

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A. Liberal Arts / B.A. Conflict Analysis
and Resolution Pathway
2022-2023

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-#7, 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 spring graduation by March 1 or summer graduation by June 1. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA fall graduation by October 1.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework 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 complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
7. Students must complete a Mason Core Quantitative Reasoning course equivalent with a C or better no later than one semester before NOVA graduation. Refer to your pathway to select the appropriate MTH course(s).

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course		SDV 100 College Success Skills OR 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 OR CST 110 Introduction to Human Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
4	World Language #1	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 OR 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 OR 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 OR PSY 219 Cross Cultural Psychology OR SOC 268 Social Problems	STAT 250 PSYC L379 SOCI L352	General Elective ¹
9	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 100 Elements of Physics	BIOL 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101/103 PHYS 103	Nat Science
10	ENG Literature Elective	3	ENG 225 Reading Literature: Culture and Ideas OR ENG 245 British Literature OR ENG 246 American Literature OR ENG 255 World Literature OR ENG 258 African American Literature OR ENG 275 Women's Literature OR Any 200-Level ENG Literature course ²	ENGH 202 or FRLN L330 (ENG 255 only)	Literature
11	World Language #3	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 OR 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 Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE OR HIS 102 Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE OR HIS 112 World Civilizations Post-1500 CE	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ

13	Science Course #2 or General Education Elective	3-4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR	BIOL 103/105	Nat Science	
			BIO 102 General Biology II OR	BIOL 102		
			CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry OR	CHEM 103		
			ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR	EVPP 108/109		
			ENV 122 General Environmental Science II OR	EVPP 112/113		
			GEO 200 Introduction to Physical Geography OR	GGG 102		
			GOL 105 Physical Geology OR	GEOL 101/103		
			GOL 106 Historical Geology OR	GEOL 102/104		
PHY 100 Elements of Physics	PHYS 103					
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 OR 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) OR PLS 250 Introduction to Conflict Resolution		CONF 101 CONF 101	Major & Soc/Behav
17	Open Elective #2 <i>(Must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - See your ADVANCE Coach)</i>	3	ITE 152 Introduction to Digital and Information Literacy and Computer Applications		IT 104	Info Tech
	18		HIS Course #2	3	HIS 203 History of African Civilizations OR	HIST 261
HIS 231 Introduction to Latin American History OR		HIST 271				
HIS 251 History of Middle East Civilization I OR		HIST 281				
HIS 254 History of Modern East Asian Civilizations		HIST 252				
19	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation OR	ARTH 101	Arts	
			ART 101 History of Art: Prehistoric to Gothic OR	ARTH 200		
			ART 102 History of Art: Renaissance to Modern OR	ARTH 201		
			CST 130 Introduction to Theatre OR	THR 101		
			CST 151 Film Appreciation I OR	ENGH L372		
MUS 121 Music in Society	MUSI 101					
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics OR	ECON 104	General Elective	
			ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics OR	ECON 103		
			GEO 210 People and the Land: An Introduction to Cultural Geography OR	GGG 103		
			HIS 121 United States History to 1877 OR	HIST 121		
			HIS 122 United States History Since 1865 OR	HIST 122		
			PLS 135 U.S. Government and Politics OR	GOVT 103		
			PLS 241 Introduction to International Relations OR	GOVT 132		
			PSY 200 Principles of Psychology OR	PSYC 100		
			PYS 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology (recommended) OR	PSYC L379		
			PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR	PSYC 211		
			SOC 200 Introduction to Sociology OR	SOCI 101		
			SOC 211 Cultural Anthropology OR	ANTH 114		
SOC 268 Social Problems (recommended)	SOCI L352					
21	HUM 298	1	HUM 298 Seminar and Project - Liberal Arts		GENL XXX	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 ³	Major
26	Skills and Practice	3	Approved Skills and Practice course ⁴	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 ³	Major
31	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course ³	Major
32	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course ³	Major
33	Required Core Courses	3	CONF 302 Culture, Identity, and Conflict	Writing Intensive
34	Field Experience	3	Approved Field Experience course ³	Major
35	Major Elective or Concentration Course	3	Approved Concentration or CONF elective course (See: Advisor) ¹	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 ³	Major
39	Gen Ed: Synthesis/Core Requirement	3	CONF 490 RS: Integration	Synthesis
40	General Electives	3	Approved Information Technology course ⁵ (if not completed at NOVA) OR General Electives (See: Advisor)	Info Tech or General Elective
41	General Electives	1-3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective

B.A. CONFLICT ANALYSIS & RESOLUTION DEGREE TOTAL 120

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your ADVANCE Coach to enroll. Failure to complete your co-enrollment course(s) while attending NOVA can significantly affect your timeline for Mason graduation. Please see your ADVANCE Coach for more information and to enroll.

Important Academic Information:

¹PSY 219 and SOC 268 may fulfill concentration requirements in the BA degree. See your Mason CONF advisor after transferring to select courses most appropriate for your academic plan.

²200-level ENG literature classes include: ENG 225, ENG 230, ENG 236, ENG 237, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 256, ENG 257, ENG 258, ENG 271, ENG 275, and ENG 279.

³For approved CONF Concentration, Skills and Practice, and Field Experience courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/peace-conflict-resolution/conflict-analysis-resolution-ba/#requirements>

⁴For the Skills and Practice requirement, students have the option to take one 3-credit course or three 1-credit courses. For options, please visit: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/peace-conflict-resolution/conflict-analysis-resolution-ba/#requirements>

⁵For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

Additional General Notes & Resources:

- 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.
- ADVANCE students who earn at least a 2.85 final, cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeatd 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 Mason 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 provide the Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date and a cumulative NOVA GPA at or above 2.85.
- For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.