Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BGS in American Studies. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill KU Core Goals, please visit the KU Core website [http://kucore.ku.edu/courses](http://kucore.ku.edu/courses).

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**Total Hours 120**

1. See the Degree Requirements tab for a list of courses that fulfill this major requirement.

2. Please note that the Bachelor of General Studies degree requires completion of a single BGS major AND a secondary field of academic study (a second major, co-major, or minor). This sample plan is based on the completion of a minor. If a second major is selected instead, elective hours on plan will be needed for these additional major requirements.

**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.

The same course cannot be used to fulfill more than one KU Core Goal.