

Academic Degree and Graduation Requirements

At Saint Mary's College, undergraduate students become liberally educated women with the breadth of knowledge to understand the cultural, social, spiritual, and natural worlds in which we all exist. This breadth of vision enables each student to ground her specific major area of study in this larger context.

DEGREES

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Every candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree must select a major field in which she wishes to do intensive work. The major consists of a minimum of 24 semester hours of credit as determined by the department. The following majors and concentrations may be chosen:

art	history
art history concentration	women's history concentration
studio art concentration	humanistic studies
communication studies	mathematics
communicative sciences and disorders	teacher concentration
computing and applied mathematics	music
economics	philosophy
elementary education	physics
English literature	physics and applied mathematics
English literature and writing	political science
English writing	psychology
environmental studies	religious studies
concentrations	secondary education
gender and women's studies	sociology
global studies	Spanish
concentrations	statistics and actuarial mathematics
	student-designed major
	theatre

Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.)

The Bachelor of Business Administration degree is offered to students primarily seeking entry-level career positions. Students seeking this degree take a common core of twelve courses in economics, business, mathematics and computer science. Business Administration majors must complete at least twelve semester hours of upper level coursework in one of the five concentrations (accounting, finance, international business, management, management information systems, or marketing). Concentrations are optional for Accounting majors. The following majors and concentrations may be chosen:

accounting	business administration
finance concentration	accounting concentration
international business concentration	finance concentration
management concentration	international business concentration
management information systems concentration	management concentration
marketing concentration	management information systems concentration
	marketing concentration

Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)

A Bachelor of Fine Arts degree is offered for students who are especially talented in art and who wish to emphasize studio art. The B.F.A. degree requires 78 hours of art and related courses. To obtain this degree, students must have the recommendation of the art department. A portfolio of work is required for admission to the department. (Work from the first semester may be used for the portfolio review). The major is art.

Bachelor of Music (B.M.)

A Bachelor of Music degree may be earned in music education.

Bachelor of Science (B.S.)

Bachelor of Science programs involve significant use of courses from more than one department. To receive this degree, a student must earn at least 60 hours in science, all areas combined. These 60 hours include the course requirements in the major as prescribed by each major department, any required supporting courses, and, if necessary, additional courses to reach the total of 60. The following majors and concentrations may be chosen:

biology	computing and applied mathematics
cellular/molecular biology concentration	mathematics
ecology, evolution, and environmental biology concentration	teacher concentration
integrative biology concentration	physics
chemistry	physics and applied mathematics
	statistics and actuarial mathematics
	student-designed major

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)

A Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree is offered for students pursuing a major in nursing.

Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.)

A Bachelor of Science in Social Work degree is offered for students pursuing a major in social work.

Second Degree

A student who has received one bachelor's degree from Saint Mary's College may receive a second, different bachelor's degree provided that all requirements for the second degree are met. The additional program of study completed must include at least 30 semester hours of course work taken at Saint Mary's College that were not applied toward the first degree.

Dual Degree Engineering Program

Saint Mary's College has established a dual degree engineering program with the University of Notre Dame. The combination of a liberal arts pre-engineering program with the highly technical courses of study required for engineering careers is an ideal education for engineers who are called upon to combine values with the technical skills of their field. This program, when successfully completed, culminates in a B.A. or B.S. from Saint Mary's, and a B.S. in engineering from Notre Dame. (See also: Engineering, 4.)

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Students in all degree programs must attain/complete the following:

- a minimum of 128 semester hours of credit.
- a 2.0 minimum cumulative grade point average.
- Sophia Program and major requirements as outlined in the following pages.

A minimum of 60 semester hours of credit and at least one-half of the major course work must be completed on Saint Mary's campus.