

CGS CURRICULUM

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	SEMESTER ONE Boston Spring 2026	SUMMER SEMESTER London or Boston Summer 2026	SEMESTER THREE Boston Fall 2026	SEMESTER FOUR Boston Spring 2027	NOTES
SOCIAL SCIENCES	<p>SS 103: Politics, Economies, and Social Change in the West: The Ancient World Through the Enlightenment (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Historical Sociology, including Political Science and Economics</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Social Inquiry I; The Individual in Community; Critical Thinking</p>	<p>SS 104: Politics, Economies, and Social Change in the West: The Industrial Revolution to the Digital Revolution (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Historical Sociology, including Political Science and Economics</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy; Social Inquiry II; Critical Thinking</p>	<p>SS 201: Radicals, Rebels and Revolutionaries: Agents of Global Change (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: History, Political Theory</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy; Writing-Intensive Course; Research and Information Literacy</p>	<p>SS 202: American Foreign Policy Since World War II (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Political Science, International Relations</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Historical Consciousness; Research and Information Literacy; Writing-Intensive Course</p>	<p>SS 104 is required and is taken during the summer semester. Students select at least two additional SS courses and will work with their academic advisor to determine course selection.</p>
HUMANITIES	<p>HU 103: Literature & Art from the Ancient World to the Enlightenment (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Literature, Art History, Aesthetic Theory, Film</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Aesthetic Exploration; Critical Thinking; Historical Consciousness</p>	<p>HU 104: Literature & Art from the Industrial Revolution to the Digital Revolution (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Literature, Art History, Aesthetic Theory</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Aesthetic Exploration; Critical Thinking; Historical Consciousness</p>	<p>HU 201: History of Ethics Topics Covered: Philosophy, Art, Film, Literature</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Philosophical Inquiry and Life's Meanings; Ethical Reasoning, Critical Thinking</p>	<p>HU 202: Modern and Applied Ethics (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Philosophy, Art, Film, Literature</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Philosophical Inquiry and Life's Meanings; Ethical Reasoning; Creativity/Innovation</p>	<p>HU 104 is required and is taken during the summer semester. Students select at least two additional HU courses and will work with their academic advisor to determine course selection.</p>
RHETORIC	<p>RH 103: Rhetorical Practices From the Ancient World to Enlightenment (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: History of Rhetoric, Research Skills, Integrating Sources</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Writing, Research and Inquiry; Oral and/or Signed Communication; Research and Information Literacy</p>	<p>RH 104: Rhetorical Practices From the Industrial Revolution Through the Digital Revolution (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Close Reading, Argumentation, Critical Thinking, Style</p> <p>Hub Capacities: First-Year Writing Seminar; Digital/Multimedia Expression; Critical Thinking</p>			<p>RH 103 and RH 104 are required and are taken during your first year.</p>
NATURAL SCIENCE			<p>NS 201: Biology I (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Cosmology, Evolution, Biological Chemistry, Genetics</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Quantitative Reasoning I; Scientific Inquiry I; Critical Thinking</p>	<p>NS 202: Human and Global Ecology (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Climatology, Environmental Chemistry, Population Biology</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Scientific Inquiry II; Teamwork/ Collaboration</p>	<p>NS 201 and NS 202 are required and are taken during your sophomore year.</p>
ELECTIVES	<p>Elective toward your major</p>		<p>Elective toward your major</p>	<p>Elective toward your major</p>	<p>The summer semester is comprised of three CGS courses only. The other semesters consist of CGS courses and electives toward your major.</p>