

Pathways Program—Advising Tips

The purpose of the advising tip sheet is to enable the student to achieve the maximum amount of transfer credit in Core Areas A – E while fulfilling the requirements of the AAS degree. Students who major in Organizational Leadership (ORGL), Human Capital Performance (HCP) or Office Administration and Technology (OAT) via the Pathways Program will have completed all lower level electives and should have completed Area F, making advising for Areas A-E more critical.

These recommendations are based on the TCSG-USG/VSU agreements and are not school specific.

VSU CORE CURRICULUM (Areas A-E)

AREA A: Communication and Quantitative Reasoning

(9 hours required that include ENGL 1101 and ENGL 1102 with a grade of 'C' or better and an approved Mathematics course.)

Recommended. 6 hours

ENGL 1101

ENGL 1102

Recommended. 3 hours from:

MATH 1101, MATH 1111, MATH 1112, MATH 1113 or MATH 1131

AREA B: Institutional Options

(4 hours of Perspectives course. A total of 2 courses selected from 7 different categories, only one allowed from an individual category.)

Recommended courses if they can be taken as part of the student's AAS program of study or can be used as electives.

PERSPECTIVES – Category 1. One class from:

CRJU 1400, ESCI 1080, GERT 1070, HEMT 1030, MAST 1010,

MGMT 1125 or PARA 1100

PERSPECTIVE – Category 4.

ALHS 1090

AREA C: Humanities/Fine Arts

(6 hours. One literature class and one fine arts/humanities class.)

Recommended. 3 hours
ENGL 2130

Recommended. 3 hours from:
ARTS 1101, HUMN 1101 or SPCH 1101

AREA D: Natural Science, Math and Technology

(11 hours. Two lab sciences required 8 hours. The lab sciences need not be a sequence. One additional science, math or technology course.)

Recommended: 8 hours. Any two sciences with labs from
BIOL 1111/1111L, BIOL 1112/1112L, CHEM 1151/1151L,
CHEM 1152/1152L, CHEM 1211/1211L, CHEM 1212/1212L
PHYS 1111/1111L, PHYS 1112/1112L

Recommended: 3 hours from
MATH 1112, MATH 1127 or MATH 1131

AREA E: Social Sciences

(12 hours. Requires POLS 1101, one US History as part of the 12 hours.)

Recommended. 3 hours
POLS 1101

Recommended. 3 hours from:
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112

Recommended. 3 hours
PSYC 1101 (Needed for ORGL and HCP.)

Recommended. 3 hours from:
ECON 1101, HIST 1111, HIST 1112, HIST 2111, HIST 2112 or
SOCI 1101

SPECIAL NOTES:

COMP 1000

All three Pathways majors require computer technology proficiency for graduation. On each of the programs of study, the course is listed as ACED 2400 which may be satisfied by COMP 1000. Students who do not transfer this course in as part of their AAS degree may either take an exemption test at VSU or the course. Passing the test also results in the hours awarded. ACED 2400 taken at VSU effectively adds 3 additional hours to degree completion.

PSYC 1101

Both ORGL (Area E or F) and HCP (prerequisite for upper division course) require PSYC 1101.

If the course is not taken as part of the AAS degree AND cannot be taken as an Area E course at VSU, it would have to be taken as an Area F course. This would add an additional 3 hours to the degree completion for ORGL and HCP majors.

PHYS 1110/1110L

This TCSG course is not part of the approved TCSG-USG list for transfer. If it is required for a particular AAS program of study and PHYS 1111/1111L could be substituted instead, then the student would be able to transfer an additional 4 hours towards graduation at VSU.

PROGRAM ELECTIVES

If program electives can be chosen from the approved TCSG-USG, then additional hours may be transferred towards degree completion provided that the class fits in one of the VSU Core Areas A-E.

ECON 2105 and ECON 2106

While both courses transfer, there are no lower level electives remaining for the BAS or either of the BS degrees, so they become extra hours. ECON 1101 can be used as an Area E course so is usually a much better transfer choice. ECON 1101 also satisfies a pre-requisite for OAT.

BUSN 1430 and BUSN 1440 (OAT)

Both of these courses satisfy major degree requirements for OAT. If these courses can be taken as electives in the AAS program, the number of hours transferred will increase.

Internships/Externships (OAT)

The Office Administration and Technology program typically accepts credits earned in internships/externships as satisfying ACED 2940 (3 credit hours).