

Quick Reference: Graduation Requirements

Consult <http://www.mtholyoke.edu/registrar/ab> for full details. These requirements are applicable to students graduating in 2015 or beyond with entrance to the College in fall 2011 or later (for additional applicability exceptions, consult the website). It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all graduation requirements will be met.

Requirement:	How to meet the requirement:	Designated as:	Important notes:
Humanities	One 4-credit course designated in Division I: Humanities.	Course Type = I	A foreign language literature course cannot be double-counted towards both the Humanities and language requirements.
Science & Math	One 4-credit course designated in Division II: Science and Mathematics.	Course Type = II	
Social Sciences	One 4-credit course designated in Division III: Social Sciences.	Course Type = III	
Multicultural Perspectives	One 4-credit course designated as Multicultural Perspectives.	Course Type = MP	"MP" courses may be double-counted towards any other graduation requirement.
First-Year Seminar	One 4-credit course that is designated a first-year seminar.	Course Subject = FYSEM or Course Type = FY	Transfer and Frances Perkins students who entered the College as sophomores or juniors are exempt from the FYSEM requirement. As of Fall 2016, a First-Year Seminar cannot be counted to fulfill both the first-year seminar requirement and any other requirement. Before Fall 2016, double-counting the seminar was allowed.
Language	One 4-credit designated course studying a language other than English.	Course Type = LANG	Students whose first language is not English and whose past study meets particular requirements may be eligible for exemption. See website for particulars.
Physical Education	Four PE units by the end of the fourth semester at the College. (Transfers & FPs only need complete 2 units.)	Course Type = PE Comments indicate PE units.	PE units are not academic credits and do not count toward the 128 academic credits required for graduation.
Credits	128 credits. 68 of these must be in courses outside of the student's major field of study unless the student has a second, special, or interdisciplinary major.	Credits	A maximum of 16 credits of independent study can count towards the 128. A maximum of 12 credits of CUSP or non-liberal-arts courses can count towards the 128.
Residency	Complete 64 credits while at Mount Holyoke during the sophomore, junior, and senior years. And be registered for four semesters at Mount Holyoke during those years.		Courses taken through the Five-College Interchange during Fall and Spring semesters while at MHC can count towards the 64 residency credits.
GPA	A 2.00 cumulative grade point average.		
Major	Complete a major.		Discuss major requirements with the appropriate department chair(s). Declare the major early in the second semester of the sophomore year.
Optional	Each student may elect to add a second major or a minor (but not both), and, if desired, one Five College certificate and/or one Nexus.		A course may not be double-counted between majors or the major and the minor, but may be double-counted between those and a 5College certificate and/or a Nexus.