1 General Information
Each program sheet has details on how to be admitted to a particular major, as well as an estimate of the minimum total credits required for that major. The minimum total is often a reflection of the best case scenario, with as many requirements overlapping as possible. Because of this, some students will inevitably end up having to take more than the minimum total number of credits. To avoid this, make sure you meet with your advisor! For explanations of admissions, see section 6.1 on the back.

2 UHM General Education Core Requirements
Completion of the General Education Core (see 2.1 and 2.2 below) is required of every UHM student. Courses listed in the catalog and online with a General Education designation fulfill that requirement, as long as they are completed with a grade of D (not D-) or higher. These requirements can often be fulfilled by courses that are also required for your major. To plan your most efficient track to graduation, refer to the back of your program sheet, your advisor, and the UHM course catalog.

2.1 Foundations
- FW - Written Communication - 3 credits
- PS - Symbolic Reasoning - 3 credits
- FG(A/B/C) - Global and Multicultural Perspectives - 6 credits

2.2 Diversification
- DA / DH / DL - Arts (DA), Humanities (DH), Literature (DL) - total of 6 credits from 2 areas
- DB - Biological Sciences - 3 credits
- DP - Physical Science - 3 credits
- DY - Science Lab - 1 credit
- DS - Social Sciences - 6 credits from 2 depts

3 UHM Graduation Requirements
Entering students must complete 8 focus courses with a grade of D (not D-) or higher; courses are listed below. Transfer students need to consult an academic advisor to learn how many focus courses they need.

3.1 Focus
- H - Hawaiian, Asian & Pacific Issues - 1 course
- E - Contemporary Ethical Issues - 1 course, 300+
- O - Oral Communication - 1 course, 300+
- W - Writing Intensive - 5 courses, at least 2 300+

3.2 Hawaiian / Second Language
Most colleges also require completion of a Hawaiian / Second Language sequence.

3.3 Credit Minimums
The minimum credit requirement to obtain a degree from UHM is 120. Of these 120 credits, students must earn a minimum of 30 credit hours in residence (i.e., taking credit courses or equivalent by exam at UHM).

3.4 Grade Point Average
All students must have a C average (not C-), or a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0, in order to obtain a degree from UHM.
6 Major Requirements for Bachelor's Degree

The specific requirements for the degree and major of your choice are outlined on the back side/second page of every program sheet. If you have questions, contact the advisor(s) listed in the Notes section at the bottom of the page.

6.1 General Information

Every program sheet has information on admission to the major and declaration process (if necessary), as well as the minimum credits and GPA requirement for each major (not including the General Education courses listed on the front).

Admissions: Open means all students accepted; Selective means student is chosen based on his/her own merits (e.g., Social Work, Music); Competitive means the student is competing against other applicants (e.g., Dental Hygiene, Nursing); Minimum criteria means student must meet certain requirements (e.g., Business).

Declaration Process: All students must declare a major. Usually, you do this when you apply to UH, but in some cases you may be required to submit documentation. To find out, see the advisor of your desired major; contact information should be listed in the Notes section at the bottom of the page.

6.2 Requirements

The courses listed here are designated requirements for your major. Some of them can also be used to fulfill your General Education requirements and are marked with an abbreviation (e.g., DY, DP, FS). Not all courses are offered every semester, so be sure you meet regularly with your advisor to plan the most efficient track to graduation.

Notes

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