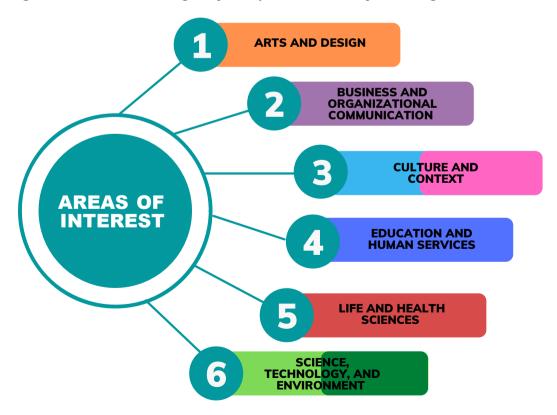
MAJOR EXPLORATION GUIDE

UW-W has more than 50 major options! Not sure which major is best for you? Start narrowing down your options by focusing on one or two broad areas of interest.

BROAD FIELDS OF STUDY

View the different areas of interest below. Descriptions about each area can be found on the next page. When you find one or more that spark some interest, review the majors associated within that area and select courses that relate to those majors

While selecting courses, utilize your General Education Elective requirements or your U.S. Racial/Ethnic Diversity requirement to take coursework in an area that might interest you. Also, use this guide when discussing major exploration with your assigned academic advisor.









Art and Design

Do you enjoy design and having creative control of your work? Are you interested in increasing awareness of the arts? Do you enjoy using a medium to entertain, inform or inspire? Majors in this area explore the performance and production of various art forms as well as the theory, history and impact of creativity on society. **This field of study is a great fit for students who enjoy and value creativity.**

Majors: Art, Communication - Electronic Media, Media Arts and Game Development, Music, and Theatre

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Majors: Accounting, Economics, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Public Policy and Administration, Supply Chain and Operations Management, Communication, General Business, Advertising, Human Resource Management, General Management, and Sports Management

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Do you enjoy learning about people, society, culture, and how they interact? Are you interested in communication and relationships? Do you want a broad educational experience that prepares you to connect to the future needs of society? This field of study is a great fit for students who enjoy the study of the language, history, and experiences of others.

Majors: English, French, German, History, International Business, International Studies, Japanese Studies, Journalism, Liberal Studies, Spanish, and Women's and Gender Studies

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Majors: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Cyber Security, Environmental Science, Geography (Physical), Geology (Rock County Campus) Information Technology, Integrated Science Business, Mathematics, Media Arts and Game Development - Technology, Occupational Safety, Physics, Theatre - Design/Technology, and Engineering (Rock County campus)

EXAMPLE SEMESTER LAYOUT

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Semester 1: *If you are considering Music, AUDITION! Semester 2:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 100 or 101	3-4
MATH 139	3
INTRAUNV 104	1
CORE 110	3
Arts and Expression	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	13-14

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 102	3
CORE 120/140	3
Or CORE 130	
Lab Science (GL)	4-5
Arts and Expression	3
Exploratory Course	
COMM 110	3
Total	16-17

Semester 3:

Course	Credits
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
PENGRL 192	1
U.S. Racial and	3
Ethnic Diversity (DV)	
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
Total	13-16

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Art BA

Art Studio 102 – 2D
Art Studio 103 – 3D
Art Studio 201 – Drawing I
Art History 201 – Ancient to 1400 CE
*All of these would work for the Art minor as well

Music

*Audition right away (even if unsure)
Music 151 – Theory I

Communication

For electronic media emphasis: COMM 238 – Video Production 1: Fundamentals of Video For audio and video production:

COMM 239 – Audio Production 1: Fundamentals of Audio

Theater (BA & BFA)

Theatre 110 – Intro to Theatre Theatre 120 – Intro to Acting

MAGD

MAGD 150 – Intro to Media Arts and Game Development

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Semester 1:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 100 or 101	3-4
MATH 139	3-5
INTRAUNV 104	1
CORE 110	3
Current Issues	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	13-16

Semester 3:

Course	Credits
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
PENGRL 192	1
Making a difference	3
Exploratory Course	
COMM 110	3
U.S. Racial and	3
Ethnic Diversity	
Course (DV)	
Total	13-16

Semester 2:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 102	3
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
IF COBE MATH	3-5
143 OR Lab Science	
(GL)	
*If COBE*BEINDP	3
101 OR <i>Major</i>	
Course	
The Human Spark	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	15-17

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COBE Majors

*BEINDP 101 – Business and Society
*Must be declared CoBE major
MATH 143 – Math for Business and
Social Sciences

Communication

*COMM 424 – Cross Cultural
Communication (*also counts as the
international requirement for COBE
majors) Pre-req: COMM 110
COMM 228 – Interpersonal
Communications

Journalism- Advertising

Journalism 220 – Foundations of Advertising

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ENGLISH 100 or 101	3-4
MATH 139	3
INTRAUNV 104	1
CORE 110	3
Engaging with the	3
world Exploratory	
Course or Current	
Issues Exploratory	
Course	
Total	13-14

Semester 2:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 102	3
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
Lab Science (GL)	4-5
Time Travel	3
Exploratory Course	
The Human Spark	3
Exploratory Course	
or Current Issues	
Exploratory Course	
Total	16-17

Semester 3:

Course	Credits
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
U.S. Racial and	3
Ethnic Diversity (DV)	
Major Course	3
COMM 110	3
PENGRL 192	1
Total	14

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Language Majors

Take the 1st Language Class or course based on Placement Test, AP/IB scores, or transfer credit

English PW Emphasis

PWP 230 – Foundations of Professional Writing

Creative Writing

ENGLISH 274 – Creative Writing Intro course

Women's & Gender Studies

WOMENST 100 – Intro to WGS WOMENST 120 – Into to LGBTQ+ studies

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MATH 139	3
INTRAUNV 104	1
CORE 110	3
Making a Difference	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	13-14

Semester 3:

Course	Credits
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
U.S. Racial and	3
Ethnic Diversity (DV)	
Major Course	3
COMM 110	3
PENGRL 192	1
Total	14

Semester 2:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 102	3
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
Lab Science (GL)	4-5
The Human Spark	3
Exploratory Course/	
MATH	
Current Issues	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	16-17

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Communication Sciences & Disorders

COMDIS 270 – Intro to Human Communication and Disorders

*COMDIS and SPECED can take:

*BIOLOGY 214 – Ecology and Society OR *GEOLOGY 252 – Global Environmental Challenges

Sociology

SOCIOLOGY 240 – Principles of Sociology

Special Education

SPECED 205 – Introduction to Special Education
EDFOUND 222 – Child Development

Social Work

*SOCWORK 101- Intro to Profession
*Must be declared Social Work major to
take
SOCWORK 102 – Intro to Social Welfare

Political Science and Legal Studies

POLISCI 141 – American Government and Politics

*POLISCI 101 – Intro to Political Science
*Must be declared POLISCI major/minor to
take

Criminology

SOCIOLOGY 276 - Intro to Criminology

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INTRAUNV 104	1
CORE 110	3
Making a Difference	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	13-14

Semester 3:

Course	Credits
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
U.S. Racial and	3
Ethnic Diversity (DV)	
Major Course/ Math	3
151	
COMM 110	3
PENGRL 192	1
Total	14

Semester 2:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 102	3
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
Lab Science (GL)	4-5
Major Course/	3-4
MATH 142	
The Human Spark	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	16-17

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Human Performance

Not thinking about graduate school: BIOLOGY 120 – Biological Foundations Thinking about graduate school: BIOLOGY 141 – Introductory Biology

Any Science Major

Biology 141 – Introductory Biology

Psychology

PSYCHOLOGY 211 – Introductory Psychology

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ENGLISH 100 or 101	3-4
MATH 139	3
INTRAUNV 104	1
CORE 110	3
Discovery	3
Exploratory Course	
Total	13-16

Semester 2:

Course	Credits
ENGLISH 102	3
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
Lab Science (GL)	4-5
Math 142	4
Discovery	3
Exploratory Course	
or Creating in Code	
Exploratory Course	
Total	17-18

Semester 3:

Course	Credits
CORE 120/140 or	3
CORE 130	
Math 151	3
Major Course	3
COMM 110	3
PENGRL 192	3
Total	15

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Computer Science

COMPSCI 172 – Introduction to Java
OR
COMPSCI 174 – Introduction to C++

Occupational Safety

SAFETY 201 – Personal and public safety

Theatre-Design/Tech BFA

Theatre 110 – Intro to theatre and Theatre 120 – Intro to acting

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YOUR EDUCATION, YOUR CHOICE

Thinking about General Education Electives

We recommend that new students take at least one elective course and there are many options. Some students get the opportunity to take multiple electives. To help you focus your choices, this document contains a selection of elective courses by themes that are open to most first-year students and count as General Education electives (GA, GE, GG, GH, GS, GW). Courses designated GL, GN, and GQ count towards the Quantitative and Technical Reasoning requirement.

Are you interested in music ensembles and/or an activity-based class? See separate handouts.

This is not a complete list of courses and not all courses may be available but take a moment to think about different opportunities in your education and the many areas you can explore at UW-Whitewater.

ARTS AND EXPRESSION: Self-Expression and Exploring the Arts HEALTH AND SOCIETY: Making a Difference by Helping Others

CREATING IN CODE: Data and Programming

THE HUMAN SPARK: Understanding and Influencing TIME TRAVEL: People and Places Throughout Time

CURRENT ISSUES: U.S. Culture, Politics, Economy and Society

GOING GLOBAL: Engaging with the World

DISCOVERY: Sustainability and the Physical and Natural World

Arts and Expression: Self-Expression and Exploring the Arts	COMMUNICATION 236 INTRODUCTION TO CINEMA (GA) DANCE 110 DANCE APPRECIATION (GA) DANCE 141 CONTEMPORARY DANCE TECHNIQUE I (GA) DANCE 145 BALLET I (GA) DANCE 155 TAP DANCE I (GA) DANCE 243 IMPROVISATION/SOUND (GA) ENGLISH/FILM/WOMENST 266 GENDER AND FILM (GE)** ENGLISH 274 CREATIVE WRITING (GA)** FILM/PWP 272 CRITICAL WRITING IN MULTIMEDIA CONTEXTS (GH)** MUSIC 140 INTRO TO CLASSICAL MUSIC (GA) MUSIC 143 SURVEY OF AMERICAN JAZZ (GA/DV) MUSIC BANDS and CHOIRS (various options, ask for handout) THEATRE 100 THEATRE APPRECIATION (GA) THEATRE 110 INTRO TO THEATRE (GA)
Health and Society: Making a Difference by Helping Others	COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS 270 INTRO TO HUMAN COMM AND DISORDERS (GS) EDUCATION INTERDEPARTMENTAL 250 RACE AND RACISM IN SCHOOLS (DV)** PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL 282 NUTRITION FOR HEALTH (GW) POLITICAL SCIENCE 240 LAW AND SOCIETY (GS) PUBLIC HEALTH 101 INTRO TO PUBLIC HEALTH (GW) SAFETY 201 PERSONAL AND PUBLIC SAFETY (GW) SAFETY 255 ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS (GW) SOCIAL WORK 102 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL WELFARE (GS) SOCIOLOGY 252 INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY STUDIES (GS) SOCIOLOGY 276 INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINOLOGY (GS)
Creating in Code: Data, Programming, and Logic	COMPUTER SCIENCE 162 COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (GQ)** COMPUTER SCIENCE 165 INTRO TO COMPUTATIONAL THINKING (GQ)** COMPUTER SCIENCE 170 INTRO TO PYTHON PROGRAMMING (GQ)** COMPUTER SCIENCE 172 INTRODUCTION TO JAVA (GQ)** COMPUTER SCIENCE 174 INTRODUCTION TO C++ (GQ)** COMPUTER SCIENCE 180 DATA SCIENCE FOR EVERYONE (GQ)** PHILOSOPHY 251 LOGIC (GQ)

The Human Spark: Understanding and Influencing	COMMUNICATION 131 INTRO TO MASS COMMUNCATION (GS) COMMUNICATION 228 INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION (GS) COMMUNICATION 242 COMMUNICATION AND TEAM BUILDING (GH) JOURNALISM 224 MEDIA CRITICISM (GH) PHILOSOPHY 101 INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY (GH) PHILOSOPHY 261 INTRO TO ETHICS (GH) POLITICAL SCIENCE 250 INTRO TO POLITICAL THEORY (GH) PSYCHOLOGY 202 PSYCHOLOGY OF WOMEN (GS) PSYCHOLOGY 211 INTRODUCTORY PSYCHOLOGY (GS) SOCIOLOGY 240 PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY (GS) WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES 100 INTRO TO WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES (GE) WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES 120 INTRODUCTION TO LGBTQ STUDIES (GE)
Time Travel: People and Places Throughout Time	ANTHROPOLOGY 225 HUMAN EVOLUTION: INTRO TO BIOLOGICAL ANTHRO (GN) ENGLISH 206 BRITISH LITERATURE SURVEY I (GH)** HISTORY 124 AMERICAN HISTORY TO 1877 (GH/DV) HISTORY 130 THE EAST ASIAN TRADITION (GG) HISTORY 155 HISTORY OF MODERN EUROPE (GH) HISTORY 190 NORTH AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY (GH)
Current Issues U.S. Culture, Politics, Economy, and Society	AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES 100 INTRODUCTION TO BLACK CULTURE (GE/DV) AFRIAMR/POLITICAL SCIENCE 261 AFRICAN-AMERICAN POLITICS (GE/DV) ECONOMICS 201 PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS (GS)** ENGLISH 110 POPULAR CULTURE AND LITERATURE (GH) FINANCE AND BUSINESS LAW 101 PERSONAL FINANCE (GW) LATINX 150 INTRO TO U.S. LATINX LITERATURE (GE/DV) POLITICAL SCIENCE 141 AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS (GS) POLITICAL SCIENCE 247 ISSUES & CRISIS: CREATING A SOCIETY ON MARS (GS) RACE AND ETHNIC STUDIES 201 INTRO TO RACE AND ETHNIC STUDIES (DV) SOCIOLOGY 250 SOCIAL PROBLEMS (GS) SOCIOLOGY 265 RACE AND ETHNIC RELATIONS (GS/DV)
Going Global: Engaging with the World	ARABIC 141 BEGINNING ARABIC (GG) ASIANSTD/RELIGIOUS STUDIES 111 INTRO TO ASIAN RELIGIONS (GG) ASIANSTD/HISTORY 130 THE EAST ASIAN TRADITION (GG) CHINESE 141 BEGINNING CHINESE (GG) FRENCH 141 (or see placement information) (GG) GEOGRAPHY 230 HUMAN GEOGRAPHY (GG) GEOGRAPHY 252 GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES (GG) GERMAN 141 (or see placement information) (GG) INTERNATIONAL AND AREA STUDIES 200 CURRENT EVENTS (GG) JAPANESE 101 BEGINNING JAPANESE (GG) SPANISH 141 (or see placement information) (GG) SPANISH 325 (for native/heritage Spanish speakers, permission required) (GG)
Discovery: Sustainability and the Physical and Natural World	ASTRONOMY 112 INTRODUCTION TO ASTRONOMY (lab science) (GL)** BIOLOGY 120 BIOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS (lab science) (GL)** BIOLOGY/WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES 180 SEX, GENDER, AND HEALTH (GN) BIOLOGY 214 ECOLOGY AND SOCIETY (GN) ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE 200 INTRO TO ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (GN)** GEOGRAPHY 120 GLOBAL CLIMATE SYSTEMS (lab science) (GL)** GEOGRAPHY 250 GEOGRAPHY OF WISCONSIN (GS) HISTORY 190 NORTH AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY (GH) PHYSICS 130 PHYSICS FOUNDATIONS (lab science) (GL)** PHYSICS 212 PHYSICS FOR EVERYDAY THINKING (lab science) (GL)** PHYSICS 240 PHYSICS OF SOUND AND MUSIC (GN)**