

## Requirement Structure Transition

### Information Guide

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- I.      **TRANSITION INFORMATION**
- Students who start at the U in Fall 2024 and forward are required to complete the new GE/BD requirements (New GE). They are not eligible to complete the old GE/BD requirements (Old GE).
  - Students who started at the U any time before Fall 2024 and are declared in a major prior to catalog year Fall 2025 will have the option to choose the Old or New GE.
  - Students who are declared in a major Fall 2025 or later are required to complete the New GE.
  - In Fall 2028, ALL students will move to the New GE, regardless of when they started at the U. As such, current students who remain on the Old GE must graduate by Summer 2028 if they do not wish to be moved to the New GE.
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- II.     **GE CORE WRITING REQUIREMENTS**
- Students on the New GE must have WR1 completed on their transcript (per Utah Code R470). This can be done by taking a WR1-designated course, bringing in credit that fulfills WR1 (AP, IB, concurrent enrollment, etc.), or by passing the First-Year Writing Assessment (formerly the ISP, see below).
  - Beginning Fall 2024, students will no longer be able to "self-place" into WR2 via the Informed Self Placement (ISP). A new writing assessment is replacing the ISP process and will function, essentially, as a challenge exam. Students who successfully demonstrate competency at the WR1 level via this assessment will pay the testing/transcription fee and receive three credit hours satisfying WR1.
  - Students who have completed WR2 before Fall 2024 and elect to migrate to the New GE will automatically have the WR1 requirement waived. This applies whether WR2 was taken at the U or credit for WR2 was brought in from another institution or source.
  - Students who start at the U in Fall 2024 or later who bring in credit for WR2 but not WR1 will *not* automatically have the WR1 requirement waived. In this rare situation, there will be an exception process to waive the WR1 requirement. We will not require students to backtrack in the curriculum.
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- III. GE CORE MATH REQUIREMENT
- The QR requirement, codified by the QR, QA, and QB designations, will be replaced by a Quantitative Literacy (QL) requirement in the New GE. Students will take one QL-designated course to fulfill the requirement.
  - Students who have completed the QR requirement or a QA or QB course that fulfills the new QL requirement before Fall 2024 will automatically fulfill the QL requirement upon migration to the New GE. Please note that the only QB-designated courses that fulfill the QL requirement are MATH 1040 and MATH 1070. QL-designated courses can be identified on the class schedule or by running a Degree Audit.
  - Beginning Fall 2024, the class schedule will no longer include QR, QA, or QB-designated courses. Students who remain on the Old GE and need to take a course with one of these designations can find a list of approved courses on their Degree Audit.
  - The guidelines for math accommodations through the Center for Disability and Access (CDA) have been updated. Please contact the CDA for more information about accommodations for the QL requirement.

- IV. GE BREADTH AREA SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS
- The New GE requires students to complete one Life (LS) and one Physical (PS) Science course (per Utah Code R470).
  - Students who have completed the SF/AS requirements before Fall 2024 and elect to complete the New GE will automatically fulfill the LS and PS requirements. In the rare event that a student completes two AS-designated courses before migration to the New GE, the LS and PS requirements will be fulfilled.
  - All SF and AS-designated courses can slot into either LS or PS requirements in the New GE. If a student completed only one SF or AS course, it will automatically be placed in the LS requirement (as it comes before the PS requirement in the Degree Audit). A student can then take either an LS or PS-designated course to complete the remaining requirement. The audit will adjust accordingly. For example, if a student took CHEM 1210 (SF) prior to migrating, it would initially slot into the LS requirement. If the student then completes BIOL 1610 (LS), it would slot into the LS requirement and CHEM 1210 would shift to the PS requirement.
  - Beginning Summer 2024, the class schedule will no longer include SF or AS-designated courses. Students who remain on the Old GE and need to take a course with one of these designations can find a list of approved courses on their Degree Audit.
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| V.    | <b>BACCALAUREATE DEGREE (BD) METHODS REQUIREMENT</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Under the New GE, Bachelor of Science degree-seeking students will complete the new Methods Requirement by taking one Quantitative Intensive (QI) or one Disciplinary Inquiry (DI) designated course.</li><li>• The QI designation will remain. Some DI-designated courses are on the schedule now and additional courses will be added in the coming year.</li><li>• Students who completed a QI-designated course before migrating to the New GE will automatically fulfill the Methods Requirement.</li></ul> |
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| VI.   | <b>GENERAL EDUCATION/ BACCALAUREATE DEGREE EXCEPTIONS</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Existing GE and BD requirement exceptions granted under the Old GE will be honored upon migration to the New GE. Previously entered exceptions will automatically be applied and will not need to be re-entered by an advisor.</li></ul>   |