The Calvin Core

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

Knowledge and Understanding (K&U)

Complete at least 26 credits across at least 5 of the 6 categories below.
Please note there are minimum and maximum category credit allowances in parentheses.

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

Disciplines are broader than departments & may include courses from multiple areas, i.e. the Visual Arts discipline includes courses offered by both the Art and Communication departments. Details: catalog.calvin.edu > Core Program

Confused about how far you are in K&U? As a supplement to Workday, track your K&U progress in more detail using the Core Calculator! Find this resource and more at calvin.edu/registrars-office/academics-advising.

Core Tags – tags must be satisfied with courses at Calvin University, not transfer or credit by exam

Complete a tagged course of any credit amount in each of the following categories.
These courses sometimes have the capability to satisfy a *K&U requirement & tag requirement* or a *major requirement & tag requirement* simultaneously, but the ability to "double dip" is not guaranteed.

- ☐ **Diversity and Difference**
- ☐ **Environmental Sustainability**
- ☐ **Global Regions and Cultures**
- ☐ **Rhetoric in Disciplines**
- ☐ **Contemporary Challenges and Enduring Questions**: Typically taken in your last year at Calvin & connected to major program requirements (capstone)

For more info on these requirements and qualifying courses, visit catalog.calvin.edu and click "Core Program."