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PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE 2025 – 2026

Humanities and Social Science Diploma

The purpose of this program planning guide is to help students track their progress within their chosen program. The information in this planning guide is accurate at the time of printing and is subject to change without notice. It is the students' responsibility to ensure the accuracy of their program and course choice. Students should use the program planning guide dated the year in which they began the program. This guide should be used in conjunction with the official version of the Medicine Hat College Calendar, and calendars of appropriate transfer institutions, which are the final authorities regarding program requirements.

Year One

	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Communications			
Two of:	<u>Course 1:</u>		
COMM 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level			
CPSC 2xx [4 CR] (lec/lab or lec/lab/tu): Any 200 level	Course 2:		
DRAM 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec/lab): Any 200 level			
ECON 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level			
ENGL 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level			
FILM 201 [3 CR] (lec): An Introduction to the Study of Film			
FREN 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec/lab): Any 200 level			
GNED 220 [3 CR] (lec): Text and Ideas			
LING 201 [3 CR] (lec): Introduction to Linguistics I			
ENGL 111* [3 CR] (lec): Technical Communications			
	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Qualitative Reasoning and Scientific Method:			
Two of:	<u>Course 1:</u>		
ANTH 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level			
ARKY 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 200 level	Course 2:		
BIOL 2xx** [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 200 level			
BOTA 205 [4 CR] (lec/lab): Introduction to Botany			
CHEM 2xx** [4 CR] (lec/lab): Any 200 level			
ECON 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level			
EREC 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 200-level			
GEOG 201 [4 CR] (lec/lab): The Physical Environment			
GNED 210 [3 CR] (lec): Scientific and Mathematical Literacy for the Modern World			
KNES 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 200 level			
MATH 2xx** [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level			
PHIL 275 [3 CR] (lec/tu): Reason and Argument			
PHIL 279 [3 CR] (lec/tu): Logic I			
PSYC 200 [3 CR] (lec): Introduction to Psychology I: Natural Science			
PHYS 2xx** [4 CR] (lec/lab/tu): Any 200 level			
STAT 2xx** [4 CR] (lec/lab): Any 200 level			

		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Critical Inquiry and Aesthetic Analysis				
Two of:	Course 1:			
ARHI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
BIOL 255 [4 CR] (lec/lab): Ecology	Course 2:			
ECON 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
ENGL 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
FILM 201 [3 CR] (lec): An Introduction to the Study of Film				
GNED 220 [3 CR] (lec): Text and Ideas				
GNED 221 [3 CR] (lec): Aesthetic Experience & Ideas				
PHIL 2xx [3 CR] (lec or lec/tu): Any 200 level				
POLI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
RELI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
SOCI 225** [3 CR] (lec): Criminology				
		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Historical and Political Analysis				
<u>Two of:</u>	Course 1:			
ANTH 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
HIST 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level	Course 2:			
POLI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
SOCI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200-level				
		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Cultural, Social, and Behavioural Analysis	_			
<u>Two of:</u>	Course 1:			
ANTH 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
ARKY 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 200 level	Course 2:			
ECON 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
GEOG 203 [4 CR] (lec/lab): The Human Environment				
GNED 230 [3 CR] (lec): Citizenship Without Borders				
GNED 234 [3 CR] (lec): Communities and Societies				
KNES 2xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 200 level				
LING 203** [3 CR] (lec): Introduction to Linguistics II				
POLI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200 level				
PSYC 201 [3 CR] (lec): Introduction to Psychology II: Social Science				
SOCI 2xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 200-level				

* ENGL 111 fulfills diploma requirements but does not meet university transfer standards.

Year Two

	COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Communication Skills			
One of:	Course 1:		
DRAM 3xx** [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 300-level			
ENGL 3xx** [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level			
FREN 3xx** [3 CR] (lec/tu): Any 300-level			
GEOG 3xx** [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 300-level			
PHIL 3xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level			

		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Cultural Foundations	0 1			
One of:	Course 1:			
ANTH 3xx ^{**} [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level ARHI 3xx ^{**} [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level				
ARKY 3xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lab): Any 300-level				
HIST 3xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level				
GEOG 3xx** [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 300-level				
GNST 300** [3 CR] (lec): Gender Studies				
		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Social and Behavioural Sciences				
One of:	Course 1:			
ANTH 3xx** [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level				
ARKY 3xx [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lab): Any 300-level				
PSYC 3xx ^{**} [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 300-level				
SOCI 3xx** [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 300-level				
		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Humanities				
Three of:	Course 1:			
DRAM 3xx or 4xx ^{**} [3 or 4 CR] (lec or lec/lab): Any 300-level or 400-level				
ENGL 3xx ^{**} [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level				
HIST 3xx [3 CR] (lec): Any 300-level	Course 2:			
PHIL 3xx [3 CR] (lec): <i>Any 300-level</i>				
	Course 3:			
		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Electives				
Four of:	Course 1:			
Any of the other 300- or 400-level University Transfer courses listed above				
	Course 2:			
	Course 3:			
	Course 4:			
		COURSE	DATE	GRADE
Work Placement (optional):				
HSSW 300 [6 CR] (pr): Work Integrated Learning Placement				
Prerequisite: the completion of a minimum of 30 credits in the				
diploma.				

**These courses have prerequisite requirements. Please check the Academic Calendar.

Program Notes

- No single course can satisfy more than one of the above requirements.
- Two or more unique courses in one single discipline (ENGL, HIST, PHIL, etc.) can be used towards one category requirement. For example, ENGL 252 and ENGL 203 can meet the 'Communications Two of' requirement for Year One.
- Course offerings can change from year to year. Not every discipline (ARKY, DRAM, ANTH, etc.) at every level (2XX, 3XX, etc.) will be offered each year.
- To help ensure a smoother completion of your second year, it is recommended to take SOCI 201, one of PSYC 200 or 201, and two of ENGL 252, 202, or 203 during your first year, as these courses are important prerequisites.
- For more information or assistance with your program, please contact the Academic Advising office at (403) 529-3819.

Continuation Requirements:

• Generally, prerequisite grades must be C- (1.7) or higher; however, some classes require a higher grade. Check the course descriptions in Academic Calendar for individual courses.

Graduation Requirements:

To successfully complete the Humanities and Social Sciences Diploma, you must:

- Attain a minimum pass mark of C- (1.7) in all courses.
- Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all courses.

Transfer

Students are encouraged to consult Academic calendars of their intended transfer institution regarding admission requirements and course selection. A Medicine Hat College Academic Advisor or a University Academic Advisor can help students interpret and apply these requirements. Students are responsible for making informed course choices as part of their program planning. Students may access the Transfer Alberta Search Database online to determine Medicine Hat College course equivalents.