COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The following is a guide to using WKU’s course descriptions. Note: Questions concerning registration in a specific course should be directed to the instructor of the course. To register in restricted courses or in courses for which you do not meet the prerequisite, students must get permission from the instructor.

Course Fees
Enrollment in some courses requires payment of an additional fee. Refer to www.wku.edu/bursar for specific course fees.

Course Numbering System
• 100-299 Primarily for freshmen and sophomores; such courses generally contain introductory, elementary or basic level content.
• 300-499 Primarily for juniors and seniors; courses contain advanced undergraduate level content.
• 400G-499G Graduate courses, open only to graduate students unless exception approved.

Credit Hours
The number of credit hours is displayed in parentheses after the course title.

Equivalent Courses
Equivalent courses have different subject area prefixes but the same course number, title, abbreviated title, credit hours, prerequisites and / or corequisites, grade type (e.g., A – F, Pass / Fail) and catalog course listings.

Prerequisite
A prerequisite represents prior specific or general academic knowledge, background, or student classification required in order to enroll in a specific course.

Corequisite
A corequisite is a requirement which must be fulfilled concurrently with another course, unless successfully completed as a prerequisite.

Statewide General Education Codes
(Refer to the “Transfer of Credits” section of the catalog for more details.)

WKU Colonnade Codes (General Education)
(Refer to the Colonnade section for more details.)

A • Academy Math/Science (ACMS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/acms)
• Accounting (ACCT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/acct)
• Advertising (AD) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ad)
• Aerospace (AERO) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/aero)
• African-American Studies (AFAM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/afam)
• Agricultural Economics (AGEC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/agec)
• Agricultural Education (AGED) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/aged)
• Agricultural Mechanics (AGMC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/agmc)
• Agriculture - General (AGRI) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/agri)
• Agronomy (AGRO) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/agro)
• Allied Health (AH) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ah)
• American Sign Language (ASL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/asl)
• Animal Science (ANSC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ansc)
• Anthropology (ANTH) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/anth)
• Arabic (ARBC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/arbc)
• Architectural & Manufacturing (AMS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ams)
• Art (ART) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/art)
• Asian Rels/Cultures (ARC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/arc)
• Astronomy (ASTR) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/astr)

B • Biblical Languages (BLNG) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/blng)
• Biology (BIOL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/biol)
• Brewing & Distilling Art & Sci (BDAS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/bdas)
• Broadcast Communication (BCOM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/bcom)
• Business (So Campus) (BUS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/bus)
• Business Administration (BA) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ba)
• Business Data Analytics (BDAN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/bdan)
• Business Education (BE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/be)

• Chemistry (CHEM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/chem)
• Chinese (CHIN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/chin)
• Chinese Flagship (CHNF) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/chnf)
• Citizenship & Social Justice (CSJ) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/csj)
• Civil Engineering (CE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ce)
• College: Health & Human Serv (CHHS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/chhs)
• Communication (COMM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/comm)
• Communication Disorders (CD) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/cd)
• Computer Info Technology (CIT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/cit)
• Computer Information Sys (CIS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/cis)
• Computer Science (So Campus) (CSCI) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/csci)
• Computer Science (Univ) (CS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/cs)
• Construction Management (CM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/cm)
• Counseling & Student Affairs (CNS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/cns)
• Criminology (CRIM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/crim)

• Dance (DANC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/danc)
• Dental Hygiene (DH) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/dh)
• Diversity & Community Studies (DCS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/dcs)

• Economics (So Campus) (ECO) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/eco)
• Economics (Univ) (ECON) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/econ)
• Education (EDU) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/edu)
• Electrical Engineering (EE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ee)
• Elementary Education (ELED) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/eled)
• Engineering (ENGR) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/engr)
• Engineering Mechanics (EM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/em)
• English (So Campus) (ENGL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/engl)
• English (Univ) (ENG) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/eng)
• Entrepreneurship (ENT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ent)
• Environmental Science (ENV) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/env)
• Exercise Science (EXS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/exs)

• Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/facs)
• Film (FILM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/film)
• Finance (FIN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/fin)
• Finance (So Campus) (FINC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/finc)
• Folk Studies (FLK) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/flk)
• French (FREN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/fren)

• Gender & Women’s Studies (GWS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/gws)
• Geographic Info Science (GISC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/gisc)
• Geography (GEOG) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/geog)
• Geology (GEOL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/geol)
• German (GERM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/germ)
• Gerontology (GERO) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/gero)

• Health Care Administration (HCA) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hca)
• Health Education (So Campus) (HED) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hed)
• Health Information Management (HIM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/him)
• History (HIST) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hist)
• Honors (HON) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hon)
• Horticulture (HORT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hort)
• Hospitality Mgt/Dietetics (HMD) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hmd)
• Humanities Semester (HUM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hum)

I
• Information Systems-So Campus (INS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ins)
• Instructional Design (ID) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/id)
• Intercultural Studies (INT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/int)
• Interdisc. Early Childhood Ed. (IECE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/iece)
• Interdisciplinary Studies(BIS) (IDST) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/idst)
• Interior Design Fashion Merch (IDFM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/idfm)
• Italian (ITAL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ital)

J
• Japanese (JAPN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/japn)
• Journalism (JOUR) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/jour)

K
• Korean (KORE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/kore)

L
• Leadership Studies (LEAD) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/lead)
• Library Media Education (LME) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/lme)
• Literacy (LTCY) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ltcy)

M
• Management (MGT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mgt)
• Management (So Campus) (MGMT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mgmt)
• Manufacturing Mgmt (So Campus) (MFG) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mfg)
• Marketing (MKT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mkt)
• Mathematics (So Campus) (MA) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ma)
• Mathematics (Univ) (MATH) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/math)
• Mechanical Engineering (ME) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/me)
• Meteorology (METR) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/metr)
• Middle Grades Education (MGE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mge)
• Military Science (MIL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mil)
• Modern Languages (MLNG) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mlng)
• Music (MUS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mus)

N
• Nursing (NURS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/nurs)
• Nursing (So Campus) (NUR) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/nur)

O
• Office Systems Tech-So Campus (OST) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ost)

P
• Paralegal Studies (PLS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pls)
• Performing Arts (PERF) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/perf)
• Philosophy (PHIL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/phil)
• Photojournalism (PJ) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pj)
• Physical Ed - Movement Studies (PEMS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pems)
• Physical Ed - Teacher Ed (PETE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pete)
• Physical Education (PE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pe)
• Physics (PHYS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/phys)
• Political Science (PS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ps)
• Popular Culture Studies (POP) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pop)
• Potter Coll of Arts & Letters (PCAL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pcal)
• Psychological Sciences (PSYS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/psys)
• Psychology (PSY) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/psy)
• Public Health (PH) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ph)
• Public Relations (PR) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pr)

R
• Real Estate (So Campus) (RE) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/re)
• Recreation (REC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/rec)
• Religious Studies (RELS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/rels)
• Russian (RUSS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/russ)

S
• Safety (SFTY) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/sfty)
• School of Media (SJB) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/sjb)
• School of Professional Studies (SPS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/sps)
• School of University Studies (SUS) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/sus)
• Science/Math Education (SMED) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/smed)
• Secondary Education (SEC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/sec)
• Social Work (SWRK) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/swrk)
• Sociology (SOCL) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/socl)
• Spanish (So Campus) (SPN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/spn)
• Spanish (SPAN) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/span)
• Special Education (SPED) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/sped)
• Sport Management (SPM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/spm)
• Statistics (STAT) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/stat)
• Swahili (SWAH) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/swah)

T
• Theatre (THEA) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/thea)

U
• University Experience (Univ) (UC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/uc)
• University Experience-So Camp (UCC) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ucc)
• Utility Management (UM) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/um)

• Water/Wastewater Technology (WTTI) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/wtti)
• Workforce Administration (WFA) (http://catalog.wku.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/wfa)