

Success With General Education

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As a junior who has not yet completed the general education requirements, I could easily be against having such requirements in the first place. However, students aren't supposed to knock out these requirements in their first two years of college anyway.

After speaking with Dr. Winterhoff in the general education office, located in 115 Joyner, I learned that general education courses are

intended to be integrated into your whole college experience. Winterhoff, the director of the general education program at Meredith, says, "It is interdisciplinary learning. [Students] are intended to expand knowledge in different areas."

The general education program was developed five to six years ago when such programs were undergoing changes at other institutions of higher learning. A committee worked for two years to come up with

the structure that we have now, and the plan ultimately won a majority vote from the entire faculty.

The program is supposed to help students have links to other sections of study. In fact, as evidence of the popularity and demand for graduates with a liberal arts education and perspective, Microsoft magnate Bill Gates hires more people with a liberal arts background than those with a technical background.

The general education

requirements are divided into three different sections: core curriculum, fields of knowledge, and across-the-curriculum "thread" courses. The core curriculum is made up of the CORE classes, two English courses, one history course, one introductory religion course, and two social science courses, which include both psychology and sociology. The "fields of knowledge" requirement includes two math courses, a science with a lab, any art class, and four health and physical

education classes.

Every curriculum starts out with the most important learning outcomes for all students. This year the general education program is undergoing review. Student input is greatly desired. For information on how to participate in this review contact the student representative, Kristie Herrmann at herrmkri@meredith.edu. For more information on the general education program, contact Dr. Winterhoff at winterhoff@meredith.edu.

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...and all the awesome members

HAPPY 'HUSKIN TO ALL!--Student Activities

Upcoming Cornhuskin' Schedule

Today:

Can Art 4 p.m.

Class Practices 6-9 p.m.

Thursday:

Class Practices 5-9 p.m.

FRIDAY:

Front Drive Parade 3:30 p.m.

Cornhuskin' Picnic 4:30 p.m.

CORNHUSKIN' 6 p.m.-11 p.m.

Cornhuskin' After Party 11 p.m.

Good Luck to all from the staff
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