

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A. Liberal Arts / B.A. Environmental and Sustainability Studies Pathway
2021-2022

A.A. Liberal Arts

ADVANCE Program Milestones

ADVANCE Milestone Requirements: All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#6, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are highly encouraged to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA graduation by March 1 for spring graduation or June 1 for summer graduation. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA graduation by October 1 for winter graduation.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework in no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must:
 - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
 - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills OR SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
4	World Language #1	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	College Req or General Elective
5	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
6	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	General Elective
7	World Language #2	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	College Req or General Elective
8	MTH 245 Required (NOVA Catalog: MTH 245 or Transfer Elective)	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Major
9	Science Course #1	4	ENV 121 General Environmental Science I	EVPP 108/109	Nat Science
10	ENG Literature Elective	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story OR ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II OR ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	Literature
11	World Language #3	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	College Req or General Elective
12	HIS Course #1	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II OR HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ
13	Science Course #2	4	ENV 122 General Environmental Science II	EVPP 112/113	Nat Science
14	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	ECO 202 Microeconomics	ECON 103	Soc/Behav & Major

15	World Language #4	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 202 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	College Req or General Elective
16	Open Elective #1	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts OR ITE 119 Information Literacy	IT 103 IT 104	Info Tech
17	Open Elective #2 (This elective must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - Please see your Success Coach)	3	ART 100 Art Appreciation OR ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I OR ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II OR CST 130 Introduction to Theatre OR CST 151 Film Appreciation I OR MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	ARTH 101 ARTH 200 ARTH 201 THR 101 ENGL L372 MUSI 101	Arts
18	HIS Course #2	3	HIS 203 History of African Civilization I OR HIS 231 History of Latin American Civilizations I OR HIS 251 History of Middle East Civilization I OR HIS 253 History of Asian Civilizations I	HIST 261 HIST 271 HIST 281 HIST 251	Global
19	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	REL 100 Introduction to the Study of Religion OR REL 231 Religions of the World I OR REL 232 Religions of the World II	RELI 100 RELI 212 RELI 211	College Req: Phil/Rel
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography	GGG 101	College Req: Non- Western & 2nd Soc/Behav
21	HUM 298	1	HUM 298 Seminar and Project – Liberal Arts	N/A	AA Degree Requirement

A.A. LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE

60-62

TOTAL

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

B.A. Environmental & Sustainability Studies

Concentrations: Business and Sustainability; Climate Change and Society; Environmental Policy and Economics; Equity and Environmental Justice; Sustainable Food and Agriculture; Conservation and Sustainability.

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
22	Gen Ed: Arts	0-3	Any approved Mason Core Arts course ¹ (<i>if not completed at NOVA</i>)	Arts
23	Core Courses in Major	4	INTS 210 Sustainable World	Major
24	Core Courses in Major	3	EVPP 336 Human Dimensions of the Environment	Major
25	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper- level)	3	ENGL 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
26	Core Courses in Major	4	INTS 334 Environmental Justice	Writing Intensive
27	Core Courses in Major	3	EVPP 361 Introduction to Environmental Policy OR GOVT 361 Introduction to Environmental Policy	Major
28	Concentration in the Major	3	Approved Concentration course ²	Major
29	Concentration in the Major	3	Approved Concentration course ²	Major
30	Core Courses in Major	3	EVPP 377 Applied Ecology	Major
31	Concentration in the Major	3	Approved Concentration course ²	Major
32	General Elective	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
33	General Elective	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
34	Core Courses in Major	3	EVPP 322 Business and Sustainability	Major
35	Concentration in the Major	3	Approved Concentration course ²	Major
36	Concentration in the Major	3	Approved Concentration course ²	Major
37	Concentration in the Major	3	Approved Concentration course ²	Major

38	Core Courses in Major	3	INTS 390 International Internship OR INTS 398 Field-Based Work OR INTS 498 Field-Based Work OR INTS 490 Internship OR EVPP 395 Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy OR EVPP 494 Internship	Major
39	Gen Ed: Synthesis	4	EVPP 480 Sustainability in Action	Synthesis
40	General Elective	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
41	General Elective	1-3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective

B.A. ENVR & SUST. STUDIES		120		
DEGREE TOTAL				

Important Academic Information:

¹For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

²For approved concentration or college requirement course, please visit: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/science/environmental-policy/environmental-sustainability-studies-ba-cos/#requirementstext>

Additional General Notes & Resources:

- Students pursuing this degree must complete a minimum of 60 credits within the major, with a minimum grade of C in each course.
- ADVANCE students who earn at least a 2.85 cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeated D/F grades may be eligible to receive a waiver for any lower-level Mason Core courses not already completed. To be eligible for the core waiver, students must also complete the requirements of the AA or AS degree listed on their pathway, and apply to graduate from NOVA by the deadline (see milestone #3). Students must meet these criteria by the time of matriculation to Mason and provide the Office of Admissions a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date.
- For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.