

Early College Alliance @ Eastern Michigan University  
Minimum Academic Proficiency Standards  
Program Completion Requirements (Rev. 2020-21)



**Notes:**

1. Most ECA content-area courses are worth 1.0 HS credit. ECA CLICK courses are worth 0.5 HS credit.
2. Each EMU 3-5 credit course is equivalent to 1.0 HS credit. Each EMU 1-2 credit course is equivalent to 0.5 HS credit
3. Requirements may be met with a combination of prior high school, ECA, online courses, EMU or other college courses, waivers, and/or test-outs; complete and accurate transcripts from previously attended schools are important for this reason.
4. Grades in EMU courses **must** be at the level of C or better. Anything less (C-, D+, D, D-, E, W, I, etc.) will not count toward completion of this certificate. *Students must reimburse the program for the cost of tuition for all grades of F, I, or W. \**
5. Grades in ECA courses must be at the level of LCR (Less than proficient, with credit) or higher in order to count toward program completion.
6. Each requirement for ECA program completion must be met with a separate course. You may not apply the same course to two different ECA program completion requirements.
7. ECA may enroll students in high school level online courses. Each single online course (0.5 HS credit) reduces the EMU credit allocation by 2; each online content sequence (1.0 HS credit in a content sequence) reduces the EMU allocation by 3.
8. ECA students may [dual enroll in Washtenaw Community College courses](#).
9. Remember to cross-check these requirements with the [EMU General Education Requirements](#).
10. Check with your CORE Advisor for details about any of this information, including the test-out & waiver options.
11. Course substitutions permitted ONLY with a waiver approved by the ECA Administration.
12. Full-time enrollment for Fall & Winter semesters can be made up with 12 EMU credits, 4 HS credits between ECA/Online courses, or a combination of the two. If taken, Spring & Summer semester full-time enrollment consists of 1 EMU course, or 1 HS credit via ECA/Online courses. Utilize the *EMU/ECA to HS credit equivalencies* listed above (#1 and #2) to help calculate a hybrid schedule.
13. Students must complete an [ECA Schedule Request Form \(SRF\)](#) each semester to request EMU courses. Refer to the [Instructions for Completing your SRF](#) for help in looking up classes and filling out the form.
14. This revision applies to all F2020 Cohort students and beyond; students in previous cohort groups may process under these requirements IN FULL (students must complete each requirement, not pick and choose).

*\*Exenuating circumstances are handled by the ECA Administration on a case-by-case basis.*

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**English ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area I: [Effective Communication](#) (GEEC)**

- English Elective (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
  - 1.0 HS in English
  - ECA Academy English
  - Additional EMU [LITR](#), [JRNL](#), [WRTG](#) or [CRTW](#) course
- ECA English
- Composition II, satisfied by one of the following options:
  - [WRTG 121](#)
  - Course Substitution Waiver (SAT EBRW subscore  $\geq$  670 or ACT English subscore  $\geq$  29) **AND** any [LITR](#), [JRNL](#), [WRTG](#) or [CRTW](#) or EMU Writing Intensive course.
- Speech (0.5 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
  - 0.5 HS in Speech
  - ECA Academy Speech
  - [COMM 124](#)

## Mathematics ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area II: [Quantitative Reasoning \(GEQR\)](#)

These courses serve as minimum mathematics courses; students must earn qualifying scores on the EMU MPT and/or complete prerequisite courses as required by Eastern Michigan University to be eligible to register for EMU mathematics courses. This includes a minimum of Algebra I mastery as determined by ECA Math Department:

- Geometry (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 1.0 in HS Geometry
    - ECA Geometry
    - 80% or higher on the Geometry test-out exam.
  - College Level 3 Math coursework, satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 5 - 8 EMU credits (minimum 2 classes) in EMU MATH coursework (incl. STAT 170), MATH 104 or higher
    - 2 - 5 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU MATH coursework, MATH 104 or higher **AND** one of the following courses
      - [COSC 106](#), [DS 250](#), [PHIL 181](#), [PLSC 210](#), [SOCL 250](#), [TM 306](#), [BMMT 250](#), [STAT 170](#)
  - ONE mathematics or math-related course during the **last full or partial school year** (e.g. any MATH-prefix course, Natural Science course, most Economics courses, most Programming courses, most Business courses, & many Music courses).
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## Science ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area IV: [Knowledge of the Disciplines, Natural Sciences \(GEKN\)](#)

Students may need to earn qualifying scores on the EMU Math Placement test and/or complete prerequisite courses (ie. mathematics courses) as required by Eastern Michigan University to be eligible to register for certain EMU science courses. **\*\*Students must complete at least one EMU Natural Science lecture & lab course\*\***

- Biology (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
  - 1.0 in HS Biology
  - ECA Survey of Science Methods - Biology
  - ECA Survey of Science Methods - Anatomy & Physiology
  - EMU [BIO 105](#) or higher
- Chemistry or Physics (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
  - 1.0 HS in Chemistry
  - 1.0 HS in Physics
  - ECA Survey of Science Methods - Chemistry
  - EMU [CHEM 115](#) & [CHEM 116](#) or higher
  - EMU [PHY 101](#) or higher
- Science Electives (2.0 HS credits or equivalent), satisfied with any combination of 2 of the following options:
  - 1.0 in HS Science electives
  - ECA Academy Science
  - Any ECA Survey of Science Methods course
  - 4 - 5 EMU credits (minimum lecture & lab) in EMU General Education Requirements Area IV, [Knowledge of the Disciplines](#), Natural Science approved course (GEKN)
  - ECA Engineering Foundations (**Only 1.0 HS credit of 2.0 HS credit required allowed**)

**Social Studies ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area III: [Perspectives on a Diverse World](#) (GEGA & GEUS) and Area IV: [Knowledge of the Disciplines, Social Sciences \(GEKS\)](#)**

**\*\*Students must complete at least one EMU course listed below, or an elective EMU US Diversity or Social Science course.\*\***

- US History/Geography (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 1.0 HS credit in US History and/or Geography
    - ECA US History/Geography
    - Either [HIST 123](#) OR [HIST 124](#) AND one of the following courses:
      - [AFC 101](#), [AFC 232](#), [ANTH 237](#), [HIST 115](#), [HIST 116](#), [HIST 123](#), [HIST 124](#), [PLSC 215](#), [SOCL 214](#), [ANTH 214](#), [URP 115](#)
  - World History/Geography (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 1.0 HS credit in World History and/or Geography
    - ECA World History/Geography
    - ECA Big History (World) A/College Lit AND ECA Big History (World) B/College Lit
    - ECA Academy Big History (World) A/College Lit AND ECA Academy Big History (World) B/College Lit
    - ECA Big History (World) A OR B/College Lit OR ECA Academy Big History (World) A OR B/College Lit AND [GEOG 110](#) OR [GEOG 107](#)
    - [GEOG 107](#) OR [GEOG 110](#) AND one of the following courses:
      - [AFC 102](#), [ANTH 233](#), [ARTH 151](#), [CASI 206](#), [CLAS 106](#), [ECON 108](#), [GEOG 107](#), [GEOG 110](#), [HIST 101](#), [HIST 102](#), [HIST 103](#), [HIST 109](#), [HIST 110](#), [HIST 151](#), [HIST 202](#), [PHIL 228](#), [PLSC 212](#), [PLSC 213](#), [RLST 100](#)
  - Civics/Government (0.5 HS credit, or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 0.5 HS credit in Civics and/or Government
    - ECA US Government
    - [PLSC 112](#)
  - Economics (0.5 HS credit, or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 0.5 HS credit in Economics
    - ECA Economics
    - [ECON 100](#) or above
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**Physical Education and Health ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area V: [Learning Beyond the Classroom](#) (GELB)**

- Physical Education (0.5 HS credit, or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
  - 0.5 HS credit in Physical Education
  - ECA District PE Waiver
  - 1 - 3 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU [PEGN](#) coursework **\*Except PEGN 210L1\***
  - 1 - 3 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU [DANC](#) coursework
  - ECA Academy PE
- Health (0.5 HS credit, or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
  - 0.5 HS credit in Health
  - EMU [PEGN 210L1](#) AND CPR/AED Training Course
  - Online Health Course AND CPR/AED Training Course
  - ECA Health Waiver AND CPR/AED Training Course
  - ECA Academy Health AND the included CPR/AED Training Course

## Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area IV: [Knowledge of the Disciplines, Arts \(GEKA\)](#)

- Visual **OR** Performing **OR** Applied Arts (1.0 HS credit or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 1.0 HS credit in Visual **OR** Performing **OR** Applied Arts
    - 3 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU General Education Requirements Area IV, [Knowledge of the Disciplines, Arts \(GEKA\)](#)
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## World Language ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area IV: [Knowledge of the Disciplines, Humanities \(GEKH\)](#)

*World Language can be in any language the student chooses, including but not limited to Spanish, French, German, Latin, Chinese, Japanese, Arabic, or American Sign Language. **\*\*Students must complete at least one EMU course listed below, or an elective EMU World Language, Humanities or Global Awareness course\*\****

- World Language (2.0 HS credits or equivalent), satisfied by one of the following options:
    - 2.0 HS credit in World Language
    - 6 - 9 EMU credits (minimum 2 classes) in EMU World Language
    - 1.0 HS credit in World Language **OR** 3 - 5 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU World Language **AND** one of the following:
      - 1.0 HS credit in World Language
      - 3 - 5 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU World Language
      - 3 EMU credits (minimum 1 class) in EMU General Education Requirements Area IV, [Knowledge of the Disciplines, Arts \(GEKA\)](#)
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## US Diversity ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area III: [Perspectives on a Diverse World \(GEUS\)](#)

- ONE of the following courses that focuses on US Diversity, Inclusion, and/or Social Justice:
    - ECA Government or ECA US History/Geography
    - Any ECA elective with a focus on US Diversity, Inclusion, and/or Social Justice
    - 3 EMU credits in EMU General Education Requirements Area III: [Perspectives on a Diverse World \(GEUS\)](#)
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## Online Experience ~ EMU General Education Requirements Area V: [Learning Beyond the Classroom \(GELB\)](#)

**\*\*Students must be enrolled in a CLICK course every semester of ECA enrollment\*\***

- Academy CLICK (1.0 HS credits)
- ECA CLICK (1.5 HS credits)
- Completer ECA CLICK (0.5 HS credits)