The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley  
General Education Core Curriculum  
2019-2020

### 010 - Communication (2 courses - 6 hours required; minimum grade of C)

- ENGL 1301 Rhetoric and Composition I or ENGL 1387 (H)
- ENGL 1302 Rhetoric and Composition II or ENGL 1388 (H)
  or
- ENGL 1305 Writing Cultural Studies

### 020 - Mathematics (1 course – 3 hours required; minimum grade of C)

- MATH 1314 or MATH 1414 College Algebra or MATH 1342 Elementary Statistical Methods or MATH 1387(H)
- MATH 1324 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences or MATH 1388 (H)
- MATH 1325 Calculus for Business and Social Sciences or MATH 2412 Pre-Calculus
- MATH 1332 Math for Liberal Arts or MATH 1382 (H)
  or
- MATH 2413 Calculus I or MATH 2487 (H)

### 030 - Life and Physical Sciences (2 courses – 6 hours required; lecture only)

- ASTR 1401 Introductory Astronomy I or ENVR 1402 Introduction to Environmental Science II
- ASTR 1402 Introductory Astronomy II or GEOL 1403 Physical Geology
- BIOL 1406 General Biology I or BIOL 1487 (H) or GEOL 1404 Historical Geology
- BIOL 1407 General Biology II or BIOL 1488 (H)
- BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I or PHYS 1401 General Physics I
- BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II or PHYS 1402 General Physics II
- CHEM 1311 General Chemistry I or CHEM 1309 Chemistry for Engineers or PHYS 2425 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I
- CHEM 1312 General Chemistry II or PHYS 2426 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II
- ENVR 1401 Introduction to Environmental Science I or PSCI 1421 Physical Science I
  or
- PSCI 1422 Physical Science II

### 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture (1 course – 3 hours required)

- ANTH 1354 The Anthropology of Expressive Culture or PHIL 1300 Critical Thinking
- ENGL 2313 Readings in Dramatic Literature or PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy or PHIL 1387 (H)
- ENGL 2321 Introduction to British Literature or PHIL 1305 Introduction to Latin American Philosophy
- ENGL 2326 Introduction to American Literature or PHIL 1306 Introduction to Asian Philosophy
- ENGL 2331 Introduction to World Literature or PHIL 1310 Ethics, Happiness, and the Good Life
- ENGL 2341 Introduction to Literature or PHIL 1312 Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy
- ENGL 2351 Introduction to Mexican American Literature or PHIL 1366 Philosophy and History of Science and Technology
- ENGL 2387 Readings in World Literature I (H) or PHIL 2306 Introduction to Ethics
- ENGL 2388 Readings in World Literature II (H) or PHIL 2322 Ethics, Health, and Culture
- FREN 2382 Introduction to French Literature or PHIL 2326 Ethics, Technology, and Society
- HIST 2321 World History I or PHIL 2351 Religious Diversity in the Global Community
- HIST 2322 World History II or SPAN 2320 Latino Culture & Civilization
- MASC 2301 Introduction to Mexican-American Studies or SPAN 2330 Intro to Spanish & Latin American Literature
- MUSI 1309 World Music Cultures

### 050 - Creative Arts (1 course – 3 hours required)

- ARTS 1301 Art Appreciation or MUSI 1306 Music Appreciation
- ARTS 1303 Art History I or MUSI 1308 Music History and Literature I
- ARTS 1304 Art History II or MUSI 1310 History of Rock
- DANC 2323 Dance Appreciation or PHIL 1330 Philosophy, Art, and Film
- ENGL/FILM 2312 History of Film as Visual Art or THTF 1310 Theatre Appreciation
- ENGL 2314 Appreciation and Analysis of Literature or THTF 2366 Cinema Appreciation
- FREN 2323 Introduction to French Cinema in English

1 (H) designates Honors sections of courses.
060 - American History (2 courses – 6 hours required)

HIST 1301 U.S. History I or HIST 1387 (H)  
or  
HIST/MASC 2327 Mexican American History I
HIST 1302 U.S. History II or HIST 1388 (H)  
or  
HIST/MASC 2328 Mexican American History II

070 - Government/Political Science (2 courses – 6 hours required)

POLS 2305 U.S. Federal Govt & Politics or POLS 2385(H)  
POLS 2306 Texas Government & Politics or POLS 2386 (H)

080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences (1 course – 3 hours required)

ANTH 1324 Human Evolution  
ENGL 2315 Humans and Language
ANTH 2302 Introduction to Archaeology  
PHIL 1362 Race, Sexuality, and Class
ANTH 2351 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology  
PSYC 2301 General Psychology
ECON 1301 Introduction to Economics  
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
ECON 2301 Principles of Macroeconomics

090 - Integrative/Experiential Learning Option (6 hours required)

1. Applied Communication and Literacies (maximum 3 hours)
   COMM 1311 Introduction to Communication  
   COMM 1315 Public Speaking

2. Humanities (maximum 4 hours)
   PHIL 1102 Work and Human Flourishing
   Students may also select an additional three-hour course from the Language, Philosophy, and Culture area to complete the six required hours in the (090) Component Area Option.

3. Leadership (maximum 1 hour)
   MGMT 1101 Leadership and Career Lab

4. Science Labs (maximum 3 hours)
   Students may use up to 3 hours from the lab component of any of the science courses listed in the Life & Physical Sciences component area (030) for the Integrative/Experiential Learning component area. Courses that have a separate lab are also listed below.

   ASTR 1401 Introductory Astronomy I Lab  
   ASTR 1402 Introductory Astronomy II Lab  
   BIOL 1406 General Biology I or BIOL 1487 (H) Lab  
   BIOL 1407 General Biology II or BIOL 1488 (H) Lab  
   BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I Lab  
   BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II Lab  
   CHEM 1109 Chemistry for Engineers Lab  
   CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I Lab  
   CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II Lab  
   CHEM 2401 Introductory Chemistry I Lab  
   CHEM 2402 Introductory Chemistry II Lab  
   ENVR 1401 Introduction to Environmental Science I Lab  
   ENVR 1402 Introduction to Environmental Science II Lab  
   GEOL 1403 Physical Geology Lab  
   GEOL 1404 Historical Geology Lab  
   PHYS 1401 General Physics I Lab  
   PHYS 1402 General Physics II Lab  
   PHYS 2425 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I Lab  
   PHYS 2426 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II Lab  
   PSCI 1421 Physical Science I Lab  
   PSCI 1422 Physical Science II Lab

5. Interdisciplinary (maximum 4 hours)
   ANTH 2311 Global Health  
   INDS 2390 Humanities in the World
   ENST 1301 Introduction to Environmental Studies  
   INDS 2190 Humanities and Service Learning
   HONR 2388 Honors Humanities II (H)  
   QUMT 2398 Decision Analytics

6. Technologies (maximum 3 hours)
   CSCI 1380 Computer Science I

7. Language Diversity & Writing (maximum 4 hours)
   WRLS 1100 Language Exploration  
   WRLS 2301 Multilingual Writing
   SPAN 2321 Spanish in the United States

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