

BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES

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GENERAL GUIDELINES

The general studies program is administered through Graduate and Extended Studies (G&ES). Students who are interested in this degree should consult the coordinator, or a staff member in the G&ES office.

BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE PROGRAM

The Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) degree program is designed to offer an academically sound program that provides an alternative to traditionally structured baccalaureate degrees. In acquiring credits, a student may proceed at his/her own pace, and request credit for courses that fulfill the purposes and outcomes of academic goals, as well as approved testing out options.

A student's program of study is a joint venture between the student and his/her academic advisor. The study core or concentration is developed with regard for individual needs and interests of the student in cooperation with the expertise of the faculty advisor. The program includes no on-campus residence requirements and no time limits. Students must complete a minimum of thirty-three (33) semester hours of upper-level Longwood courses.

The program is open to students whose life experiences (family, marital status, employment history, or military service) indicate nontraditional consideration. The candidate must submit an Application for BGS Admission and a non-refundable application fee. Students may be admitted conditionally to their first semester. In order to be admitted fully to the BGS program, a student must both maintain a minimum of 2.00 GPA (4.00 scale), and have earned at least 25 credits. In general, credits are accepted from institutions that are accredited by an appropriate regional accreditation agency, provided such credits carry a grade of "C" or better, and are comparable to courses offered at Longwood University. Transfer of credit does not necessarily guarantee applicability to specific degree requirements.

A traditional Longwood student may be fully accepted into the BGS only after a lapse of at least five years since enrollment into another Longwood degree program. Courses taken in the program might count towards a traditional Longwood degree program, subject to Registrar or Transcript Evaluator approval on a case-by-case basis.

Students accepted into the program will have General Education Goal 1 waived. Lower level General Education goals (1-11) will be waived if a student has completed an approved Associate Degree (that is not a Dual Enrollment Associates Degree) prior to entering Longwood. General Education Goal 15 is satisfied upon completion of the internship required in the concentration.

Concentration Areas

Students pursuing a BGS degree are currently limited to the following concentration area:

Logistics: The logistics concentration is centered on the skills needed for procurement, distribution, maintenance, and replacement of material and personnel within both public and private sector organizations. The course curriculum is comprised of ten independent courses that collectively provide the student with skills such as critical thinking, change management, planning and execution, which are fundamental to successful logistics careers in any organization. The logistics concentration provides a strong foundation for future graduate study in logistics and related fields.

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Logistics Concentration

A. General Education Core Requirements/41 credits

Lower Level General Education/30 credits

Upper Level General Education/11 credits

B. Major Requirements/33 credits

Logistics Concentration:

GNST 305 Accounting Integration and Corporate Finance/ 3 credits

GNST 325 Fundamentals of Management/ 3 credits

GNST 345 Geographic Information Systems/ 4 credits

GNST 365 Operations and Maintenance Management/ 3 credits

GNST 385 Management Science and Project Management/ 3 credits

GNST 405 Distribution and Transportation Management/ 3 credits

GNST 425 Change Management/ 3 credits

GNST 445 Logistics Policy and Critical Thinking/ 3 credits

GNST 465 Acquisition Management/ 3 credits

GNST 485 Supply Chain Management/ 3 credits

GNST 492 Internship/ 2 credits (one credit may be used to satisfy General Education Goal 15)

C. General Electives/46 credits

D. Total credits required for Bachelor of General Studies with a concentration in Logistics/120.