

General Education Requirements

The Foundations (18 hours)

- Basic Quantitative Literacy: MATH 130 or higher
- Critical Reading: FREX134
- Engaging Faith Traditions: THEO133
- Modern Language: Any modern language at the 131 level or higher
- Written Communication: COMP131 & COMP132

The Distributions (30 hours)

- Arts
6 hours from the following: ARTS130, AMMS, DRAM, MUSI, VART
- Humanities & Cultures
12 hours from the following: HUMA130, AFAM, COMM, ENGL, HIST, MAST, Modern Languages, PHIL, THEO, WOST
No more than 2 courses from any single discipline or from the modern languages can count toward this requirement.
- Natural Sciences & Math
6 hours from the following: NSCI 140, BIOL, CHEM, CSCI, ENVS, MATH, PHYS, STAT
At least one natural science course must have a lab
- Social Sciences
6 hours from the following: SSCI130, CRCJ, ECON, GEOG, POLS, PSYC, SOCI

The Competencies

Through completion of the foundation and distribution courses listed above, and also through selected courses in their majors, students will be developing important competencies. Course offerings designed to meet each competency will be identified in the schedule of classes with a competency code attached to the course number. Throughout their course of study, students will be required to complete each competency category:

- Critical Thinking (T): 3 courses
- Effective Communication (C): 2 courses
- Engaged Citizenship (Z): 3 courses
- Ethics (E): 1 course

Competencies are identified in the fourth component of the course number. For example, VART-136-01-**C** is an Art Appreciation course that meets the Effective Communication competency requirement. Not every course will have a competency. For example, GEOG-331-01 is a Geography course that does not satisfy a competency requirement.

Reflective Modules

Reflective modules are co-curricular explorations that are designed to help students develop their skills as lifelong learners in structured learning environments outside of traditional classroom settings. Various foundational capacities and core competencies will be developed during these intensive experiences. These reflective modules set the foundation for students' understanding of the ways that what they learn in their education will be connected with all the experiences of their lives. Ideally, these reflective modules support student reflection on their development in curricular and co-curricular experiences. Module requirements are:

- New TLU students who are required to take FREX must complete 3 modules.
- New TLU students who are not required to take FREX must complete 2 modules.

Additional module information:

- Students who take FREX must complete the Paw Print module.
- Students who transfer to TLU as core complete are exempt from the module requirement.
- Students who transfer to TLU with 75 or more hours are exempt from the module requirement.
- Preferably, the majority of reflective modules are completed by the end of the sophomore year.
- Students can register for a maximum of two modules per semester.
- Modules are assessed as Credit/No Credit.
- Modules may not be repeated even if the grade of No Credit is received.
- Students can take more than three modules if they wish.