

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A. Liberal Arts / B.A. Global Affairs
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 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	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</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	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
8	MTH 245 or Transfer Elective	3	PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy OR PHI 111 Logic I OR PHI 220 Ethics 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 173 PHIL 151 RELI 212 RELI 211 RELI 272	CHSS Phil/Reli
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 110 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	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</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 #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 GGG 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 GGG 103 HIST 121 HIST 122 PSYC 100 PSYC 211 SOCI 101 ANTH 114	Soc/Behav								
								15	World Language #4		3-4	World Language/ASL course sequence 202 OR Any General Education Elective <i>(if placed out of World Language)</i>	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective				
												16	Open Elective #1		3	SSC 115 Introduction to Global Affairs OR GLOA 101 Introduction to Global Affairs (co-enrollment course)	GLOA 101	Global
								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			ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts OR ITE 119 Information Literacy		IT 103 IT 104	Info Tech	
														18		HIS Course #2		
								19	Humanities/Fine Arts		3	ART 100 Art Appreciation OR ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I OR ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II OR CST 130 Introduction to Theatre OR CST 151 Film Appreciation I OR MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGL L372 MUSI 101		Arts			
												20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3		PLS 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics OR PLS 241 International Relations I	GOVT 133 GOVT 132	CHSS Soc/Behav
								21	HUM 298		1				HUM 298 Seminar and Project - Liberal Arts	N/A	AA Degree Requirement	
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TOTAL 60-62																		
For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html																		
B.A. Global Affairs																		
Concentrations: Environment; Global Economy and Management; Global Governance; Global Inequalities and Responses; Human Security; International Development; Media, Communication, and Culture; Africa; Asia; Europe; Latin America; Middle East and North Africa; North America; Russia and Central Asia; Individualized																		
MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT Credits Course MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT																		
22	Gen Ed: Information Technology or General Electives	3	Approved Information Technology Course ¹ OR General Elective <i>(if Info Tech completed at NOVA)</i>	Info Tech or General Elective														
	23	Language Study Beyond Intermediate Proficiency	3	Approved foreign language course ²	Major													

24	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
25	Core Courses in the Major	3	GOVT 322 International Relations Theory	Major
26	Core Courses in the Major	3	CULT 320 Globalization and Culture	Major
27	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved GLOA Concentration course ³	Major
28	Core Courses in the Major	3	ECON 385 International Economic Policy	Major
29	Core Courses in the Major	3	CONF 340 Global Conflict Analysis and Resolution	Major
30	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved GLOA Concentration course ³	Major
31	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved GLOA Concentration course ³	Major
32	Core Courses in the Major	3	EVPP 337 Environmental Policy Making in Developing Countries	Major
33	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
34	Language Study Beyond Intermediate Proficiency	3	Approved foreign language course ²	Major
35	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
36	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
37	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved GLOA Concentration course ³	Major
38	Capstone	3	GLOA 400 Global Affairs Capstone	Synthesis
39	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
40	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective
41	General Electives	1-3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective

B.A. GLOBAL AFFAIRS

DEGREE TOTAL 120

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.

Important Academic Information:

¹For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

²Approved foreign language courses are specifically designed to teach a language other than English and are instructed in that language. To fulfill this requirement, students can continue the study of one language beyond the intermediate proficiency level (required for all BA degrees in the college) or choose to study other languages. After a student has demonstrated intermediate proficiency in one language, the remainder of the requirement may be fulfilled by taking any courses taught in a foreign language, at any level.

³For approved GLOA Concentration courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/global-affairs/global-affairs-ba/#requirementstext>

Additional General Notes & Resources:

- Students pursuing this degree must complete 36-39 credits within the major, with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00. Students completing the Smithsonian-Mason semester program will have a total of 40-43 credits. Students must have a minimum grade of 2.00 in each of the core courses and GLOA 400, and a minimum grade of 1.67 in each of the courses used to fulfill the concentration and the language requirement for global affairs majors. Students who major in global affairs may not also earn the minor in global systems.
- 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.