

# ORGANIZATION BEHAVIOR, BSGS

## Curriculum

The bachelor's degree requirements are 45 units total and include distribution, writing, and elective courses, and the major requirements.

### Organization Behavior Major Requirements

Course	Title
<b>Communication Foundation</b>	
COMM_ST 205-DL	Theories of Persuasion
COMM_ST 250-DL	Team Leadership and Decision Making
COMM_ST 360-DL	Theories of Organizational Communication
ENGLISH 205-CN or ENGLISH 205-DL	Intermediate Composition
<b>Organization Behavior</b>	
ORG_BEH 301-DL	Organization Behavior
ORG_BEH 307-CN	Leadership Principles and Practices
ORG_BEH 310-DL	Organizational Change
PSYCH 213-DL	Social Psychology
SOCIOLOGY 302-DL	Sociology of Organizations
<b>Analytical Foundation</b>	
ACCOUNT 201-DL	Introduction to Financial Accounting
FINANCE 202-DL	Introduction to Finance
SOCIOLOGY 226-DL	Sociological Analysis
STAT 202-DL	Introduction to Statistics and Data Science

Three 300-level courses in organization behavior or communication studies, focused on organization behavior (courses in other disciplines may satisfy this requirement, with consent of Assistant Dean)

## Degree Requirements

The bachelor of science in general studies (BSGS) degree is conferred by the Judd A. and Marjorie Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences (<https://www.weinberg.northwestern.edu/>).

### Bachelor of Science in General Studies

To earn the BSGS degree, students must complete 45 units, including a writing requirement, distribution requirements, a major, and electives. Minors are optional.

Courses	Units Earned
English 111 or 205 and 113	2
Humanities	4
Science	4
Social Sciences	4
Major Requirements	10-20
Electives	Up to 21
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>

### About the Writing Requirement

The writing requirement ensures that students have the skills necessary to meet the rigorous writing demands of subsequent SPS courses in all majors and disciplines. The expository writing courses provide the tools to meet the demands of advanced academic writing; the courses may not be audited or taken on a pass/no credit basis.

Transfer and performance-based admission students must fulfill the writing requirement through one of two options:

#### Option 1: Complete an English composition course at SPS.

Demonstrate successful completion of English 111 or 205. A grade of C or higher is required.

#### Option 2: Successfully appeal the writing requirement via the Student Affairs Petition Form (<https://sps.northwestern.edu/main/login.php>).

Students who believe they have the writing skills necessary for university-level research and analytical papers may appeal the SPS writing requirement.

A successful appeal does not result in credit for the writing course. Students must complete another course in its place according to the needs and guidelines of their program. Writing will be evaluated for standards of good expository writing, including: a fully developed thesis; sound logic and adequate evidence in support of the thesis; effective organization, coherent structure and an overall unity; correct grammar, punctuation, and spelling.

Appeal materials must be submitted by the quarter deadline (<https://sps.northwestern.edu/part-time-undergraduate/important-dates.php>) before entry.

### About the Distribution Requirements

Students complete course work in the humanities, sciences, and social sciences to obtain a broad experience in the liberal arts. Courses that satisfy these distribution requirements include the following areas:

#### Humanities

Art history, classics, comparative literary studies, English literature, languages other than English (up to two units), history, humanities (HUM), music history, philosophy, religion, and some courses in black studies, languages with literature, gender studies, performance studies, radio/television/film, and theatre.

#### Sciences

Astronomy, biological sciences, chemistry, computer information systems, earth and planetary sciences, engineering, mathematics, physics and some courses in anthropology, communication sciences and disorders, psychology, radio/television/film, and statistics.

#### Social Sciences

Anthropology, economics, history, linguistics, political science, sociology, and some courses in black studies, communication sciences and disorders, gender studies, psychology, and statistics.