modern European Drama..... 3
 ENGL 325G, Contemporary International Literature..... 3
 ENGL 327G, Shakespeare around the Globe..... 3
 ENGL 328G, Literature of Science Fiction and Fantasy..... 3
 ENGL 331G, World Folklore Traditions..... 3
 ENGL 335G, Studies in the Novel..... 3
 ENGL 338G, Latino Literature..... 3
 ENGL 339G, Chicano Literature..... 3
 ENGL 341G, American Indian Literature..... 3
 ENGL/W S 380G, Women Writers..... 3
 ENGL 390G, The Arthurian Tradition..... 3
 ENGL 392G, Mythology..... 3
 ENGL 394G, Southwestern Literature..... 3

FREN 365G, Perspectives in French Culture..... 3
 GEOG/AG E 315G, World Agriculture and Food Problems..... 3
 GEOG 325G, New Mexico and the American West..... 3
 GEOG 328G, Geography of Latin America..... 3
 GEOG 331G, Europe..... 3
 GEOG 361G, Economic Geography..... 3
 GEOG 363G, Cultural Geography..... 3
 GEOG 365G, Urban Geography..... 3
 GEOL 305G, Fossils and the Evolution of Life..... 3
 GER 333G, German Culture through Cinema..... 3
 GOVT 380G, Contemporary World Political Ideologies..... 3
 GPHY 340G, Planet Earth..... 3
 HIST 302G, Science in Modern Society..... 3
 HIST 303G, History of Technology..... 3
 HIST 381G, Early Russia..... 3
 HIST 382G, Modern Russia..... 3
 LING 302G, Language and Society..... 3
 MATH/HON 411G, Great Theorems: The Art of Mathematics..... 3
 PHIL 323G, Engineering Ethics..... 3
 PHYS 301G, Photonics..... 3
 PHYS 303G, Energy and Society in the New Millennium..... 3
 PSY 417G, Intercultural Relations..... 3
 SOC/ANTH 330G, Introduction to Religious Studies..... 3
 SOC 360G, Introduction to Population Studies..... 3
 SOC/ANTH 361G, Social Issues in Rural America..... 3
 SOC 374G, Comparative Family Systems..... 3
 SOC 376G, Social Change..... 3
 SPAN 364G, Culture and Civilization of Mexico..... 3
 SPAN 365G, Culture and Civilization of Spanish America..... 3
 THTR/ENGL 321G, Modern European Drama..... 3
 W S/ENGL 380G, Women Writers..... 3
 W S 381G/HL S 380G, Women's Health Issues..... 3

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMICS

ACCT 305G, Accountability for Quality in Organizations..... 3
 BLAW 385G, Consumers and the Law..... 3
 ECON 324G, Developing Nations..... 3
 ECON 325G, Economic Development of Latin America..... 3
 ECON 330G, The Business Economy of Mexico..... 3
 ECON/MGT 335G, Business and Government..... 3
 ECON 337G, Natural Resource Economics..... 3
 ECON 384G, Water Resource Economics..... 3
 ECON 432G, Economics of Health Care..... 3
 ECON 434G, Public Expenditures..... 3
 ECON/IB 450G, International Economics..... 3
 FIN 303G, Personal Financial Planning and Investing in a Global Economy..... 3
 I B/ECON 450G, International Economics..... 3
 MGT 310G, The Faces of Entrepreneurs..... 3
 MGT 315G, Human Relations in Organizations..... 3
 MGT/ECON 335G, Business and Government..... 3
 MGT 345G, Quality and Competitiveness: An International Perspective..... 3
 MGT 360G, Negotiation and Business Conflict Resolution..... 3
 MGT 375G, Global Environmental Assessment and Management..... 3
 MGT 388G, Leadership and Society..... 3

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

C EP 451G, Introduction to Counseling..... 3
 EDUC 317G, Multicultural Issues in Society..... 3
 EMD 350G, Introduction to Educational Leadership in a Global Society..... 3

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

C E 355G, Technology and the Global Environment..... 3
 CH E 395G, Brewing Science and Society..... 3
 E T 309G, Manufacturing: History and Technology..... 3
 E T 360G, Technology in Business and Society..... 3

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

HL S 301G, Human Sexuality..... 3
 HL S 380G, Women's Health Issues..... 3
 HL S 464G, Cross-Cultural Aspects of Health..... 3
 NURS 383G, Community and Public Service..... 3
 S WK 331G, Introduction to Social Policy: History..... 3

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L SC 311G, Information Literacy..... 3

VIEWING A WIDER WORLD HONORS COURSES**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS**

HON 305G, Global Environment..... 3

HON 319G, The Natural World of Thomas Jefferson..... 3

HON 320G, Food and Humanity: World in Crisis..... 3

HON 321G, Agriculture in an Urban World..... 3

HON 322G, Science and Public Policy..... 3

HON 323G, Cultural Perspectives on Dress..... 3

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

HON 301G, Mass Media and Society..... 3

HON 304G, Dilemmas of War and Peace..... 3

HON 306G, Science and Ethics..... 3

HON 307G, The Political World of Women..... 3

HON 308G, Into the Final Frontier..... 3

HON 311G, Intercultural Communication..... 3

HON 317G, Cultural Lessons of Nazism..... 3

HON 318G, The World of Cinema..... 3

HON 325G, Contemporary International Literature..... 3

HON 326G, Art and Mythology..... 3

HON 327G, The Novel..... 3

HON 330G, Planetary Exploration..... 3

HON 331G, Using a Telescope: Observation, Technology, and Analysis in
Astronomical Research..... 3

HON 333G, The American Circus..... 3

HON 344G, Art, Landscape, and Environment..... 3

HON 348G, Comparative Mythology: Myth, Ritual and the Life Cycle..... 3

HON 350G, Law, Culture, and Conflict..... 3

HON 351G, Interpersonal Relations and the Self..... 3

HON 352G, Crime, Justice, and Society..... 3

HON 353G, Justice without Prejudice..... 3

HON 355G, Sexuality in Christianity and Islam..... 3

HON 364G, Jewish Literature and Culture..... 3

HON 365G, Contemporary African and Caribbean Fiction..... 3

HON 366G, The Gothic Imagination..... 3

HON 369G, The Literary and Cultural Heritage of Icelandic Literature and
Norse Mythology..... 3

HON 376G, Latin American Women Writers..... 3

HON 377G, Freedom of Speech and the Law..... 3

HON 379G, Literature as Film..... 3

HON 382G, Contemporary Multicultural Women's Literature..... 3

HON 383G, The Sixties: Society, Culture, and Change..... 3

HON 387G, Comparative Perspectives on Women..... 3

HON 392G, Vietnam: America's Longest War..... 3

HON 394G, Southwestern and Border Literature..... 3

HON 411G, Great Theorems: The Art of Mathematics..... 3

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMICS

HON 335G, Legal Issues in Modern Society..... 3

HON 360G, Working in Teams..... 3

HON 380G, Comparative Economic Systems..... 3

HON 385G, Consumers and the Law..... 3

HON 386G, Women in the Economy..... 3

HON 388G, Leadership and Society..... 3

HON 390G, Economic Development of Latin America..... 3

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HON 345G, Literacy: The Word and the World..... 3

HON 346G, Perspectives on Violence..... 3

HON 347G, World Dance..... 3

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

HON 370G, Design: The Creative Act..... 3

HON 378G, Technology and Policy..... 3

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

HON 393G/NURS 383G, Community and Public Service..... 3

REGULATIONS

These regulations apply to all campuses of NMSU and are effective with the publication of this catalog. Tuition amounts, fees, and similar items subject to annual review and change are all effective with the current catalog.

University Credits

The unit of university credit is the semester hour, which is the equivalent of one hour's recitation or a minimum of two hours of practice per week for one semester.

Class Rank (Classification)

A student's classification depends upon the number of credits completed toward graduation. Sophomore rank is achieved with successful completion of 28 credits; junior rank, 62 credits; senior rank, 94 credits.

Class Load

The normal load in a regular semester is 16-18 credits in all colleges of the university. An overload is more than 18 credits. A normal load in summer school is the same number of credits as there are weeks in the session. Written permission for the student to register for an overload must be obtained from the dean of the student's college. To be eligible to take an overload, the student must have a cumulative grade-point average for the two preceding semesters of 2.5, with no grade less than C. A one-credit course in physical activity may be taken without being included in the calculation for determining an overload. No freshman will be permitted to assume an overload. Students may enroll for correspondence or extension courses only upon approval of the dean of their college. Such courses must be counted as part of a student's class load. No more than 30 credits in extension and correspondence courses will be accepted toward graduation.

Basic Academic Skills

NMSU requires all students to demonstrate basic academic skills in both English and mathematics to ensure that they have the abilities to succeed in upper-division courses numbered 300 or higher. First-time students must meet both of these requirements before enrolling in any upper-division courses. Transfer students with 45 or more credits will be allowed to enroll in upper-division courses for one semester. After that point, they must meet both of these requirements before enrolling in upper-division courses. The options for satisfying basic skills in English and mathematics are listed below.

Completion of basic skills requirements will not necessarily satisfy university general education requirements in English and mathematics. Students should consult the "Required Courses" section in this chapter for these requirements.

English Basic Skill Requirement Options

- **30 ACT English Score.** Students may satisfy basic skills requirements in English by scoring 30 or higher on ACT English exams. However, students must still earn credit for ENGL 111G by one of these options:

- **ENGL 111G or ENGL 111H.** Students may satisfy English basic skills by passing ENGL 111G or ENGL 111H with a grade of C or higher.

- **CLEP Credit.** Students may earn credit for ENGL 111G or ENGL 111H by taking the College Level Examination Program subject exam in freshman college composition with a score of 57 (top quartile) or higher. See "Credit by College Level Placement Examination" later in this chapter for details.

- **Advanced Placement Credit.** Students may receive advanced placement credit for ENGL 111G or ENGL 111H by scoring 3, 4, or 5 on the English Advanced Placement Exam. See "Advanced Placement" later in this chapter for details.

- **Transfer Credits.** Students may receive credit for ENGL 111G by transferring 3 or more credits of college-level English composition, with a grade of C or above from another accredited institution. International students may be required to satisfy the requirements under "SPCD 111G" below.

- **Transfer Credits. Nonaccredited Institutions.** Students may receive credit for ENGL 111G by transferring 3 or more credits of college-level English composition with a grade of C or higher from a nonaccredited institution, and by writing a theme which is judged adequate by the Department of English.

- **SPCD 111G.** Foreign students who took the TOEFL examination must complete SPCD 111G with a satisfactory grade.

- **Developmental Courses.** Students who score below 12 on the ACT English exam must pass two developmental English courses (CCDE 105N, CCDE 110N) before enrolling in ENGL 111G. Students who score 13 to 15 on the