



SCHOOL OF
ARTS AND SCIENCES
MANHATTANVILLE COLLEGE®

**General Requirements of the Manhattanville
Undergraduate Degree**
Students Entering Fall 2016 and Later

To qualify for a Bachelor's degree and be eligible for participation in the College's commencement ceremony, undergraduate students must complete all of the following degree requirements:

- ♦ Completion of the First Year Program requirement (The First-Year Program is a graduation requirement for all undergraduate students entering the College with fewer than 30 approved transfer credits. Those entering with 30 or more approved credits are exempt).
Required courses for First Year Program Requirement:
 - ♦ First Year Seminar (3 credits; all seminar courses will fulfill one or more General Education capability)
 - ♦ First-Year Writing (6 credits; these credits will also count toward the Written Communication capability)
- ♦ Completion of the Four Pillars of the Manhattanville General Education Program, ***INQUIRY***, in place for **ALL** students regardless of major or program.
- ♦ Completion of a major (usually with course grades of C or better, though some majors accept C- or higher)
- ♦ A **minimum** of **90 Liberal Arts** Credits for a BA degree
 - ♦ A minimum of 60 Liberal Arts Credits for a BS degree
 - ♦ A minimum of 30 Liberal Arts Credits for a BFA OR BMus degree
- ♦ Completion of a **minimum** of 120 credits with an overall cumulative grade point average of C (2.0) or higher.

Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the student to make certain that all requirements for degree completion and graduation are met.

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Manhattanville General Education Curriculum

INQUIRY

INQUIRY: A seeking or request for truth, information or knowledge

Manhattanville College's General Education Program, **INQUIRY**, consists of four pillars: **INVESTIGATOR; INVENTOR; INTERNATIONAL CITIZEN; INTERPRETER**. These pillars enable students to obtain the tools necessary for navigating the complexities of life in today's global society. This unique blend of liberal arts and sciences, founded upon the College's historic core values of critical inquiry, social action and engagement, prepares students for success in the modern workplace.

INVESTIGATOR

Students learn to apply the skills of scientific, mathematical, humanistic, and social science reasoning to articulate clear, precise, and well-organized ideas. This pillar enables students to use the knowledge they have attained to interpret arguments, reason persuasively, and draw conclusions.

- Scientific Reasoning** (6 credits)
- Mathematical Reasoning** (6 credits)
- Humanistic Reasoning** (6 credits)
- Social Scientific Reasoning** (6 credits)

INVENTOR

Students are encouraged to produce creative works that are personal in nature, while drawing upon historical and contemporary references. Manhattanville **INVENTORS** are able to articulate the relationship between works produced in a particular culture or time, and the religious, political or socio-economic circumstances of their production.

- Creative and Aesthetic** (6 credits; Min. 3 cr.: *Applied* coursework; can include 3 cr. *Analysis* coursework)

INTERNATIONAL CITIZEN

Each student takes the opportunity to reflect on his or her own background, values, goals and achievements in the context of the diverse community of Manhattanville, taking special advantage of the wide range of applied liberal learning experiences the College has to offer. The **INTERNATIONAL CITIZEN** is able to establish connections with others and recognize his or her responsibilities to the broader community.

Global Systems and Civilizations:

- a.) U.S. Diversities (3 credits)
- b.) West (outside the U.S.) (3 credits)
- c.) Africa, Asia, and Middle East (3 credits)

Second Language (minimum of 6 introductory-level credits in one language or demonstration of equivalent competency)

Applied Liberal Learning (1 credit)

INTERPRETER

Students perfect their competencies in written and oral communication, as well as proficiency in digital literacy—skills essential for success in every profession. Above all, as **INTERPRETER**, students learn to recognize the importance of interpretation in the ongoing quest to understand their place in the world.

Written Communication (9 credits; this may include First Year Writing courses)

Oral Communication (3 credits)

Digital Literacy (3 credits)

† In order for the student to count a course toward each General Education capability, the student must earn a minimum final grade of C- or higher.

NOTE: Each course may fulfill up to three General Education requirements.