

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE PROGRAM



COMPLETE YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE WITH OTHER ADULT LEARNERS IN A FLEXIBLE PROGRAM.

Since 1973, the B.A. in General Studies at EIU has been serving adult learners in Illinois, helping them meet their goal of earning a bachelor's degree. Technology has allowed us to expand beyond Illinois, by offering this adult focused degree-completion program completely online.

COURSE FLEXIBILITY

We know everybody, including you, has a unique set of circumstances under which they're trying to earn a degree. That's why we offer online and on-site classes, with advising available in the Chicago area, Champaign, and Charleston.

CREDIT TRANSFER

The BGS degree program can accept up to 100 semester hours in transfer from regionally accredited colleges and universities, including as many as 80 hours earned at a community college, and credits earned through military training.

To graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in General Studies degree, a student must complete 120 semester hours (s.h.) of credit which include:

University-Wide Requirements

- 40 s.h. at the junior/senior level
- 20 s.h. earned from Eastern Illinois University (on campus, off campus, or distance learning courses)
- 3 s.h. of senior seminar

Core Courses

- BGS 2985 - Adults in Transition

Note: Required for those who have not completed college courses in the past five years. Elective option for everyone else.

- BGS 3002 - Critical Thinking and the Adult Learner
- BGS 4001 - Self-Directed Leadership

General Education Requirements

- 12 s.h. scientific awareness/mathematics
- 12 s.h. social/behavioral sciences
- 12 s.h. humanities/fine arts
- 6 s.h. communication/English

Students who have earned an A.A. or A.S. degree from a regionally accredited institution have met general education requirements.

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