GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM: THE DEARBORN DISCOVERY CORE

The campus-wide general education program at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, known as the Dearborn Discovery Core, is designed to complement work in a student’s chosen area of study. These classes serve as a means of discovery for students, providing a foundation for learning, connecting to potential new areas of interest and building tools for success in whatever field a student pursues. Learning outcomes are guided by the qualities every student should develop as they move toward graduating with a University of Michigan-Dearborn degree.

The Dearborn Discovery Core requirements incorporate the Goals for the Undergraduate Experience to help ensure that students master the tools and techniques necessary to succeed in college and throughout their lives and careers. The Dearborn Discovery Core is divided into three sections: Foundational Studies, Areas of Inquiry, and Capstone Experience.

An overall Grade Point Average of 2.0 is required of students when completing the Dearborn Discovery Core.

A course can count for a maximum of three categories within the Dearborn Discovery Core.

Dearborn Discovery Core
Please see the Dearborn Discovery Core (General Education) (https://umdearborn.edu/faculty-staff/academic-program-and-course-development/dearborn-discovery-core-general-education/) webpage or additional information.

Foundational Studies
Writing and Communication (GEWO) – 6 Credits
Upper-Level Writing Intensive (GEWI) – 3 Credits
Quantitative Thinking and Problem Solving (GEQT) – 3 Credits
Critical and Creative Thinking (GECC) – 3 Credits

Areas of Inquiry
Natural Science (GENS) – 7 Credits
  - Lecture/Lab Science Course
  - Additional Science Course
Social and Behavioral Analysis (GESB) – 9 Credits
Humanities and the Arts (GEHA) – 6 Credits
Intersections (GEIN) – 6 Credits

Capstone
Capstone (GECE) – 3 Credits