

BGS in American Studies

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BGS in American Studies. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill Core 34, please visit the KU Core 34 page (<https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/>).

Freshman

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	Core 34: English (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3
Core 34: Math and Statistics (SGE) ⁰³⁰	3	Core 34: Communications (SGE) ⁰²⁰	3
AMS 100 or 110 (Goal 34: U.S. Culture (SGE)) ^{070**}	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours	3
	15		15

Sophomore

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
AMS 332 (Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE)) ^{050**}	3	Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE) ⁰⁴⁰	4-5
AMS Elective 200+ Level	3	Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	AMS Elective 300+ Level (1 of 3)	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
	15		16-17

Junior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
AMS 360 (Major Requirement TYPICALLY FALL ONLY)	3	Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3
AMS Elective 300+ (2 of 3)	3	AMS Elective 300+ (3 of 3)	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	AMS 496	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	BGS Career Course (BGSC)	3
	15		15

Senior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
AMS 694 or 696	1-4	AMS 550, 551, 552, or 553 (Capstone Requirement)	3
Core 34: Global Culture (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
BGS Career Prep Course	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ¹	1		
	14-17		15

Total Hours 120-124

¹ Hour requirements (incl. 45 jr/sr hrs) are typically met through Core 34, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is done in partnership with your advisor.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

*Courses with a * designate courses that are degree requirements but can also be taken to fulfill the KU Core 34 requirement. If another course is used to fulfill the Core 34 requirement, the course listed is still required as a degree requirement.

Notes:

* - This course is a Required major course and is also part of Core 34: Systemwide General Education. If this course is not taken to fulfill the Core 34:SGE requirement, it must be taken in place of elective hours.

** - This course is a Recommended Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This specific course is not required but is recommended by the program's faculty.

*** - This course is a Required Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents to require this specific Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. If a student did not take this course it must be taken in addition to other degree requirements.