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The Rock Studies 2 Program at Slippery Rock University is the general education requirements for all academic majors for incoming freshman. Since some majors prescribe specific courses within each category, student should use this guide along with the curriculum guide and the My Rock Audit to make course selections in consultation with their adviser.

THE ROCK (15 CREDITS)

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Code	Title	Hours
SUBJ 139	Foundations of Academic Discovery ^{1,2}	3
ENGL 102	Critical Writing ¹	3
ENGL 104	Critical Reading ¹	3
MATH 117	Quantitative Reasoning ¹	3
Select one of the following:		3
COMM 200	Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice ¹	
PHIL 110	Ethics and Civil Discourse ¹	
POLS 235	Civil Discourse and Democracy ¹	

¹ The Rock courses graded on A, B, C, NC basis.

² Course cannot be taken in first major subject area; course is waived for transfer and readmitted students with 24 or more credits; repeats do not have to be from the same subject area.

INTEGRATED INQUIRY (15 CREDITS) ³

CREATIVE AND AESTHETIC INQUIRY (3 CREDITS)

Code	Title	Hours
ART 130	Visual Art Inquiry	3
DANC 130	Dance: Art and Culture	3
MUSI 130	Exploring Music	3
THEA 130	Art of Theatre	3

HUMANITIES INQUIRY (3 CREDITS)

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 180	Society on the Screen	3
GNDR 180	Gender and Social Justice	3
HIST 180	Spotlight on the Past	3
MODL 180	Introduction to World Cultures	3
PHIL 180	Philosophical Inquiry	3

SOCIAL SCIENCE INQUIRY (3 CREDITS)

Code	Title	Hours
COMM 170	Communicology	3
CRIM 170	Crime: Why Do We Do It?	3
GES 170	Discover Geography	3
HSS 170	Lenses of Catastrophe	3
INDP 170	Making Sense of Our Social World	3
PE 168	Physical Activity and Wellbeing in Society	3

POLS 170	Investigating Politics	3
SOWK 170	Cultural Competence and Social Change	3

NATURAL SCIENCES INQUIRY (3 CREDITS)

Code	Title	Hours
SCI 101	Science of Life	3

PHYSICAL SCIENCES INQUIRY (3 CREDITS)

Code	Title	Hours
SCI 102	Understanding the Physical World	3

³ May take Integrated Inquiry courses in first major subject area; repeats do not have to be from same subject area.

THEMATIC THREADS (12 CREDITS)

THEMATIC THREADS

- Students should declare a thread in consultation with their academic adviser.
- Six credits must be 300-level or above.
- No more than 4 credits from one subject area.
- Specific courses required in first major, regardless of prefix of course, cannot also be used to satisfy thread requirements.
- Any course with same prefix as student's first major cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements, even if it is not a course in the first major.
- Courses can share with second majors / concentrations, minors, and certificates.
- Students may take more than one thread, but courses cannot be shared between threads.
- Citizenship and Social Problems (<https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/citizenship-and-social-problems/>)
- Conservation, Technology and Imagination (<https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/conservation-technology-and-imagination/>)
- Cultural Literacy and Community Building (<https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/cultural-literacy-and-community-building/>)
- Human Diversity and Well-Being (<https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/human-diversity-and-well-being/>)
- Institutions and Human Innovation (<https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/institutions-and-human-innovation/>)
- The United States in Global Context (<https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/the-united-states-in-global-context/>)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

POLICY AND PROCEDURE NOTES:

- Students must earn a total of 42 credits in Rock Studies 2 coursework.
- Students exempted from any Rock Studies 2 category must still earn a total of 42 credits in Rock Studies 2 coursework.

- Students may use Rock Studies Thematic Thread courses to complete a second major, minor, or certificate.
- Pass/No Credit courses may not be used to satisfy any Rock Studies 2 Requirement.
- Students who withdraw from the university and then return are responsible for the Rock Studies 2 requirements in effect the time of their return.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- All undergraduate degree programs require a minimum of 120 credits.
- Thirty of the final 60 credits prior to graduation must be earned at SRU. In addition, individual departments may establish residency requirements for their majors and minors. Students should check with their academic adviser to determine the requirements for the academic program.
- Students must complete a minimum of 42 credits of Rock Studies 2 Coursework.
- All degrees require the completion of a minimum of 48 credit hours of upper division course work defined as any 100-or-200-level course with two or more 3-credit prerequisite courses (including sequential prerequisites, but not including basic competency courses or exams) and any 300- and 400-level courses. At least 24 of the 48 credits must be completed at Slippery Rock University.
- Bachelor of Arts degrees require language proficiency at the 103-class level. Exemption by placement or examination is offered.
- Students must complete at least 45 credits at SRU to be considered for Latin Honors at the point of graduation.
- Students who wish to earn two degrees must complete 150 credits, all requirements for both degrees, and meet the language requirement if one of the degrees is a BA. Students only need to meet the Rock Studies requirement for the first degree/major.

TRANSFER STUDENTS:

- New transfer students follow the Rock Studies 2 Program requirements beginning in Summer 2022.
- Transfer courses valued as a percentage: 2.33, 2.5, etc. may be used to meet requirements, however, students must still earn a total of 42 Rock Studies 2 credits.
- Students transferring 24 or more credits are exempt from Foundations of Academic Discovery.
- Transfer students must still earn a total of 42 credits in the Rock Studies 2 program, unless the criteria of general education completion is met as defined in the Board of Governors Policy 1999-01-A The Student Transfer Policy.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI):

All students must complete a course with the “DEI Diversity, Equity and Inclusion” attribute before they graduate from SRU. The DEI course can come from any department and can be used anywhere in your degree requirements.

BEGINNING ALGEBRA (ESAP 110):

All students must demonstrate competency through appropriate high school coursework or the ALEKS placement test. If competency is not met, students must complete Beginning Algebra and complete 123 credits for graduation.

READMITTED STUDENTS:

- Students readmitted to the university follow the Rock Studies 2 Program requirements.
- Students with at least 24 or more credits are exempt from Foundations of Academic Discovery.