

REQUIRED PROFICIENCIES-BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

The ability to communicate clearly and effectively in a variety of modes – formal and informal, written and oral, in videos, on social media, and visually – is vital for career management, professional achievement, and engaging the social world as leaders, citizens, and community members. A continuous focus on developing written communication skills is essential to students' ongoing improvement as critical thinkers, problem solvers, and agents of information literacy.

The St. Catherine University writing requirement is designed to facilitate students' continued engagement with intentional writing instruction and feedback across the curriculum, in both the CORE and programs of study. Students will learn to write for different audiences and purposes, in different forms, and in ways that respond to disciplinary expectations and conventions.

In collaboration with classroom writing work, the O'Neill Center for Academic Development provides writing support to students at all levels and at all stages of writing.

Baccalaureate Writing Requirement

Baccalaureate students at St. Catherine University fulfill the writing requirement through the successful completion of four courses designated Writing Intensive (identified by a "W" after the course number). The four courses must meet the criteria described below to satisfy the writing requirement.

Students cannot earn Writing Intensive credit by taking any course, Writing Intensive-designated or not, as an independent study.

Core Writing Requirement

Students are required to take two Writing Intensive courses as part of the CORE curriculum course of study.

CORE 1000W The Reflective Woman, usually taken during the student's first year, introduces students to college writing at St. Catherine University by exploring writing for different audiences and purposes, receiving feedback on written work, and developing a clear sense of writing as an ongoing process of development.

CORE 3990W Global Search for Justice, usually taken during the student's 3rd or 4th year, further develops students' writing abilities as they address specific social problems and concerns; students focus on critical thinking, research, and communication skills in the context of social justice leadership.

Writing Requirement for the Major

Students are required to take one Writing Intensive course in their major program of study. Writing Intensive courses in the majors are dedicated to developing students' writing skills and abilities in terms of particular disciplines and professional careers.

Students who plan to complete a major through another Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities (ACTC) school must complete an additional writing intensive course at St. Catherine University to meet the writing requirement for the major.

Fourth Course Requirement

Students are required to take a fourth Writing Intensive course.¹ This course can be any other course designated Writing Intensive and can be taken as an elective or as required for a major or minor course of study. There are no Writing Intensive pre-requisites to take the fourth Writing Intensive course, but students should check course descriptions regarding any other prerequisites.

ENGL 1905W College Writing is a Writing Intensive course on writing for college and is recommended for students wanting a course focusing exclusively upon writing.

An expository writing course transferred from another college or university may be credited as one Writing Intensive course, dependent upon approval from the Director or Writing and Professional Communication and the registrar.

¹ See the LIFE Core Curriculum sections of the catalog for information about exemptions from the writing requirement.

List of Writing Intensive Courses

Writing-intensive courses are identified by a "W" appended to the course number (see online course catalog and course schedule). The courses designated as Writing Intensive for the 2022-23 academic year are listed below.

Please note that this list is subject to change. Current students should refer to the online Course Schedule or Degree Evaluation.

Subject Code	Course Number	Course Title
ACCT	4130W	Auditing
ARTH	3500W	Art and Power
BIOL	4860W	Senior Seminar
BIOL	4850W	Senior Seminar (in conjunction with BIOL 2720)
BUSI	3900W	Social Entrepreneurship
CHEM	4000W	Advanced Inorganic Chemistry with Lab
CHEM	4500W	Advanced Biochemistry with Lab
CLAS	3450W	Hindu Mythology
CLAS	3460W	Women in Greece and Rome
COMM	1000W	Introduction to Communication: Women and Social Change
COMM	3200W	Public Relations Writing
COMM	3070W	Gender and Rhetoric
CORE	1000W	The Reflective Woman
CORE	3990W	Global Search for Justice
CRST	2050W	Foundations of Critical Studies of Race and Ethnicity
CRST	2151W	Sociocultural Aspects of Dress

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CRST	3401W	Language as Power	MKTG	3250W	Integrated Marketing Communications
CRST	3451W	Haves and Have Nots: Development, Poverty, and Inequality	PHIL	2030W	Healthcare Ethics
CRST	3500W	Art and Power	PHIL	2200W	Ethics
CRST	4850W	Senior Seminar	POSC	1710W	Introduction to American Government and Policy
DSCI	3200W	Analyzing Social Issues with Data	POSC	2200W	Introduction to Comparative Government
ECED	2040W	Historical, Cultural, and Social Foundations of Early Childhood Education	POSC	3450W	Haves and Have Nots: Development, Poverty, and Inequality
ECON	3450W	Haves and Have Nots: Development, Poverty, and Inequality	PSYC	4220W	History and Systems
ECON	3460W	Global Financial Issues	PTA	4000W	Rehab Administration Capstone
ECON	3480W	International Economics	RESP	3200W	Advanced Therapeutics
EDUC	2070W	Teachers as Leaders for a Changing Society	RESP	4800W	Senior Seminar
ENGL	1905W	College Writing	RTT	4015W	Principles of Oncology II
ENGL	2130W	Written Communication for College	SALE	4430W	Advanced Sales: Strategic Account Management
ENGL	2270W	Shakespeare	SOCI	2100W	Research Methods in Sociology
ENGL	2280W	Literary Themes	SOCI	3700W	Social Theory
ENGL	2350W	Grammar in Practice	SOWK	3800W	Social Work Research
ENGL	3302W	Writing for Writers	SOWK	4010W	Generalist Practice I: Small Client Systems
ENGL	3360W	Intermediate Writing: Writing with Power, Purpose and the Perfect Word	SPAN	3050W	Visions of the Hispanic World: Reading to Speak and Write
ENGL	3400W	Language as Power	SPAN	4860W	Senior Seminar
ENGL	4320W	The Editorial Process	SSCS	2040W	Power, Inequality and Social Change
ENGL	4860W	Seminar	THEO	2040W	Sacramental Life
EXSS	2800W	Measurement and Evaluation in Exercise and Sport Science	THEO	3360W	War, Peace and the Apocalypse
FASH	2150W	Sociocultural Aspects of Dress	THEO	3500W	Liturgical Theology: Celebration at the Center
FSNU	4310W	Experimental Foods and Nutrition	THEO	3670W	The Quest for God in Contemporary Experience
HIST	3000W	Historiography	THEO	3752W	Christianity, Judaism and Islam
HIST	3460W	Women in Greece and Rome	THEO	3753W	Christianity, Hinduism and Buddhism
HLTH	4800W	Senior Seminar in Public Health	THEO	3850W	Human Sexuality: Theological and Spiritual Explorations
INTP	4210W	Senior Seminar	THEO	3930W	Christian Women Mystics
IPE	4200W	Research Methods	WOST	1000W	Introduction to Communication: Women and Social Change
MATH	4850W	Senior Seminar (in conjunction with MATH 2850)			
MGMT	4490W	Strategic Management			
MGMT	4850W	Senior Seminar in Healthcare Management			

WOST	2050W	Foundations in Women's Studies
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