

KEAN UNIVERSITY – COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

(SOC/SOPCA) B.A. IN SOCIOLOGY and MPA 120 SEMESTER HOURS (S.H.)

Minimum GPA Required for Declaration: 2.0

Minimum GPA Required for Major: 2.0

Overall GPA Required for Graduation: 2.0

EFFECTIVE DATE: Fall 2026

GENERAL EDUCATION 41-42 Semester Hours (S.H.)		ACADEMIC MAJOR***			36 S.H. (Total)
Foundation Requirements: ¹	13 S.H.	Major Required Courses:			18 S.H.
GE 1000 Transition to Kean ² –or– GE 3000 Transfer Transitions ²	1	SOC 2000	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL JUSTICE		3
ENG 1030 Composition ³	3	SOC 2050	SOCIAL STATISTICS ⁴		3
MATH 1000;1010; 1016; 1030; or 1054	3	SOC 2052	METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH		3
COMM 1402 Speech Communication as Critical Citizenship ³	3	SOC 3050	DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY		3
GE 2023 Research & Technology	3	SOC 3052	QUALITATIVE METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH		3
		SOC 3053	DATA ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT		3
Disciplinary & Interdisciplinary Distribution Requirements:	28-29 S.H.	Major Elective Courses: ^{15 S.H.} Select Five Sociology courses (At least three MUST BE at the 3000-4000 level). The optional internship credits can be counted toward the Sociology electives.			
Humanities	9 S.H. (from different areas)	SOC 3173 INTERNSHIP OPTIONAL Students can be approved for a maximum of one three credit internship which may be used to fulfill major elective requirement.			3
*ENG 2403 World Literature	3				3
Take two “GE Approved” courses from two areas below:					3
Fine Arts/Art History	3				3
Philosophy or Religion	3				3
Foreign Languages (Must take I and II for credit)	3	** Major Capstone Course *** ^{3 S.H.} SOC 4600 SENIOR SEMINAR (W.E.)			3
Music or Theatre	3				
Interdisciplinary	3				
Social Sciences	9 S.H. (from different areas)	FREE ELECTIVES At least 50% must be at the 3000/4000 level. ^{36-37S.H.}			
*HIST 1062	3	SOC 1996 FRESHMAN RESEARCH OPTIONAL ⁵	1-2	PA 5001: Global Foundations and Public Administrations	
** SOC 1000 (INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY) ***	3	SOC 3171, SOC 3172 OPTIONAL Internship ⁶	1-2		
Take ONE “GE Approved” course from the area below:					
Psychology	3	Required Graduate PA Courses ^{12 S.H.}			
Economics or ES 1010 (World Geography)	3	PA 5001			3
Political Science	3	PA 5988			3
Anthropology		PA 5000 level			3
Interdisciplinary	3	PA 5000 level			3
Science and Mathematics	10 or 11 S.H.				
MATH 1000; 1010;1016;1030;1054; or CPS 1032;1231	3				
Lab Science (from Biology; Chemistry; Environmental Sciences; Earth Sciences; Forensic Sciences; Interdisciplinary; Physics; or Sustainability Sciences)	4				
Additional “GE Approved” Science Course	3-4				
ADDITIONAL REQUIRED COURSES	6 S.H.	Health and Physical Education: 2 or 3 S.H.: ID 1225 Issues in Contemporary Health; ID 1010 Leisure and Recreation in Multi SOC OR TWO one-credit P.E.D. courses - OPTIONAL MINOR in a different program to partially fulfill FREE ELECTIVES ⁷ - OPTIONAL			
Two 3000-4000 level courses in Psychology, Anthropology, Political Science, Communication, ENG 3041 (Writing in the Social Sciences) and other relevant disciplines with Coordinator approval.		3	Special Notes:		
		3	¹ See pre-requisites and equivalencies (on page 2)		
*GE Distribution course required of all students			² University requirement for graduation for all undergraduate students that must be satisfied in one of two ways: Complete GE 1000 (all freshmen and transfers entering with 0-29 credits) OR complete GE 3000 (transfers entering with 30 credits or more)		
**Course required by Major			³ ENG 1030, COMM 1402 require grade of C or higher		
***All Major courses require a grade of C or better			⁴ PSY 3200 Accepted		
			⁵ SOC1996 Freshman Research, Freshman may partner with faculty to earn one credit as a free elective. May take SOC 1996 up to two times.		
⁷ Students are encouraged to consider a Minor from Interdisciplinary Studies to partially fulfill the required FREE ELECTIVES credits.			⁶ Students can be approved for a maximum of 3 credits which may fulfill free elective requirements. SOC 3171-3172 are the only Sociology courses acceptable for use in the free electives area, in addition to SOC 1996.		

GENERAL EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL EDUCATION INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Testing and Placement

Incoming freshmen and transfer students may be placed in specific GE Foundations, 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 Foundations Courses

GE 1000

Required of all freshmen & transfers entering with 0-29 credits
Prereq: None
Equiv: ID 1001

GE 3000

Required of transfers entering with 30 credits or more
Prereq: 30 credits and ENG 1030

ENG 1030

Prereq: Placement testing or exemption from placement testing
Equiv: ENG 1031/1032, ENG 1033/1034, ENG 1430, ENG 1620, ENG 1020, ENG 1400

MATH 1000 or 1010 or 1016 or 1030

Prereq: MATH 0901 if required by placement testing
Equiv of MATH 1000: MATH 1001/1002, MATH 1003/1004, MATH 1051

MATH 1044* or 1054

Prereq: MATH 0901 if required by placement testing and MATH 1000
***MATH 1044 is available as a Foundation option for CBPM students only**

COMM 1402

Prereq: CS 0412 if required by placement testing
ENG 1031/1032 or ENG 1033/1034 if required by placement testing
May be taken concurrently with ENG 1030
Equiv: COMM 1400

GE 2021- 2026 Research and Technology is offered as college-based course

GE 2021 College of BPM
GE 2022 College of EDU
GE 2023 College of CLA
GE 2024 College of NAHS & NJCSTM & NWGC
GE 2025 SFPA & Michael Graves College
GE 2026 Undecided Majors and other special populations
Prereqs: CS 0412 if required by placement testing
ENG 1030 or equivalent
COMM 1402
Equiv: GE 2020

GE Distribution Courses

Approved GE Distribution Courses

All courses taken under the General Education Disciplinary/Interdisciplinary Distribution requirements must be selected from the Approved General Education Distribution Course List. These courses are designated as GEHU, GESS, and GESM.
GEHU Humanities
GESS Social Sciences
GESM Science and Mathematics

Required GE Distribution Courses

ENG 2403 is a required Humanities Distribution course with an emphasis on diversity.
Prereq: CS 0412 if required by placement testing; ENG 1030 or equivalent
Equiv: ENG*2203

HIST 1062 is a required Social Sciences Distribution course.
Prereq: None

Foreign Language Credit

The three credits for a foreign language that may satisfy the GE Disciplinary/Interdisciplinary Distribution 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 elective credit.

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

All students are required to complete one "Writing- Emphasis" course. The "W-E" course must be within the major portion of your program. Consult your major program advisor for specific information.