



The Humanities Major Requirements

Note: these requirements are in place for students who added the major **up to and including spring 2025**. If you are interested in considering switching to the 2026 requirements, please reach out to the HUMN Director of Undergraduate Studies at annjeanette.wiese@colorado.edu.)

A total of 54 credit hours is required for the major.

I. Introduction to Humanities courses—choose three of the following (9 hours):

HUMN 1001 Forms of Narrative: An Introduction to Humanities (3 hours)

HUMN 1002 Visualizing Culture: An Introduction to Humanities (3 hours)

HUMN 1003 Conflicts in History: Civilization & Culture: An Introduction to Humanities (3 hours)

HUMN 1004 Sound and Meaning: An Introduction to Humanities (3 hours)

II. Flex course: one upper- or lower-division HUMN course (3 hours)

III. HUMN 2000: Methods/Approaches to Humanities (3 hours)

IV. Upper-division HUMN courses (21 hours):

Seven courses selected from the upper-division offerings taught by Humanities Program faculty (prefix HUMN). These include courses on different periods, themes, geographical areas, cultural groups, theories, and more.

V. Outside area of study (18 hours): To be fulfilled by choosing one of the following courses of study.

- A major, minor, or certificate in another discipline (additional courses may be necessary to meet the required 18 hours)
- 12 hours in one discipline plus 6 hours in a different discipline
- 18 hours chosen according to a common theme (to be determined in consultation with and approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies)

Examples of Choices for the Outside Course of Study

With the guidance of advising and the HUMN program, you can craft your outside areas of study in a way that is intellectually and personally meaningful to you. For example, you can choose...

- **A major, minor, or certificate in another discipline**, such as Music, Philosophy, Psychology, Anthropology, Ethnic Studies, Communication, Dance, INVST, EBIO, Mathematics, Cinema Studies, Theatre, Creative Writing, etc. [A total of 18 credit hours in the area is required.]
- **12 hours in one discipline and 6 hours in a different discipline**, such as Political Science and Communication, Philosophy and Classics, Women and Gender Studies and History, Creative Technology and Design and Linguistics, etc.
- **18 hours chosen according to a common theme** that allows you to explore new combinations of knowledge and contemporary issues. Either construct your own theme or pursue one of the following clusters: Ecocriticism, Medical Humanities, Game Studies, Media Studies, Popular Music Studies, Law in Literature and Art, Digital Humanities, or Narrative.

Students should consult with the HUMN Director of Undergraduate Studies before making choices regarding your outside area of study. Please also note the following: Students may experience difficulties when trying to get into upper-division classes in some disciplines. First-year courses in a foreign language cannot be counted.