

# ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A. Liberal Arts / B.A. Conflict Analysis  
and Resolution Pathway  
**2021-2022**

## A.A. Liberal Arts

### ADVANCE Program Milestones

**ADVANCE Milestone Requirements:** All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#6, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are highly encouraged to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA graduation by March 1 for spring graduation or June 1 for summer graduation. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA graduation by October 1 for winter graduation.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework in no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must:
  - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
  - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills <b>OR</b> SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking <b>OR</b> CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
4	World Language #1	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective ( <i>if placed out of World Language</i> )	GMU Equivalent	Carter For. Lang or General Elective
5	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
6	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	General Elective
7	World Language #2	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective ( <i>if placed out of World Language</i> )	GMU Equivalent	Carter For. Lang or General Elective
8	MTH 245 or Transfer Elective	3	MTH 245 Statistics I ( <b>recommended</b> ) <b>OR</b> PSY 219 Cross Cultural Psychology <b>OR</b> SOC 268 Social Problems	STAT 250 PSYC L379 SOCI L352	General Elective
9	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I <b>OR</b> CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I <b>OR</b> ENV 121 General Environmental Science I <b>OR</b> GOL 105 Physical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
10	ENG Literature Elective	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story <b>OR</b> ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I <b>OR</b> ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II <b>OR</b> ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I <b>OR</b> ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II <b>OR</b> ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	Literature
11	World Language #3	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective ( <i>if placed out of World Language</i> )	GMU Equivalent	Carter For. Lang or General Elective
12	HIS Course #1	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I <b>OR</b> HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II <b>OR</b> HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ

13	Science Course #2 or General Education Elective	3-4	BIO 101 General Biology I <b>OR</b> BIO 102 General Biology II <b>OR</b> CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I <b>OR</b> ENV 121 General Environmental Science I <b>OR</b> ENV 122 General Environmental Science II <b>OR</b> GEO 200 Introduction to Physical Geography <b>OR</b> GOL 105 Physical Geology <b>OR</b> GOL 106 Historical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I <b>OR</b> PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 103/105 BIOL 102 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 EVPP 112/113 GGG 102 GEOL 101 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103 PHYS 104	Nat Science
14	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	CONF 210 Theories of Conflict Analysis and Resolution	CONF 210	Major
15	World Language #4	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 202 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective <i>(if placed out of World Language)</i>	GMU Equivalent	Carter For. Lang or General Elective
16	Open Elective #1	3	CONF 101 Conflict and our World (co-enrollment course) <b>OR</b> PLS 250 Introduction to Conflict Resolution	CONF 101 CONF 101	Major
17	Open Elective #2 (Must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - See your Success Coach)	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts <b>OR</b> ITE 119 Information Literacy	IT 103 IT 104	Info Tech
18	HIS Course #2	3	HIS 203 History of African Civilization I <b>OR</b> HIS 231 History of Latin American Civilizations I <b>OR</b> HIS 251 History of Middle East Civilization I <b>OR</b> HIS 253 History of Asian Civilizations I	HIST 261 HIST 271 HIST 281 HIST 251	Major
19	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation <b>OR</b> ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I <b>OR</b> ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II <b>OR</b> CST 130 Introduction to Theatre <b>OR</b> CST 151 Film Appreciation I <b>OR</b> MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGH L372 MUSI 101	Arts
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics <b>OR</b> ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics <b>OR</b> GEO 210 Introduction to Cultural Geography <b>OR</b> HIS 121 United States History I <b>OR</b> HIS 122 United States History II <b>OR</b> PLS 135 American National Politics <b>OR</b> PSY 200 Principles of Psychology <b>OR</b> PYS 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology (recommended) <b>OR</b> PSY 230 Developmental Psychology <b>OR</b> SOC 200 Principles of Sociology <b>OR</b> SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I <b>OR</b> SOC 268 Social Problems (recommended)	ECON 104 ECON 103 GGG 103 HIST 121 HIST 122 GOVT 103 PSYC 100 PSYC L379 PSYC 211 SOCI 101 ANTH 114 SOCI L352	Soc/Behav
21	HUM 298	1	HUM 298 Seminar and Project - Liberal Arts	N/A	AA Degree Requirement

**A. A. LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE**  
**TOTAL** 60-62

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

## B.A. Conflict Analysis and Resolution

**Concentrations:** Building Peace in Divided Societies; Global Engagement; Political and Social Action; Justice and Reconciliation; Interpersonal Dynamics; Collaborative Leadership; Environmental Conflict and Collaboration, Individualized, No Concentration.

**NOTE:** To complete a concentration, at least two of the six concentration courses must be CONF courses. For students without a concentration, all six major electives must be CONF courses. Courses may not double count for the concentration requirement and the skills and practice requirement.

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
22	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 300 Conflict Resolution Techniques and Practice	Major
23	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 320 Interpersonal Conflict Analysis and Resolution	Major

24	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
25	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course <sup>1</sup>	Major
26	Skills and Practice	3	Approved Skills and Practice course <sup>2</sup>	Major
27	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 330 Community Group, and Organizational Conflict Analysis and Resolution	Major
28	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 340 Global Conflict Analysis and Resolution	Global & Major
29	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 301 Research and Inquiry in Conflict Resolution	Major
30	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course <sup>1</sup>	Major
31	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course <sup>1</sup>	Major
32	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course <sup>1</sup>	Major
33	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 302 Culture, Identity, and Conflict	Writing Intensive
34	Field Experience	3	Approved Field Experience course <sup>1</sup>	Major
35	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course <sup>1</sup>	Major
36	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective
37	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective
38	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course <sup>1</sup>	Major
39	Gen Ed: Synthesis/Core Requirement	3	CONF 490 RS: Integration	Synthesis
40	General Electives	3	Approved Information Technology course <sup>3</sup> ( <i>if not completed at NOVA</i> ) OR General Electives (See: Advisor)	Info Tech or General Elective
41	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective
<b>B.A. CONFLICT ANALYSIS &amp; RESOLUTION DEGREE TOTAL 120</b>				
<b>Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.</b>				
<b>Important Academic Information:</b> <sup>1</sup> For approved CONF Concentration, Skills and Practice, and Field Experience courses, please visit - <a href="https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/peace-conflict-resolution/conflict-analysis-resolution-ba/#requirements">https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/peace-conflict-resolution/conflict-analysis-resolution-ba/#requirements</a> <sup>2</sup> For the Skills and Practice requirement, students have the option to take one 3-credit course or three 1-credit courses. For options, please visit: <a href="https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/conflict-analysis-resolution/conflict-analysis-resolution-ba/#requirements">https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/conflict-analysis-resolution/conflict-analysis-resolution-ba/#requirements</a> <sup>3</sup> For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <a href="https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/">https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/</a>				
<b>Additional General Notes &amp; Resources:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students cannot use more than 12 credits of coursework within the major with a C- or D grade to count towards the Conflict Analysis and Resolution, BA. If a student receives C- or D grades in excess of the allowed number, they may retake courses to meet the major coursework grade requirement for graduation. Students taking a graduate course for undergraduate credit must achieve a grade of B- or higher for graduate course credits to count towards their undergraduate degree.</li> <li>ADVANCE students who earn at least a 2.85 cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeatable D/F grades may be eligible to receive a waiver for any lower-level Mason Core courses not already completed. To be eligible for the core waiver, students must also complete the requirements of the AA or AS degree listed on their pathway, and apply to graduate from NOVA by the deadline (see milestone #3). Students must meet these criteria by the time of matriculation to Mason and provide the Office of Admissions a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date.</li> <li>For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <a href="https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/">https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/</a></li> <li>Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.</li> </ul>				