Since its founding in 1945, the College of Arts and Sciences has been the core of the educational environment at Roosevelt University. The college instructs students in the critical, cultural, and technological literacies that enable them to create satisfying lives as professionals, citizens, and private individuals. To prepare students for rewarding work lives, courses are offered in emerging professional and technical fields as well as in the traditional arts and sciences. The college provides opportunities for students to fulfill general education requirements, complete majors leading to bachelor’s degrees, and prepare for admission to professional and graduate schools.

The College of Arts and Sciences offers undergraduate programs leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. Students who are new to the university or who have not declared an academic major receive advising in the advising centers. Soon after, students in Arts and Sciences are advised in their majors.

Students should consult the catalog page for their major to see their General Education requirements, which are listed along with other detailed requirements for the major.

Further Requirements for BA and BS Degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences

Course Work at the 200 and 300 Level
At least 60 credit hours of work with satisfactory final grades must be completed in courses numbered 200 or higher of which at least 18 credit hours must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.

Grade Point Average
A regular student in good standing becomes a candidate for the degree upon completion of 120 semester hours of work with a grade point average of 2.0 or higher at Roosevelt University. Students are also responsible for checking the grade point average requirements of their majors.

Majors
Students are urged to choose a major during their sophomore year. The major sequence must be approved by the student’s academic advisor. Thereafter, the student should consult the academic advisor regularly. Application for approval of major sequences should be made no later than the semester preceding the one in which the student expects to graduate. All seniors should make a final check of requirements for graduation during the advising period preceding their last semester.

Maximum Hours in the Major
At least 69 credit hours (63 credit hours for BS candidates) must be completed outside the student’s major. This rule does not apply to students with interdisciplinary majors. Note that some majors require additional hours outside the major.

Maximum Hours Outside the College
Of the 120 credit hours of coursework required for a degree from the College of Arts and Sciences, a minimum of 90 credit hours must come from coursework within that college, or the equivalent. No more than 30 credit hours of coursework from outside of the College of Arts and Sciences will be accepted toward the degree.

Minors
Many students choose a minor to complement their major. Requirements for minors are listed under most subject headings. Students are also allowed to complete a minor outside the College of Arts and Sciences. Specific requirements for these minors are listed in the relevant section of this catalog. Students should see their academic advisor for recommendations and approval.

Online Courses
Freshmen may take no more than three credit hours of online course work per semester.

Shared Coursework
Credit hours toward General Education requirements may not be shared with the major.
Credit hours toward General Education requirements may be shared with the minor.
Credits hours between a Major and a Minor may not be shared.