the general education curriculum. These requirements will be satisfied if the DD214 form is submitted to the Missouri Southern Registrar’s Office. Credit may also be granted for specific military schooling as recommended by the American Council of Education. The credit granted will be based on applicability and will carry the grade of ‘CR’. The veteran must present documentation designating the military course, date and site of the course.

Validation Examinations
If Missouri Southern refuses to accept a student’s earned credit in a course because of the method in which the course was taken or because the institution at which the course was taken was not accredited, the student may apply for a validation examination. In order to qualify for a validation examination a student must:
(a) be enrolled at Missouri Southern State University at the time the examination is taken;
(b) present the necessary evidence to prove that the course was taken;
(c) get approval from the school dean and the head of the department in which the course is offered; and
(d) initiate the proceedings within the first eight weeks after entering the University.

The student initiates the request for examination at the Academic Department. The school dean and the department head will appoint a professor to construct, administer and evaluate the examination. The result is reported to the Registrar who records the credit if the scale is ‘C’ or above and carry the grade of ‘CR’.

Retro Credit Policy
Missouri Southern will award retro-credit for certain qualifying subjects. The credit granted will be based on applicability and will carry the grade of ‘CR’.

Catalog Time Limit
A candidate for a degree may use, as a basis for degree requirements, the general catalog issued for any year following the date of the candidate’s first completed registration at MSSU provided it is not more than six years prior to the date the degree is to be conferred. The candidate must have been in residence at MSSU and earned credit during the year of the catalog selected.

Transfer Student: The MSSU catalog in effect at the time of the transfer student’s initial enrollment in the sending institution (transfer school), will govern the transfer student’s degree requirements. The catalog used may not be dated more than six years prior to the date the degree is to be conferred. The transfer student must have been enrolled in a previous school and earned credit during the year of the catalog selected.

Developmental Courses
Occasionally, scores obtained from the placement tests indicate a student may not be successful in college. The university reserves the right to require these students to take developmental courses in biology, mathematics, composition, study skills or intensive English prior to participation in regular college level classes. Courses below the 100 level are not applicable to the baccalaureate degree and are excluded in honors calculations and calculation of the standards of progress toward graduation.

Course Numbers and Levels

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Normally, courses numbered 100-299 are considered lower division level courses and those numbered 300-499 are upper division level courses. Freshmen are not allowed to take any course above the 200 level unless qualified by advanced placement tests.

Immediately following each course title is a letter abbreviation of the semester in which the course is usually offered. Students and faculty should use this as a guide in considering future enrollment. However, this should not be interpreted as a contract. Missouri Southern reserves the right to deviate from this commitment when enrollment or other factors dictate.

The student should check the catalog description of the course to see whether the second semester of a sequence course makes the first semester a prerequisite.

Baccalaureate Degree Requirements

A. Residence: The following minimum requirements must be met in residence at Missouri Southern: (1) 30 of the last 36 hours counted toward the degree; (2) one-half of the credit both required for the major and in the major department. Courses required for the major but not offered in the major department are not included; (3) one-half of the upper division credit both required for the major and in the major department.

B. Credit Hours: At least 124 semester hours of college credit applicable to a Baccalaureate Degree are required for graduation.

C. Grade Point Average (GPA): The following minimum cumulative GPAs are required for all Baccalaureate Degrees except the BSE and BS in Nursing. The GPA excludes NABD courses:
1. a 2.0 GPA for all credit hours attempted;
2. a 2.0 GPA for all the courses required for the major, both inside and outside the major department;
3. a 2.0 GPA for all courses, required and elective, taken in the major department.

The following minimum GPAs are required for the BSE:
1. a 2.75 GPA for all credit hours attempted;
2. a 2.50 GPA for all the courses required for the major, both inside and outside the major department;
3. a 2.50 GPA for all courses, required and elective, taken in the major department;
4. a grade of “C” or better in professional education courses and courses required for elementary education, special education and early childhood.

D. Upper Division Hours: Upper Division Hours: A minimum of 40 semester hours in upper division courses must be completed.

E. Writing Intensive: Five writing intensive courses are required of all Baccalaureate Degree candidates. The required courses are English 101 and English 102 or English 111. Two of the three remaining required courses must be upper division with one of the upper division courses being in the major. (Writing Intensive courses are identified in the “schedule of classes” by a “WI” placed at the end of the course title. Example: PSY 481 Senior Thesis WI.) Students transferring to Missouri Southern from another college, including students with a previous baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college, will fulfill the
Writing Intensive requirement as follows:

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<td>90 hours or more</td>
<td>Three courses, including English as outlined above, with one additional upper division course which must be in the major</td>
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F. Foreign Language: All students expecting to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree must successfully complete 12 hours of the same foreign language.

G. Special Education: All students expecting to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree must successfully complete two or three hours of Special Education (EDUC 302 or 304). See degree requirement for correct course.

H. Computer Literacy: All students will receive computer instruction to a level of understanding necessary for them to function as a member of society and to a level of skill sufficient to use the computer for problem solving within their discipline. Department heads will certify the competency of the students in their disciplines.

I. Assessment: All degree candidates are required to participate in University Assessment of Outcomes activities.

J. General Education Curriculum Requirements: Missouri Southern has a general education requirement curriculum program that contributes toward the development of the whole person, as an individual and as a member of society. All degree candidates must satisfy the following curriculum requirements:

Baccalaureate Degree
General Education Curriculum Requirements

**Credit Hours Required**

A. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

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B. ORAL COMMUNICATION

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C. MATHEMATICS

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D. LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

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2. Physical Sciences

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E. SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

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F. HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

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G. HEALTH AND WELLNESS

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H. UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE***

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TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION* REQUIREMENTS

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*Academic Affairs
I. INSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

3 hours

Select One:

ANTH 155 Physical Anthropology
and Archeology 3 hours

ANTH 342 Comparative Cultures 3 hours

CJAD 301 International Justice Systems 3 hours

CJAD 370 International Terrorism 3 hours

COMM 305 Intercultural Communication 3 hours

EDUC 280 Education in the Global Society 3 hours

ENG 385 Continental Novel 3 hours

Foreign Language 3 hours

GEOG 211 Regions and Nations 3 hours

GEOG 310 Human & Cultural Geography 3 hours

HIST 130 or 140 Western Civilization 3 hours

HIST 150 Asian Civilizations 3 hours

HIST 160 History of Latin America 3 hours

IB 210 Global Business Literacy 3 hours

IB 310 International Business 3 hours

INTS 201 Introduction to International Studies 3 hours

PHIL 320 Comparative Religion 3 hours

SOC 303 The Arab World 3 hours

TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM
WITH INSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS 46-47 HOURS

Associate of Science Degree

A. Residence: The last 15 semester hours must be completed in residence at Missouri Southern.

B. Credit Hours: A minimum of 64 hours must be completed.

C. Grade Point Average (GPA): The minimum cumulative and major field GPA must be 2.0.

D. Major Field: The student must meet the course requirements in the particular program of study as approved by an adviser.

E. General Education Curriculum Requirements: The degree requires completion of the general education requirement curriculum courses as well as those outlined in the student's major field of study. The general education requirement curriculum required courses are:

Associate Degree

General Education Curriculum Requirements

A. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

ENG 101 College Composition I 3 hours

B. ORAL COMMUNICATION

COMM 100 Oral Communication 3 hours

C. MATHEMATICS*

MATH 30 or above 3 hours

D. LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES*

Required: Select one or more courses to total 4-5 credit hours from those listed below:

1. Life Sciences (4 credit hours)

BIO 101 General Biology/Lab 4 hours

BIO 110 Principles of Biology I/Lab 4 hours

BIO 105 General Biology: Environmental Emphasis/Lab 4 hours

BIO 121 Human Anatomy & Physiology I/Lab 4 hours

2. Physical Sciences (4-5 credit hours)

CHEM 120 Chemistry for Allied Health Sciences 5 hours

CHEM 151 General Chemistry I/Lab 5 hours

GEOL 120 Introduction to Geology/Lab 4 hours

GEOL 185 Introduction to Meteorology/Lab 4 hours

GEOL 210 Earth and Space Science 3 hours

GEOL 212 Earth and Space Science Lab 1 hour

PHYS 100 Fundamentals of Physical Science 5 hours

* Areas A - H of the general education curriculum constitute the 42 semester hour block that meets the State of Missouri general education goals. This block should be considered equivalent to corresponding 42 semester hour blocks of credit at other public and signatory institutions in Missouri. Please contact the Registrar's office to have this notation added to your transcript.

** Required for all degree seeking students who enter MSSU with less than 30 credit hours (excluding dual credit and credit in escrow) and transfer credits. See degree requirements listed in Catalog for courses that are substituted for specific majors.

*** Required for all degree seeking students who enter MSSU with less than 30 credit hours (excluding dual credit and credit in escrow) and transfer students who have not completed an orientation course.

298-498 Classes

Classes numbered 298 or 498 may not be counted toward general education curriculum credit.

Major

All students will be required to declare their degree sought, their major, their status and whether they will attend half-time or full-time. A major provides in-depth study of a discipline and prepares the student for a career or advanced study. Advisers are assigned according to major.

Academic Minor

Selected departments have developed an academic minor that in conjunction with the MSSU baccalaureate major strengthens the student's career preparation. A minor requires at least 18 semester hours of prescribed courses. At least six semester hours must be upper division and at least nine semester hours must be in residence. The overall GPA requirement is 2.0. A student may not earn a minor in the same field as the major. Minors should be declared as early as possible but may be added at any time, including after a baccalaureate degree from MSSU has been earned. Applications to add a minor after a degree has been earned are available through the Office of the Registrar.

A Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) Degree

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) is an alternative for students who do not wish to pursue an existing major. Two versions of the BGS are available. The General BGS requires that a student complete all general Education Requirements and other degree requirements including the Writing Intensive (WI) and upper division. To pursue this option the student should consult an adviser and declare the BGS as a major. The Directed BGS also requires that a student complete all general education requirements and other degree requirements including Writing Intensive (WI) and upper division. Additionally, a committee of faculty works with the student to combine courses from several areas to create a distinctive program. To pursue this option the student should declare the BGS as a major and consult with the dean of the school most closely associated with the course work. The dean will appoint a faculty committee to help the student structure the Directed BGS.

The general education requirement curriculum required courses are:

requires completion of the general education requirement curriculum courses as well as those outlined in the student's major field of study. The general education requirement curriculum required courses are:

Associate Degree

General Education Curriculum Requirements

A. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

ENG 101 College Composition I 3 hours

B. ORAL COMMUNICATION

COMM 100 Oral Communication 3 hours

C. MATHEMATICS*

MATH 30 or above 3 hours

D. LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES*

Required: Select one or more courses to total 4-5 credit hours from those listed below:

1. Life Sciences (4 credit hours)

BIO 101 General Biology/Lab 4 hours

BIO 110 Principles of Biology I/Lab 4 hours

BIO 105 General Biology: Environmental Emphasis/Lab 4 hours

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2. Physical Sciences (4-5 credit hours)

CHEM 120 Chemistry for Allied Health Sciences 5 hours

CHEM 151 General Chemistry I/Lab 5 hours

GEOL 120 Introduction to Geology/Lab 4 hours

GEOL 185 Introduction to Meteorology/Lab 4 hours

GEOL 210 Earth and Space Science 3 hours

GEOL 212 Earth and Space Science Lab 1 hour

PHYS 100 Fundamentals of Physical Science 5 hours

The last 15 semester hours must be completed in residence at Missouri Southern.

The minimum cumulative and major field GPA must be 2.0.

The student must meet the course requirements in the particular program of study as approved by an adviser.

The degree requires completion of the general education requirement curriculum courses as well as those outlined in the student's major field of study. The general education requirement curriculum required courses are:

Associate Degree

General Education Curriculum Requirements

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PHYS 150  Environmental Physics  5 hours
PHYS 151  Elementary College Physics I/Lab  5 hours
PHYS 300  Astronomy  3 hours

E. SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES*  6 hours
1. Required Courses:
   HIST 110 or 120 U.S. History  3 hours
   Missouri Constitution Requirement**
   (PSC 120 Gov’t: U.S., State, Local also meets this requirement)

2. Select One:
   ANTH 101  General Anthropology  3 hours
   ECON 180, 201 or 202 Economics*  3 hours
   GEOG 101  Introduction to Geography  3 hours
   PSY 100  General Psychology  3 hours
   SOC 110  Introduction to Sociology  3 hours

F. HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS  3 hours
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G. HEALTH AND WELLNESS  2 hours
   KINE 103  Lifetime Wellness  2 hours

H. UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE***  3 hours
   UE 100  University Experience: Transitions in an International Context  3 hours

TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS  27-28 HOURS

*See degree requirements listed in the Catalog for courses that are substituted for specific majors.

**This requirement may be satisfied with credit from a Missouri public college or PSC 120 Government: U.S., State & Local or by an examination. Examination information is available from the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

***Required for all degree seeking students who enter MSSU with less than 30 credit hours (excluding dual credit and credit in escrow) and transfer students who have not completed an orientation course.

General education curriculum courses required for the Associate of Science degree typically do not completely fulfill the general education curriculum requirements for the Baccalaureate Degree.

When the curriculum requirement for an Associate of Science degree specifies a different course in the discipline than those listed above, the specified course may meet the general education curriculum requirements for that degree.

Graduation
A. Graduation Requirements: The responsibility for satisfying all requirements for a degree rests with the student. Advisers, faculty members and administrators offer help to the student in meeting this responsibility.

B. Time of Graduation: A student may complete graduation requirements at the close of any semester. Formal commencement exercises are held and degrees are conferred at the close of the fall and spring semesters. Students who will complete graduation requirements at the close of summer semester may participate in spring commencement exercises.

C. Degree Candidacy Application: Each student must make application for degree candidacy during the semester preceding the final semester in attendance. The application process is initiated at the Office of the Registrar. Paperwork expires one year from the date of approval. Students who fail to graduate must re-file if paperwork has expired.

D. Senior Assessment: All graduating seniors are required to complete a General education curriculum and a departmental exit assessment before the baccalaureate degree is awarded. Effective: July 1, 1988.

State Legislation Requirements
Section 170.011 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1989, prescribes that all candidates for a degree issued by the colleges and universities of Missouri must have “satisfactorily passed an examination of the provisions and principles of the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Missouri and in American History and in American Institutions”.

All students who have completed the general education curriculum requirements with courses taken at Missouri Southern meet the requirements of Missouri law.

Out-of-state transfer and post-graduate students who do not complete their general education curriculum with courses taken at Missouri Southern may comply with the law by:

1. Completing courses at MSSU embracing the subject matter specified by the law and receiving credit therein, preferably before admission to senior college work; or
2. Fulfilling the requirements through the state’s 42 general education agreement per transfer transcript.
3. Fulfilling the requirements through a baccalaureate degree earned from an accredited Missouri public college or university.
4. Fulfilling the requirements through a degree earned from an accredited college or university, either outside the state of Missouri, at a Missouri private college or from a foreign institution considered equivalent to a U.S. baccalaureate degree and passing a special examination on the Missouri Constitution. If the student has not taken a U.S. history (equivalent to 110 or 120) and political science (equivalent to 120) during their first degree, they must take these courses at MSSU in order to satisfy degree requirements through MSSU.
5. Students earning degrees from foreign institutions, equivalent to a U.S. degree, must complete PSC 120 and one history course from HIST 110 or 120.

School Laws of Missouri, 1974, require that persons cannot be granted a certificate or license to teach in the public schools of Missouri unless they have satisfactorily completed a course of two or more semester hours in the psychology or education of the exceptional child. This requirement can be met by taking EDUC 302 or 304.