

**Bachelor of Science in Rural Studies
with a concentration in Writing and Communication
Suggested Program of Study***

First Year

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
Area A - ENGL 1101	3	Area A - ENGL 1102	3
Area A - MATH 1101 or higher	3	Area F – Elective ³	3
Area D - Lab Science ¹	4	Area D - Lab Science ¹	4
Area B - Institutional Option ² (CISM 2201 Required)	3	Area E - Social Science Elective (RELG 1100 Preferred)	3
Area E - POLS 1101	3	Area B - Institutional Option ² (COMM 1100 Required)	3
Physical Education Activity	1	Physical Education Activity	1
Total	17	Total	17

Second Year

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
Area C - ENGL 21-- (ENGL 2131 or ENGL 2132 Preferred)	3	Area F – Elective ³ (ENGL 2401 Preferred) ⁴	3
Area E - Social Science Elective	3	Area C - Fine Arts Elective	3
Area F – Elective ³ (COMM 2100 Preferred)	3	Area F – Elective ³ (COMM 2300 Preferred)	3
Area E - HIST 2112	3	Area F – Elective ³	3
Area F – Elective ³ (POLS 2401 Preferred)	3	Area D - Math or Science Elective (MATH 2000 Preferred)	3
PHED 1100	2		
Total	17	Total	15

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¹Area D – Science for a non-science major

²Area B – CISM 2201 and COMM 1100 required in Area B unless taken in Area F

³Area F – Select 6 courses from the following courses not taken in other areas of the core Curriculum: ARTS 2211, ARTS 2212, ARTS 2213, COMM 2100, COMM 2300, ECON 2105, ECON 2106 (or AECO 2258), ENGL 2131, ENGL 2132, ENGL 2401, GEOG 1101, HIST 2201, HIST 2232, HIST 1111, HUMN 2221, ITEC 2215, MATH 2000 (strongly encouraged), MUSC 1100, POLS 2401 PSYC 1101, SOCI 1101, RELG 1100, THEA 1100

Area F – If completing the Bachelor of Arts, the student needs to take SPAN 1002, SPAN 2001 and SPAN 2002 in Area F.

Third Year

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
RLST 3000	3	RLST 3070	3
RLST 3060	3	Interdisciplinary Elective	3
ENGL 4010	3	COMM 3100	3
Interdisciplinary Elective	3	Directed Elective	3
Directed Elective	3	Interdisciplinary Elective	3
Total	15	Total	15

Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Hrs	Spring Semester	Hrs
Directed Elective	3	RLST 4790 internship**	3
Directed Elective	3	RLST 4990 capstone	3
Interdisciplinary Elective	3	Directed Elective	3
General Rural Studies Elective	3	General Rural Studies Elective	3
General Rural Studies Elective	3	General Rural Studies Elective	3
Total	15	Total	15

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**Unless completed elsewhere in the curriculum