KEAN UNIVERSITY – COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
(44301) B.A. Fine Arts
120 S.H.

GENERAL EDUCATION: 31 32 S.H.	
Essential Learning Courses*: 16-17 S.H.	
Critical Reading & Academic Study Skills 4 S.H.	
*All students must take 1 credit in Academic Study Skills: either GE*1000 or GE*3000*	1
All students must take 3 credits in Critical Reading from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Written Communication 3 S.H.**	
All students must take 3 credits in Written Communication from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Speech Communication 3 S.H.	
All students must take 3 credits in Speech Communication from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Quantitative & Scientific Reasoning 6-7 S.H.	
*All students must take either MATH*1016 or MATH*1054 (3 credits each).*	3
All students must take 3 or 4 credits in Scientific Reasoning from the GE PLO course list.	3-4
Core Competency Courses: 12 S.H.	
Intercultural Knowledge & Understanding 3 S.H.	
All students must take 3 credits in Intercultural Knowledge & Understanding from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Critical & Creative Thinking 3 S.H.	
All students must take 3 credits in the Critical & Creative Thinking from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Ethical Reasoning 3 S.H.	
All students must take 3 credits in Ethical Reasoning from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Wellness 3 S.H.	
All students must take 3 credits in Wellness from the GE PLO Course List.	3
Inquiry & Analysis Passion Project 3 S.H.	
All students must take 3 credits in Inquiry & Analysis from the GE PLO Course List.	3
ADDITIONAL REQUIRED COURSES 6 S.H.	
AH 1700 Art from Prehistory through Middle Ages	3
AH 1701 Art from Renaissance to Modern World	3

*For all prerequisites and equivalencies, see page 2.
**Requires a minimum grade of C or higher

ACADEMIC MAJOR *	39 S.H.
Foundation Requirements**	**15 S.H.**
FA 1102 2-D Design and Color	3
FA 1101 3-D Design	3
FA 1230 Drawing I	3
FA 2405 Drawing II	3
FA 2200 Introduction to Painting for Art Majors	3
Additional Major Requirements**	**9 S.H.**
FA 3380 Business Practices in the Visual Arts	3
AH 3740 Modern Art	3
AH 3741 Contemporary Art	3
Major Elective Courses:	**12 S.H.**
4 courses selected from one major area (Traditional, Digital, or Craft Media) See page 2.	
FA 3171-3173 Fine Arts Internship is an option as a major elective	
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Major Capstone Courses**	**3 S.H.**
FA 4800 Meaning/Making in the Visual Arts [WE]***	3
FREE ELECTIVES	**43 44 S.H.**
(50% of free electives must be taken at the 3000-4000 level)	

** Minimum GPA Required: 2.0 overall, 3.0 GPA in Fine Arts and Art History course. Passing a portfolio review after the completion of 30 credits of FA courses is also required to be fully declared in the major.*

***All Major courses require a grade of C or better.*

PROGRAM REVISION DATE (Spring 2026)

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MAJOR ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS: **4 COURSES FROM ONE OF THE THREE SPECIALIZATION AREAS BELOW:**

TRADITIONAL MEDIA

FA 2210 Watercolor
FA 2240 Illustration I
FA 3342 Illustration II
FA 3230 Life Drawing
FA 3202 Painting Workshop (may be repeated for credit)
FA 2260 Beginning Printmaking
FA 3261 Inter. Printmaking
FA 4262 Advanced Printmaking
FA 4000 Independent Study
FA 4001 Independent Study
FA 3171-3173 Fine Arts Internship

DIGITAL MEDIA

FA 2112 Introduction to Digital Media Art
FA 3111 Computer Art II: Drawing and Painting
FA 2275 Digital Photography I
FA 3275 Digital Photography 2
FA 3370 Commercial Photo. Fundamentals
FA 3273 Photojournalism & Documentary Photo.
FA 2671 Video Art I
FA 3672 Experimental Video
FA 4000 Independent Study
FA 4001 Independent Study
FA 3171-3173 Fine Arts Internship

CRAFT MEDIA

FA 2280 Ceramic I
FA 3281 Ceramics II
FA 4280 Ceramics III
FA 2250 Basic Metalwork and Jewelry
FA 3251 Intermediate Metalwork and Jewelry
FA 4283 Advanced Metalwork and Jewelry
FA 2259 Paper Making And Book Arts
FA 2288 Furniture I
FA 3289 Furniture II
FA 2290 The Woodworker's Art
FA 4000 Independent Study
FA 4001 Independent Study
FA 3171-3173 Fine Arts Internship

GENERAL EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL EDUCATION INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Testing and Placement

Incoming freshmen and transfer students may be placed in specific GE Essential Learning, Developmental, or ESL courses as a result of testing prior to registration. Students may be exempt from testing due to SAT scores or prior college work.

Prerequisites and Equivalencies for GE Essential Learning Courses

GE*1000
Required of all freshmen & transfers entering with 0-29 credits
Pre-requisite: None
Equivalency: ID*1001

GE*3000
Required of transfers entering with 30 credits or more
Pre-requisite: 30 credits and ENG*1030 (or equivalent)

ENG*1030
Pre-requisite: Placement testing or exemption from placement testing
Equivalency: ENG*1031/1032, ENG*1033/1034, ENG*1430, ENG*1620, ENG*1020, ENG*1400

MATH*1016
Pre-requisite: MATH*0901 if required by placement testing
Co-requisite: MATH*0902 should be taken concurrently with Math*1016 if required by placement testing

MATH*1054
Pre-requisite:: MATH*0901 if required by placement testing and MATH*1000

COMM*1402
Pre-requisite: ENG*1031/1032 or ENG*1033/1034 if required by placement testing; May be taken concurrently with ENG*1030
Equivalency: COMM*1400

Inquiry & Analysis PLO

GE 2021- 2026: *Research and Technology* is offered as a college-based course.
Pre-requisite: CS*0412 if required by placement testing; Written Communication course
Equivalency: GE*2020

GE*2021: College of Business and Public Management
GE*2022: College of Education & College Health Professions and Human Services
GE*2023: College of Liberal Arts
GE*2024: College of Science, Mathematics, and Technology & College Health Professions and Human Services
GE*2025: Departments of Fine Arts, Music, and Theatre & Michael Graves College
GE*2026: Undecided Majors and other special populations

GE PLO Courses

Approved GE PLO Course List

All courses taken under the General Education Essential Learning and Core Competency requirements must be selected from the Approved General Education PLO Course List.

Foreign Language Credit

The three credits for a foreign language that may satisfy the GE Intercultural Knowledge & Understanding requirement are awarded only upon successful completion of the second of two semesters of study at the introductory or intermediate level. Credit for the first semester may be used as an elective.

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

GE 1000/3000 Requirement

All undergraduate students must satisfy this University Requirement for Graduation by successfully completing one of the following courses at Kean University: GE 1000 Transition to Kean (all freshmen and transfers entering with 0-29 credits) or GE 3000 Transfer Transitions (transfers entering with 30 credits or more).

Writing-Emphasis Requirement

To graduate, all students are required to complete at least one “Writing Emphasis” course within their major. Such courses are designed to provide students with an opportunity to explore writing as it is done in their chosen field. Typically, Writing Emphasis courses are taken in the junior or senior year, after the student’s initial composition courses are completed. Students should consult their major program advisor for specific information about the Writing Emphasis course requirement.