

Department of Allied Health Sciences

Allied Health Science major

Student Guide to completing program requirements and the Final Plan of Study

1) **General Information and interpreting the Degree Advisement Report:**

- a. The following are grade designations on the degree advisement report:
 - i. EN = Enrolled; taken at Uconn and earned a grade.
 - ii. T = Transfer; carry no GPA calculated credits. They do however count toward graduation.
 - iii. IP = In Progress; currently in progress or planned for upcoming semester.
 - iv. NDEG = Non degree; they are not included on the matriculated transcript and cannot be used toward graduation requirements.
 - v. IT = Internal transfer; these courses are NDEG courses that have been converted to matriculated status. They count toward the final plan of study and calculate into the GPA.
 - vi. TE = Test credits; earned credits through testing.
- b. If the Transcript indicates "Transfer Credit from University of Connecticut" that means that the courses were taken as non-degree at Uconn or through Early College Experience (ECE) (and have converted to degree bearing courses) or are earned credit as Advanced Placement (AP).

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- c. Students must have a minimum of 120 credits to graduate.
- d. Required courses CANNOT be waived. (These include all but the free electives).
- e. Substitution for a required course must be approved and on the degree advisement report prior to the submission of the final plan of study. Please contact your advisor early if you want to consider a substitution request (DO NOT wait till your last semester; it may not be approved and then will impact your graduation). Completion of substitution requests are at the discretion of the advisor; not the student.

2) **Graduation and completion of final plan of study:**

- a. Final plan of study: Students must first apply to graduate before the final plan of study submission link is activated. Students may access both from their student center page in PS.
- b. Students are responsible to ensure that minor, dual degree or additional degree forms are complete and submitted to the Degree Auditors Office. AHS does not sign off on other plans of study.

3) General education:

- a. In some cases, program requirements also meet general education requirements. Students may use the course to satisfy both requirements.
- b. General education courses under CA-1, CA-2 and CA-3 must be from 6 different academic units (e.g. both BIOL 1107 and 1108 cannot be listed in the CA-3).
- c. Students may use a “W”-coded course for both the “W” requirement and other requirements.
- d. Some CA-4 courses also meet other content area requirements (e.g. ANTH 1000 is both a CA-2 and a CA-4 Int course). Students may “double dip” a CA-4 course only once. While this satisfies both categories, students only get the credit once for the course. Students may need to take an elective to make up these credits.

4) Science Electives: Any level course: they do not need to be passed with a grade of C or better. **PeopleSoft will list all courses with designated subject codes in this category. However, not all courses listed may count.**

- a. Course that CANNOT be used to meet this requirement:
 - i. Any one (1) credit course regardless of the subject code.
 - ii. Science-based courses used to meet program requirements such as CHEM 1122, 1124Q, 1125Q, 1127Q, 1128Q. However, some students take both CHEM 1122 and 1124Q or 1127Q; or 1124Q and 1127Q, etc. In cases where there are multiple chemistry courses, you can use the one not used to satisfy the program requirement.
 - iii. BIOL 1107 or BIOL 1102
 - iv. NUSC 1165 (if under the Standard Plan or Public Health and Health Promotion concentration)
 - v. Any PHYS course used to meet requirements for the Health Sciences concentration.
- b. Course that CAN be used to meet this requirement:
 - i. 2-credit or more science-based course not used to satisfy other program requirements; courses not on the approved list below must be approved by the advisor and department head in order to satisfy this category. Students are advised to consult with their advisor regarding science elective courses prior to course registration.
 - ii. 2000-level or above science-based course NOT used to meet the 36-credit major (AH major and related cognate) requirements.
 - iii. NUSC 1165 (if under the Health Sciences concentration).

Science electives do not have to be lab sciences but they must be 2 or more credits and be on the approved list.

Departmental Designations: Animal Science (ANSC), Biology (BIOL), Chemistry (CHEM), Molecular and Cell Biology (MCB), Pathobiology (PVS), Physics (PHYS), Physiology and Neurobiology (PNB)

Specific Course designations: Pharmacy (PHAR): 1001, Nursing (NURS): 1110, Nutritional Science (NUSC): 1645, 1165, 2200, 3235, 3233, 4236, 2241, 4250

Course that CANNOT be used: Biology (BIOL): 1102, 1107

5) Major Requirements: 36-credit Group

- a. Courses used to meet the 36-credit requirements must be approved by the advisor and department head and must be:
 - i. Numbered 2000-level or above
 - ii. Include a minimum of 30 credits completed at the University of Connecticut

- iii. Approved by the student's advisor and department head
 - iv. Include coursework from two or more departments
 - v. Courses cannot be taken on pass/fail
 - vi. Courses must be passed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better
 - vii. Courses may be repeated once for a total of two times
 - viii. Cannot include more than 6 credits (combined) of internship, independent study, or foreign study taken at the University of Connecticut.
 - ix. Cannot include more than 8 credits of courses used to satisfy requirements for a minor.
- b. You cannot use the same course for both the science elective AND the group A major or group B related cognate requirement.
 - c. You cannot use the same course for both the group A major and group B related cognate requirement.
 - d. If you have a substitution for a required course (e.g. transfer course), the substitution must be approved prior to the submission of the final plan of study and be on the degree advisement report.
 - e. A total of 6 credits of international study, independent study and internship courses can be used in group B but must be approved with a substitution form. They do not automatically appear in this section since dept approval is required to use it in this category.
 - f. Students can only overlap a minor with the Group B category by a maximum of 8 credits.

6) Group -A Major requirements: Must be passed with a grade of C or better. May only take a total of 2 times.

- a. Group-A courses must be from the College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources (CAHNR). College-level graduation requirements mandate that a minimum of 15 credits within the 36-credit major requirement group must be from the college. In AHS, we have 18 credits minimum. We cannot substitute courses from outside CAHNR to meet this requirement or we violate college graduation requirements.
- b. Courses used in the group A-3 category **must match the concentration** declared. Not all AH-coded courses are approved for all concentrations. Students should consult their advisement report for acceptable courses. For example, we cannot use or substitute non-science courses for group A-3 science courses under the Health Sciences concentration. Not all AH courses count for the standard plan.
- c. **Not all courses in the department will satisfy all concentrations.** Making substitutions across concentrations violate the concentration distinctions and are not allowed.

7) Group-B Related Cognate requirements: Must be 2000-level or above passed with a grade of C or better.

- a. **IMPORTANT:** PeopleSoft will list all courses 2000-level or above passed with a grade of C or better in this category. **However, not all courses listed may count.** Courses used to meet Group B must be approved by the advisor and department head.
- b. **This section of the degree advisement report ALWAYS appears as "not met"** even if there are over 18 credits listed. This is because while all courses are listed, they don't "satisfy" the requirement until listed on the final plan of study and approved by the advisor and department head.

- c. Courses that **CANNOT** be used to meet this requirement.
- i. Any course used to meet other program requirements cannot overlap to meet this requirement. The plan of study is designed so that credits are only counted once. By using the same course in multiple places, students become short on credits to graduate.
 - ii. Any 1000-level course regardless of the grade.
 - iii. Courses used for science-electives cannot also be used to meet related cognate courses.
 - iv. Courses used to meet Group-A major requirements cannot also be used as related cognate courses. Overlapping Group-A with Group-B will result in less than 36 credits in the major requirements – violates credit rules for CAHNR.
 - v. PSYC 2300 and PSYC 2400 cannot automatically be used to meet related cognates; requires advisor and department head approval.
 - vi. Transfer courses 2000-level and above *do not* automatically satisfy this requirement. Advisors may request a substitution (form required) but students are limited to up to 6 credits in transfer to meet the 36-credit requirement. CAHNR will always default to UConn courses over transfer courses AND review for this.
 - vii. 2000-level course and above not passed with a grade of C or better.
- d. Course that **CAN** be used to meet this requirement:
- i. Students may overlap the related cognate requirement and a minor by up to 8 credits *only*. PSYC 2300 and 2400 may be used under the related cognate (group B) if approved with advisor permission. They do not automatically count here regardless of the fact that are listed under group B. Students should take related courses other than these to complete this category especially if completing a PSYC minor. Other PSYC courses are fine depending on the concentration.
 - ii. Any 2000-level and above courses passed with a grade of C or better not used to meet other requirements as long as it is “related” to the major and concentration.
 - iii. Any 2000-level and above courses on the approved list from group-A not used to satisfy that requirement as long as the course is consistent with the concentration.
- e. Related cognates for the **Health Sciences concentration** are separated into two lists, 1) pre-approved, and 2) all others. *You DO NOT need to satisfy the 18 credits for both lists*. The total credits for related cognates must be a minimum of 18 credits and can be from the pre-approved list or (with permission) from list 2.
- i. **Courses used to meet the related cognate group for Health Sciences concentration MUST be science courses but do not have to be lab courses;** may include courses throughout the university but must be clearly evident as a health-related science course (e.g. AH major Group A-3 courses not used to meet that requirement, BIOL, CHEM, MCB, PHYS, PNB or other courses with advisor and department head approval).
 - ii. Courses used cannot also be used to meet other requirements.
 - iii. CHEM 2241 and 2242 or CHEM 2443, 2444, and 2445 may be used to meet the related cognate requirements (if passed with a C or better) for the Health Sciences concentration because these credits are not counted separately within the plan of study. They are required and expected to be used as related cognate courses or other electives.