

The Calvin Core (est. 2023)

Foundations, Competencies, and Skills

Develop core competencies and skills. These courses are typically taken in your first two years at Calvin.

- Community and Commitments (2 cr): CORE 100 or HNRS 100
- World Languages 1 (8 cr): Two introductory courses in a non-English language (101 + 102); native speakers & those who have completed 3 years of language in HS with a B or better are exempt.
- Foundations of Christianity 1 (4 cr) REL 121 or 131
- Health and Movement: Personal Fitness (1 cr) PER 101-112
- Health and Movement: Leisure, Sport, Skill (1 cr) PER 130+
- Foundational Writing (4 cr): ENGL 101 or ENGL 100 + 102
- Foundations of Christianity 2 (2 or 4 cr)

Knowledge and Understanding

Gain disciplinary breadth by completing liberal arts & sciences courses totaling at least **26 credits** across at least **five** of the six Knowledge and Understanding categories. Please note the minimum and maximum credit allowances in each category:

- World Languages 2 (0-4 cr): At least 4 cr in an intermediate/advanced course (201 or 301) in your World Languages 1 language or 8 cr at an introductory level (101+102) in a new language
- Arts, Oral Rhetoric, and Visual Rhetoric (2-6 cr): Up to 4 cr in any one discipline
- Mathematical Sciences (0-4 cr)
- Humanities (2-6 cr): Up to 4 cr in any one discipline
- Natural Sciences (0-6 cr): Up to 4 cr in any one discipline; must contain at least one lab
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (2-6 cr): Up to 4 cr in any one discipline

Further details on discipline distinctions can be found at catalog.calvin.edu.

Tagged Courses – tags must be satisfied with courses at Calvin University.

Complete tagged coursework of any credit amount in each of the following categories. These courses sometimes have the capability to satisfy a Knowledge & Understanding requirement and a tag requirement simultaneously.

- Global Regions and Cultures
- Diversity and Difference
- Environmental Sustainability
- Contemporary Challenges and Enduring Questions
 - Typically taken in your last year at Calvin & connected to major program requirements.

For more information on core requirements, visit catalog.calvin.edu and click “Core Curriculum.”