

SOUTHWEST HERITAGE STUDIES - CERTIFICATE ON COMPLETION

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Prefix	Title	Credits
Requirements		
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	3
or COMM 1130G	Public Speaking	
MATH 1215	Intermediate Algebra	3
BIOL 1190G	Contemporary Problems in Biology	4
OECS 105	Introduction to Information Technology	3
or FYEX 1110	First-year Seminar	
Local History Requirements		
HIST 2110	Survey of New Mexico History	3
HIST 2996	Special Topics	3
Electives		
Select two courses from the following:		6-8
ANTH 1140G	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
ANTH 2140G	Indigenous Peoples of North America	
ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art	

ENGL 1410G & ENGL 2650G	Introduction to Literature and World Literature I
GEOG 1120G or GEOG 1130G	World Regional Geography Human Geography
GEOL 1110G	Physical Geology
SPAN 1110	Spanish I
SPAN 1120	Spanish II
Total Credits	29-31

A Suggested Plan of Study

This roadmap is only a suggested plan of study in order to complete this Certificate in two semesters. It is not intended as a contract. Course availability may vary from fall to spring semester and may be subject to modification or change. Students are advised to earn a C or better to avoid repeating courses. This plan presumes the student is ready for ENGL 1110G Composition I and MATH 1215 Intermediate Algebra as determined by the English and Math Placement test, an ACT score, or passing the prerequisite course.

First Year

Fall		Credits
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
MATH 1215	Intermediate Algebra	3
HIST 2110	Survey of New Mexico History	3
OECS 105 or FYEX 1110	Introduction to Information Technology or First-year Seminar	3
Elective - Choose from list in degree requirements		3-4
Credits		16-17
Spring		
BIOL 1190G	Contemporary Problems in Biology	4
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	3
HIST 2996	Special Topics	3
Elective - Choose from list in degree requirements		3-4
Credits		13-14
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