

GORDON RULE

The Gordon Rule applies to the AA degree program. It requires that students complete 24,000 words of writing and requires six credit hours (two three credit courses) of college-level mathematics.

In the AA degree program, the Gordon Rule writing requirement applies to English, humanities and social/behavioral science courses. The Gordon Rule mathematics requirement applies to all mathematics courses that can be taken to fulfill the AA degree mathematics requirement. Students are required to earn a grade of "C" or higher in all Gordon Rule courses.

When scheduling their courses, students should be aware of how many Gordon Rule writing courses they are taking. Both English Composition I (ENC 1101) and English Composition II (ENC 1102) have a 6,000 word writing requirement. All humanities and social/behavioral science courses have a 3,000 word writing requirement. So, students who take several Gordon Rule course at the same time may be writing thousands of words.

Here's an example schedule:

Course	Number of Words	Grade Requirement
ENC 1101 English Composition I	6,000	C
PSY 2012 General Psychology	3,000	C
REL 2300 World Religions	3,000	C
MAC 1105	0	C
Total Word Requirement	12,000	

Students who wish to take a schedule consisting of several Gordon Rule requirements should consider their strengths as a writer and the time commitment involved in taking classes of this nature in relation to their personal schedule.