

CORE - UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE (CORE)

CORE 1000 - Ignite First Year Seminar

Credit(s): 2 or 3 Credits

Courses that satisfy the Ignite Seminar requirement engage each instructor's distinct area of expertise as the lens through which students practice the Ignatian learning process—an integrative and personal approach to inquiry rooted in context, experience, reflection, action, and evaluation. By focusing on how scholarly commitments are forged in dialogue with the personal and social worlds we inhabit, Ignite seminars showcase the rich interplay of intellect and identity, wonder and certainly, rigor and play that characterizes academic inquiry rooted in the Ignatian ideal of care for the whole person (*cura personalis*). Ignite Seminar leaders also guide students as they identify and explore the questions that ignite their own sense of wonder and urgency. Must be completed in a student's first 36 credit hours at SLU.

Restrictions:

Students in the Saint Louis University Madrid college may **not** enroll.

Attributes: Core:Ignite Seminar

CORE 1200 - Eloquentia Perfecta 2: Oral and Visual Communication

Credit(s): 3 Credits

Eloquentia Perfecta 2: Oral and Visual Communication trains students in the five duties of the rhetorician: invention, arrangement, style, memory, and delivery. Courses that satisfy the Oral and Visual Communication requirement develop students' ability to prepare and deliver effective oral and visual messages and arguments within academic and professional contexts and advocate for the common good. Students advance their oral and visual communication skills through assignments that require them to consider their own positions, present audience-appropriate messages and arguments, and acknowledge multiple and contradictory perspectives. In this process, students learn to evaluate oral and visual arguments and reflect on the ways in which identity, values and diverse cultural contexts shape their own and others' oral and visual communication. They also reflect on the ways in which rhetorically fluent communication is vital to ethical public discourse, understood as effective communication in service of the common good. Should be completed in a student's first 60 credit hours at SLU. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Attributes: Core:Oral & Visual Comm

CORE 1500 - Cura Personalis 1: Self in Community

Credit(s): 1 Credit

Courses that satisfy the Cura Personalis 1: Self in Community requirement launch students on a path of self-discovery and deeper meaning-making by exploring fundamental questions of identity, history, and place. Completed in the first year at SLU, this course offers grounding and support as students join the SLU academic community and begin to navigate its distinctive intellectual and interpersonal challenges. This course situates students within the histories, places, and resources of SLU and St. Louis/Madrid, and assists in their transition to college-level learning in the Jesuit tradition by inviting them to consider the diverse perspectives and backgrounds that make up SLU, including their own. The course also orients students to a variety of academic, health, wellness, civic, and cultural resources that are available to enrich their journey. Must be completed in a student's first 36 credit hours at SLU. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students in the Saint Louis University Madrid college.

Attributes: Core:Self in Community

CORE 1600 - Ultimate Questions: Theology

Credit(s): 3 Credits

Courses that satisfy the Ultimate Questions: Theology requirement ask students to reflect critically on their own and others' worldviews by wrestling with "ultimate questions" in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. Ultimate Questions: Theology focuses on the nature of faith; the nature, existence, and personhood of God; the nature and ends of creation and human life; evil and salvation. Ultimate Questions: Theology introduces students to the fundamental texts, teachings, practices and modes of inquiry of one or more major religious traditions, always including the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Prerequisite(s): CORE 1500

Attributes: Core:Theology

CORE 1700 - Ultimate Questions: Philosophy

Credit(s): 3 Credits

Courses that satisfy the Ultimate Questions: Philosophy requirement ask students to reflect critically on their own and others' worldviews by wrestling with "ultimate questions" in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. Ultimate Questions: Philosophy focuses on the nature of reality and our ability to know it, the nature of wisdom and the good life, and the nature and meaning of human existence. Ultimate Questions: Philosophy introduces students to distinctively philosophical ways of reasoning about such questions, always including philosophical approaches found in the Catholic tradition. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Prerequisite(s): CORE 1500

Attributes: Core:Philosophy

CORE 1900 - Eloquentia Perfecta 1: Written and Visual Communication**Credit(s): 3 Credits**

Eloquentia Perfecta 1: Written and Visual Communication trains students in the five duties of the rhetorician: invention, arrangement, style, memory, and delivery. Courses that satisfy the Written and Visual Requirement develop students' ability to write effective messages and arguments in expository prose, design effective visual messages and arguments, participate in academic discourse, and advocate for the common good. Students advance their writing and visual design skills through a variety of formal and informal assignments that require several stages of invention and revision and the acknowledgement of multiple and contradictory perspectives. Through these assignments, students gain rhetorical awareness of purposes, audiences, and contexts. They also reflect on the ways in which rhetorically fluent communication is vital to ethical public discourse, understood as effective communication in service of the common good. Should be completed in a student's first 36 credit hours at SLU. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Prerequisite(s): (ENGL 1500, ENGL 1505, EAP 1500, ACT English with a minimum score of 25, or SAT Verbal with a minimum score of 600)

Attributes: Core:Written & Visual Comm

CORE 3500 - Cura Personalis 3: Self in the World**Credit(s): 1 Credit**

Courses that satisfy the Cura Personalis 3: Self in the World requirement ask students to look outward by articulating how their skills, competencies, and knowledge transfer to professional, personal, and/or civic vocation. Students are guided in an examination of both academic and non-academic options and logistics; preparing career-enhancing tools, and developing appropriate career-enhancing practices that will help them move forward with a sense of confidence and purpose that enables them to find richer meaning in their lives and careers. Most importantly, Cura Personalis 3 gives students the opportunity to reflect on intersections between their Core and major and assists them in crafting written and oral messages about how that intersection informs who they are as they leave SLU and embark on their work in the world in solidarity with others. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Prerequisite(s): (CORE 1900 or ENGL 1900); CORE 1500; CORE 1200*

* Concurrent enrollment allowed.

Attributes: Core:Self in the World

CORE 4000 - Collaborative Inquiry**Credit(s): 2 or 3 Credits**

Courses that satisfy the Collaborative Inquiry requirement ask students to work with their peers to apply concepts, methodologies, and ways of thinking from earlier Core and other coursework in order to explore complex questions without straightforward answers. These courses might focus on contemporary societal problems like climate change or racial inequality, or they might engage enduring questions about the nature of beauty, effective leadership, or the transcendent. Before enrolling in CORE 4000, students must have completed 60 credits overall, including 21 credits from the University Core. (Offered in Fall, Spring and Summer)

Prerequisite(s): CORE 1000; CORE 1500

Attributes: Core:Collaborative Inquiry