

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A. Liberal Arts / B.A. Foreign Languages
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.

Enhance your World Language experience through study abroad

Both NOVA and Mason offer a variety of study abroad programs that can fulfill elementary, intermediate, or upper level Foreign Language degree requirements. Please visit the following webpages for more information.

NOVA Study Abroad: <https://www.nvcc.edu/international/abroad.html>

Mason Global Education Office (GEO): <http://www.gmu.edu/depts/cge/>

MCL Undergraduate Advisor Xi Chen: xchen8@gmu.edu for help in selecting an appropriate study abroad experience.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	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 Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
4	World Language #1	3-4	ARA 101 Beginning Arabic I OR CHI 101 Beginning Chinese I OR FRE 101 Beginning French I OR SPA 101 Beginning Spanish I OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language 101</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS 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	ARA 102 Beginning Arabic II OR CHI 102 Beginning Chinese II OR FRE 102 Beginning French II OR SPA 102 Beginning Spanish II OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language 102</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
8	MTH 245 or Transfer Elective	3	PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy I OR PHI 220 Ethics OR PHI 111 Logic I OR REL 100 Introduction to the Study of Religion OR REL 231 Religions of the World I OR REL 232 Religions of the World II OR REL 233 Introduction to Islam	PHIL 100 PHIL 151 PHIL 173 RELI 100 RELI 212 RELI 211 RELI 272	CHSS Phil/Rel

9	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR 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 OR ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II OR ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	Literature
11	World Language #3	3-4	ARA 201 Intermediate Arabic I OR CHI 201 Intermediate Chinese I OR FRE 201 Intermediate French I OR SPA 201 Intermediate Spanish I OR SPA 205 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language 201</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
12	HIS Course #1	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II OR 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 OR BIO 102 General Biology II OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR ENV 122 General Environmental Science II OR GEO 200 Introduction to Physical Geography OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR GOL 106 Historical Geology OR PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I OR PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 103/105 BIOL 102 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 EVPP 112/113 GGS 102 GEOL 101 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103 PHYS 104	Nat Science
14	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics OR ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics OR GEO 210 Introduction to Cultural Geography OR HIS 121 United States History I OR HIS 122 United States History II OR PSY 200 Principles of Psychology OR PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR SOC 200 Principles of Sociology OR SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I	ECON 104 ECON 103 GGS 103 HIST 121 HIST 122 PSYC 100 PSYC 211 SOCI 101 ANTH 114	Soc/Behav
15	World Language #4	3-4	ARA 202 Intermediate Arabic II OR CHI 202 Intermediate Chinese II OR FRE 202 Intermediate French II OR SPA 202 Intermediate Spanish II OR SPA 206 Spanish for Heritage Speakers II OR SPAN 212 Intermediate Spanish II: Local and Global Contexts (co-enrollment course) OR SPAN 215 Intermediate Spanish for Heritage Speakers (co-enrollment course) OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language 202</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
16	Open Elective #1	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts OR ITE 119 Information Literacy	IT 103 IT 104	Info Tech
17	Open Elective #2 (This elective must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - Please see your Success Coach)	3	CST 229 Intercultural Communication OR ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics OR GEO 210 Introduction to Cultural Geography OR PHI 101 Introductio to Philosophy I OR PSY 200 Principles of Psychology OR SOC 200 Principles of Sociology OR SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I	COMM L305 ECON 104 GGS 103 PHIL 100 PSYC 100 SOCI 101 ANTH 114	General Elective

18	HIS Course #2	3	HIS 203 History of African Civilization I OR	HIST 261	CHSS Non-Western
			HIS 231 History of Latin American Civilizations I OR	HIST 271	
			HIS 251 History of Middle East Civilization I OR	HIST 281	
			HIS 253 History of Asian Civilization I	HIST 251	
19	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation OR	ARTH 101	Arts
			ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I OR	ARTH 200	
			ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II OR	ARTH 201	
			CST 130 Introduction to Theatre OR	THR 101	
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2 (Must take different discipline than Social/Behavioral Science #1)	3	CST 151 Film Appreciation I OR	ENGH L372	Global & CHSS Soc/Behav
			MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	MUSI 101	
			GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR	GGG 101	
			HIS 111 History of World Civilization I OR	HIST L387	
21	HUM 298	1	PLS 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics OR	GOVT 133	AA Degree Requirement
			PLS 241 International Relations I OR	GOVT 132	
			PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology OR	PSYC L379	
			SSC 115 Introduction to Global Affairs	GLOA 101	
A. A. LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE			60-62		
TOTAL					
For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html					
B.A. Foreign Languages					
Concentrations: Arabic, Chinese, French, and Spanish					
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Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.

Important Academic Information:

¹For a list of concentration courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/modern-classical-languages/foreign-languages-ba/#requirements>.

²One of the foreign language concentration courses or upper level general electives must satisfy the Mason Core Synthesis or Capstone experience requirement. Consult your Mason advisor for options that apply to your language concentration. For approved Mason Core courses, please visit: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

Additional General Notes & Resources:

- Students pursuing this degree must complete 30-33 credits within the major, with a minimum GPA of 2.00.
- 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.
- 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.