# West Chester University BA in Media & Culture **Advisement Sheet**

## (Effective for students entering Fall 2018 & later.)

Indicate all the courses you have taken at WCU or transferred for credit. For completed courses, also list the grades. Mark an asterisk (\*) beside courses you are currently taking.

## Minimum grades for graduation:

- A grade of C or better is required in all major courses. Also, an aggregate GPA of at least 2.5 must be earned across all courses counted toward the major.
- A grade of C or better is required in both WRT courses (120 and 200).
- A grade of C- or better is required in the 202 level of foreign language, or in the 102 level and all culture cluster courses.

I. MDC CURRICULUM (39 cr.)

All majors complete 6 core courses (18 credits):

MDC250	 MDC253	
MDC251	 MDC254	
MDC252	MDC255	

6 elective courses (18 credits) selected from concentration areas. At least 9 credits must be taken from one concentration area:

Course/Grade	 
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1 capstone course (3 credits) selected from either

MDC 494 or 495:

Course/Grade

### **Prerequisites:**

- MDC 250 & MDC 251 are prerequisites to all upper level MDC courses
- MDC 250 & MDC 251 plus one upper level MDC course along with instructor consent required for MDC 494
- MDC 250 & MDC 251 plus at least 15 credits of MDC coursework, instructor consent and minimum GPA of 2.8 required for MDC 495

## Notes:

- MDC 490, 491, & 492 may be taken more than once as long as the topic is different.
- MDC 494 can be taken for up to 15 total credits but only 3 count toward the major

## **II. APPLIED AREA** (18-24 cr.)

Courses to be selected in consultation with an advisor to meet career objectives. Minors in related areas are encouraged; minor courses may count toward the applied area.

Course/Grade	 
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# **III. LANGUAGE/CULTURE** (3-15 cr.)

**Option 1:** Foreign language proficiency through the Intermediate II (202) level.

101	201
102	202

**Option 2:** Foreign language proficiency through the Elementary II (102) level plus three culture cluster courses within the same language area.

101,	102	,	and
Course/Grade			
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### Notes:

- Culture cluster courses must be selected from at least two different prefixes.
- The 201 level of a language may be used as one of the three culture cluster courses.
- Students may demonstrate foreign language proficiency through testing administered by the Dept. of Languages and Cultures

## **IV. GENERAL EDUCATION** (48 cr.)

## A. Academic Foundations (12-18 cr.)

SPK xxx	
WRT 120	
WRT 200	
MAT xxx	
(J) Diverse communities	
(I) Interdisciplinary	

### Notes:

- SPK 208 or SPK 230 can be used to satisfy general education requirements.
- An advanced placement student who places into and passes WRT 200 or above is not required to take WRT 120.
- Any 200 level WRT course will satisfy the WRT 200 requirement.
- Any MAT course at the 103 level or above will satisfy the MAT requirement.
- Incoming first-year students are placed into the appropriate MAT course based on their performance on the online Mathematics. Placement Examination (available on D2L).
- An (I) course can **not** simultaneously satisfy a distributive requirement.
- An (I) course can simultaneously satisfy the diverse communities requirement (J).

# **B. Distributive Requirements** (21 cr.)

### *Humanities* (6 cr.)

Select two courses with two different prefixes, from the current undergraduate catalog list of approved courses: CLS 165, 260, 261, HIS 100, 101, 102, 150, 151, 152, 444; LIT 100, 165, 219, 220; PHI 100, 101, 150, 180, 206, 207, 220, 280, 282

Course/Grade Course/Grade

Behavioral & Social Sciences (6 cr.)
Select two courses with two different prefixes, from
the current undergraduate catalog list of approved
courses: ANT 101, 102, 103; ECO 111, 112, 200;
GEO 101, 103, 200, 214; PSC 100, 101, 213; PSY
100; <b>SOC</b> 200, 204

from

Course/Grade		
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## Science (6 cr.)

Select two courses with two different prefixes, from the current undergraduate catalog list of **approved** courses: **BIO** 100, 110; **CHE** 100, 103, 107, 160; CSC 110, 115, 141; ESS 101, 111, 112, 130, 170; **PHY** 100, 105, 123, 130, 140, 170, 180

Course/Grade	 
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## *Arts* (2 cr.)

Select one course from the current undergraduate catalog list of approved courses: ARH 101, 103, 104, 210, 211; **ART** 106, 111, 113, 228, 231; DAN 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 150, 210; EGE 405; ESP 305, 309; FLM 200, MHL 121, 125, 210, 312, 325; MTC 110; SPA 313; THA 101, 103, 212

### Notes:

- Distributive requirement courses can not simultaneously satisfy the (I) requirement
- Because THA 103 is prerequisite to MDC 320, students wishing to take MDC 320 are encouraged to take THA 103 to meet their Arts requirement.

# C. Writing Emphasis (3-9 cr.)

## Writing Emphasis (W):

Course/Grade	 
Course/Grade	
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### Notes:

- Students with fewer than 40 transfer credits must take 3 (W) courses; those with 40 to 70 transfer credits must take 2 (W) courses; those with over 70 transfer credits must take 1 (W) course.
- At least 1 (W) course must be at the 300/400 level.
- WRT courses do **not** satisfy the writing emphasis requirement
- (W) courses may not be transferred to WCU
- (W) courses may simultaneously satisfy other degree requirements (in gen. ed., major and minor)

# **D. Free Electives:**

Additional courses may be selected as needed to reach the required minimum of 120 adjusted credits.

Course/Grade	 
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Course/Grade	 

## Additional Notes:

- A minimum of 120 adjusted credits is required for graduation.
- At least 30 of the last 45 credits must be earned at WCU. Except for free electives, courses taken to fulfill general education requirements may not be taken Pass/Fail.

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