

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate Degrees and Degree Requirements

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UNC Greensboro offers six baccalaureate degrees:

- B.A. Bachelor of Arts
- B.F.A. Bachelor of Fine Arts
- B.M. Bachelor of Music
- B.S. Bachelor of Science
- B.S.N. Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- B.S.W. Bachelor of Social Work

Requirements for a Bachelor's Degree

A bachelor's degree from UNC Greensboro is awarded to a student who has met the following requirements:

1. Successful completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours, distributed as follows:
 - a. General Education Program—Minerva's Academic Curriculum (MAC): 33–34 credits
 - b. Additional College/School requirements
 - c. Major subject and related areas: as required by program
 - d. Electives: as required by program

Total minimum credits: 120
2. A grade point average on the credits attempted of not less than 2.0
3. At least 36 credits of courses at the 300 course level or above
4. At least 31 credits in residence at UNC Greensboro, 12 of which must be in the major field and nine (9) of which must be in the minor if a minor is sought

The College of Arts and Sciences and each of the five professional academic units—Joseph M. Bryan School of Business and Economics; School of Education; School of Health and Human Sciences; School of Nursing; and the College of Visual and Performing Arts—have structured their individual degree programs to comply with this all-university degree framework.

Average Time To Graduation

Many factors affect both the length of time and the number of credit hours an individual student will require to complete the baccalaureate degree. At UNC Greensboro the median number of months to graduation for full time students is 46. The median number of credit hours completed is 125.

Full time undergraduate students are expected to complete at least 12 credits per semester. Failure to complete an average of 15 credits per semester may lengthen the student's time to graduation. Some majors do require formal admission beyond that required for admission to the University in general.

Students should meet with their academic advisors regularly to plan their academic schedules. To graduate, students must complete specific University requirements as well as requirements within the major. Students who change majors may find that additional requirements must be fulfilled. Changing majors excessively, or after the third or fourth semester of study, may also lengthen the time to graduation.

Criteria for admission to a specific major (outlined in this Bulletin) and continuation in that major may include a University grade point average exceeding that required for continuation within the University as a whole. Students considering such majors should become familiar with the guidelines, and work with an academic advisor as soon as possible to ensure that they meet the criteria.

Changes In Degree Requirements And Other Regulations

The University reserves the right to make changes as required in course offerings, curricula, academic policies, and other rules and regulations affecting students, to be effective whenever determined by the University. These changes will govern current and formerly enrolled students. Enrollment of all students is subject to these conditions.

Basic Technology Competencies

UNC Greensboro recognizes that the ability to utilize appropriate technologies is an essential proficiency for a university graduate in the twenty-first century. The university has established a list of Basic Technology Competencies in the categories of computer operation; setup; maintenance and troubleshooting; word processing; spreadsheet/graphing; library research; networking; telecommunication; use of Internet/Web; media communications; and multimedia integration. The list of these competencies is available as an on-line resource, and provides several means available to UNC Greensboro students for acquiring each competency, with options that include campus workshops, computer lab staff support, and websites. Go to UNC Greensboro Basic Technology Competencies to view and access these resources.

UNC Greensboro students are expected to use a variety of these basic technology competencies and additional competencies relevant to their fields of study. Incoming students should review the basic competencies and work to correct any deficiencies.

Information and Research Skills Competencies

In addition to basic technology skills, information literacy, which is the acquisition of information skills and research competencies, is an important Learning Goal of the General Education Program. Familiarity with information resources is essential in acquiring such skills, and these skills should be integrated into the academic curriculum. To assist students in gaining these skills, UNC Greensboro's university libraries offers two levels of information literacy instruction to undergraduates:

1. First-Year Undergraduates—students achieve orientation to research skills by completing the Library's Web tutorial and/or attending an instructional session, led by a librarian, that is integrated into one of their courses.
2. Upper Division Undergraduates—students who have not achieved the objectives of library instruction for first-year students may use the Library's Web tutorials designed for this purpose. In addition, more advanced skills may be gained through sessions that relate directly to course assignments and are arranged by teaching faculty for specific classes. Librarians tailor instruction to specific disciplines and assignments and also meet with students to offer individual assistance.

See the following for additional information: http://library.uncg.edu/info/help/classes_and_tours.aspx and <http://library.uncg.edu/research/tutorials/>

Student Outcomes Assessments

UNC Greensboro requires students to participate in student outcomes assessments from time to time prior to their graduation. Most of these activities consist of in-class assessments. However, students may also be invited to complete tests measuring other learning outcomes such as information literacy or science. These tests may occur outside of the classroom and at different times in a student's career. Scores on these tests are not used to evaluate students on an individual basis, but are used to evaluate learning across the university's programs. Participation is expected.