

GDR Worksheet

Graduation requirements for students who, following high school graduation, began or resumed higher education prior to summer 1989 and have maintained continuous enrollment (without a two-year break). Students who have more than a two-year break in enrollment must complete the requirements in effect at UMBC at the time of re-admission to higher education.

I. Graduation Requirements:

- A. Completion of a minimum of 120 academic credits - not including institutional credits

The final 30 credits toward the degree must be completed at UMBC.

- B. A minimum cumulative UMBC grade point average of 2.0

- C. One course in writing - English 100 or its equivalent: _____

- D. Two activity courses in physical education _____ (unless 30 or older before the student's first day of classes at UMBC or a military veteran)

This P.E. credit does not count toward the 120 credits required for graduation.

- E. Completion of UMBC's General Distribution Requirements (GDRs), outlined below

- F. Forty-five credits of upper-level courses numbered at the 300 or 400 level

- G. Completion of an academic major offered by UMBC

II. General Distribution Requirements (GDRs)

Three of the four areas listed below must be completed as specified.

A. Arts/Humanities

Three courses with "H" designations-two from one academic discipline and one from another

Ancient studies and archaeology are considered the same discipline.

1a. _____

1b. _____

2. _____

B. Social Science

Three courses with "S" designations-two from one academic discipline and one from another

Sociology and anthropology are considered the same discipline.

1a. _____

1b. _____

2. _____

C. Mathematics/Science

Three courses with "M" designations-two from one academic discipline and one from another

Mathematics, statistics, information systems and computer science are considered the same discipline. ("Science" is not considered a discipline; biology, chemistry, etc. are disciplines.)

1a. _____

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D. Language

Completion of a foreign language (courses with the "L" designation), or demonstrated proficiency, through the 202 level

_____ 101

_____ 102

_____ 201

_____ 202

III. Additional Policies Concerning GDRs

A. GDR designations are indicated in the Schedule of Classes each semester but not in the current Undergraduate Catalog.

B. English composition and all GDR courses must be completed with a "C" or better. Courses taken on a P /F basis may not be used toward GDRs.

C. A cross-listed course is considered as any one of its assigned disciplines, no matter under which departmental designation the course is taken.

D. Credit earned through AP, 18 and CLEP may be used toward GDRs when equivalent to a UMBC GDR course. Departmental credit by exam does not apply toward GDRs.

E. Students who began higher education (following high school graduation) prior to fall 1986 may use courses with grades of "D" toward fulfillment of the GDRs (but not toward the English Composition requirement).

F. Students who began higher education (following high school graduation) prior to fall 1978 are not required to complete English composition.

G. Students who began higher education (following high school graduation) prior to January 1975 are not required to complete 45 credits of upper-level course work. However, students must complete any upper-level requirement dictated by their major.