

# Requirements Overview

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## University Requirements:

- International Perspectives. 3 crs from list ([www.registrar.iastate.edu/students/div-ip-guide/IntlPerspectives-current](http://www.registrar.iastate.edu/students/div-ip-guide/IntlPerspectives-current)).
- US Diversity. 3 crs from list ([www.registrar.iastate.edu/students/div-ip-guide/usdiversity-courses](http://www.registrar.iastate.edu/students/div-ip-guide/usdiversity-courses)).
- ISUComm Foundation requirement: English 150 and 250.
- Library 160.
- *For a complete list of university requirements, please visit <http://catalog.iastate.edu/collegescurricula/>.*

## College Requirements:

- Communications Proficiency. 6 credits of English Composition with a C or better, 3 credits of Speech Fundamentals with a C or better.
- Humanities. 3 crs from list (<http://www.cals.iastate.edu/student-services/humanities>).\*
- Social Sciences. 3 crs from list (<http://www.cals.iastate.edu/student-services/social-sciences>).\*
- Ethics. 3 crs from list (<http://www.cals.iastate.edu/student-services/ethics>).\*
- Life Sciences. Biol 101/211/212/251 AND 3 crs from list (<http://www.cals.iastate.edu/student-services/life-science>).\*
- 3 credits of math (**not** math 105, 106, 195, or 196).
- 3 credits of statistics.
- 5 credits of physical science.
- The residency requirement: 18 credits from departments in our college, 12 of which have to be 300-level and above.
- *For more information on the CALS college requirements, please visit <http://catalog.iastate.edu/collegeofagricultureandlifesciences/#corecurriculumtext>.*

## Departmental Requirements:

- Each major has a set of requirements in addition to the university and college requirements. Requirements for each individual major or minor can be found in the University catalog at [catalog.iastate.edu/collegescurricula/#programsmaiorstext](http://catalog.iastate.edu/collegescurricula/#programsmaiorstext).

The Communication / Library area is far and away the most complex area of the audit for most departments due to the way these three types of requirements interact. A typical Comm / Lib area looks like this:

1. Engl 150 & 250. A university requirement, but these courses can also be used to meet the CALS communications proficiency requirement IF the student gets a C or better in them.
2. Speech. Can be used for the CALS communications proficiency requirement IF the student gets a C or better.
3. Engl 300+. A departmental requirement that can also be used to meet the CALS communications proficiency requirement IF the course is on the approved list and the student gets a C or better. It can also be used to meet the university's ISUComm Foundation requirement if approved by the English department.
4. Library 160. A university requirement.

Fun, isn't it? :-)

Sometimes courses can be used to satisfy more than one of these requirements. This is known as multiple-counting, and the guidelines can be found on our website:

<http://www.cals.iastate.edu/files/multiple-counting-courses-in-cals.pdf>. *Note that some departments place additional restrictions on multiple-counting.*

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\* Note that some majors use a more restrictive list.