AUC sample curriculum overview

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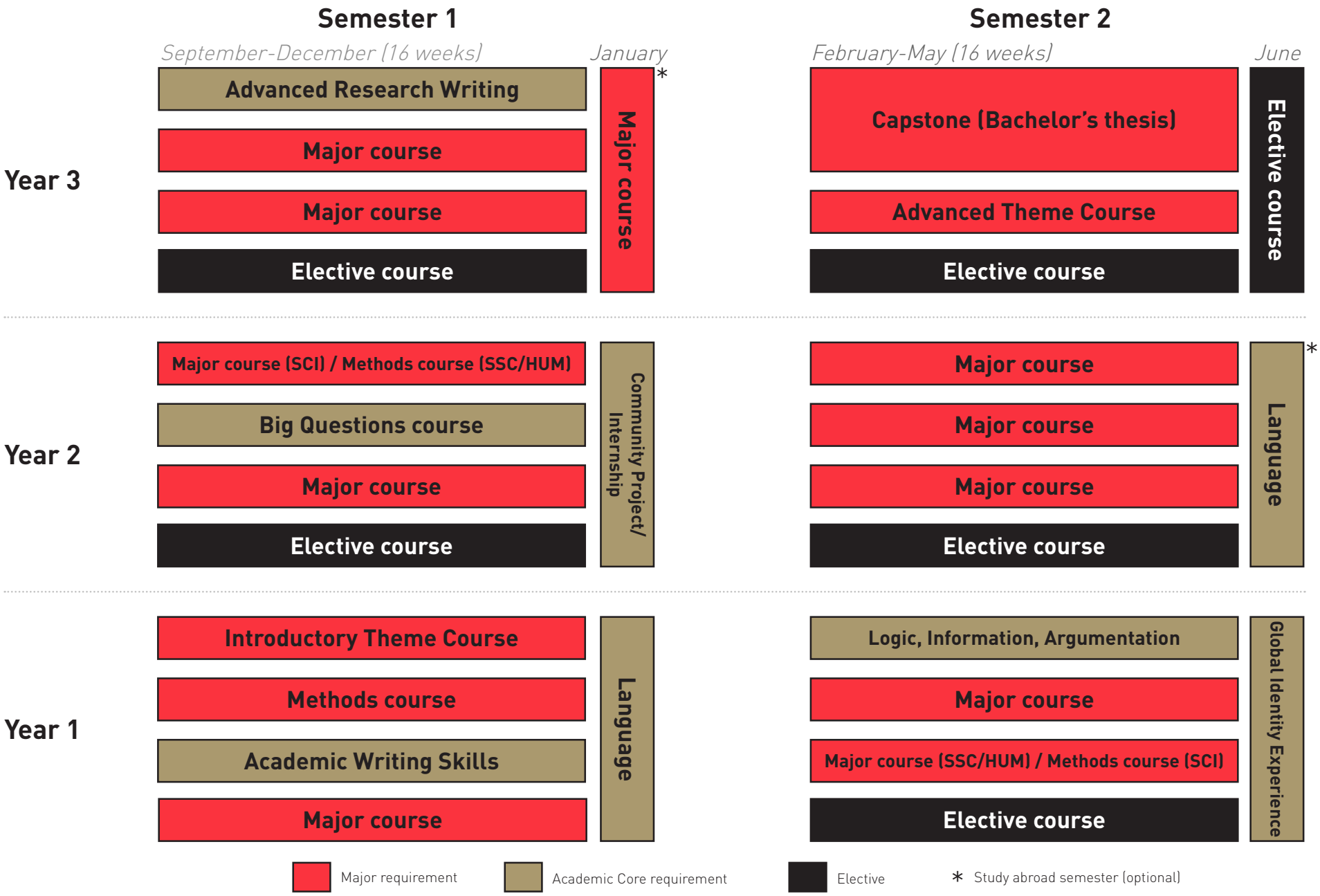

AUC sample curriculum explanation

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Major requirements (14 courses + Capstone)

Each student at AUC is either a Sciences, Social Sciences or Humanities major. All courses in the AUC programme are classified as part of the Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities or Academic Core, with some being cross-listed between two or more majors. They are also assigned a level of 100, 200 or 300, which corresponds to how advanced the course is. The courses you must take to fulfil the major requirements are as follows:

Sciences major requirements

- Ten disciplinary courses in the Sciences
  - At least three of which are at the 300-level
  - At least one of which is a lab course
- Two theme courses in the Sciences
- The following methodology courses:
  - First year: Calculus
  - First year: Linear Algebra **or** Statistics for Sciences
- Capstone (Bachelor's thesis)

Social Sciences major requirements

- Ten disciplinary courses in the Social Sciences
  - At least three of which are at the 300-level
- Two theme courses in the Social Sciences
- A choice of the following methodology courses:
  - First year (choose one): Basic Research Methods and Statistics I **or** Statistics for Sciences
  - Second year (choose one): Basic Research Methods and Statistics II **or** Qualitative Research Methods **or** Calculus for Economics
- Capstone (Bachelor's thesis)

Humanities major requirements

- Ten disciplinary courses in the Humanities
  - At least three of which are at the 300-level
- Two theme courses in the Humanities
- The following methodology courses:
  - First year: Introduction to Literary and Cultural Theory
  - Second year: Introduction to Visual Methodologies
- Capstone (Bachelor's thesis)

Academic Core requirements (8 courses)

The following Academic Core courses are classes which all AUC students are required to take:

1. Academic Writing Skills
2. Logic, Information, Argumentation
3. The Global Identity Experience
4. Advanced Research Writing
5. One 'Big Questions' course
6. Language course I
7. Language course II (next level/consecutive course of Language course I)
8. Community Project or Internship (CPI)

Electives (6 courses)

Electives are freely chosen courses. Students may take their elective courses within their major, outside of their major or while studying abroad. Within their electives, each student must take at least one course from the other two majors than their own (i.e. if you're a Humanities major, you must also take at least one course from the Sciences and one course from the Social Sciences). Electives allow for flexibility in the programme and provide room for students to create individualised, interdisciplinary curricula that suit their interests and goals.

Options and variations

The curriculum of all students will slightly vary from this sample. For example, some students may take more electives or major courses in a given semester. Other students may choose to do their community project or internship during the 16-week period, and others may choose to do two community projects or internships during their time at AUC. Still others will take courses off-campus at the University of Amsterdam or Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, or study abroad for a semester. Please note that students who apply and are accepted typically study abroad during the second semester of their second year or during the first semester of their third year. With many variations and areas of study possible, use this sample curriculum in conjunction with the course overviews as a guide to explore how you can construct your own personalised version of the AUC curriculum.

For questions about the AUC curriculum, please feel free to visit our website at www.auc.nl or to contact us via www.auc.nl/contact.

Academic Core 2021-2022

	Language	Interdisciplinary competencies	Disciplinary methods	LAS competencies	
300	***B.2.2*** *: German **, Dutch **, French **, Spanish*				300
	B.2.1 *: German *, Dutch, French, Spanish*				
	*Arabic III **, Chinese III **		Advanced Research Methods & Statistics **	Capstone	
200		Big Questions in the Senses **			
		Big Questions in Artificial Intelligence and Data **			
		Big Questions in Consciousness **			
		Big Questions in the Anthropocene			200
		Big Questions: Language, Power & (Dis)empowerment *			
	B.1.2 *: German **, Dutch, French, Spanish*	Big Questions in Bioethics *	Introduction to Visual Methodologies	Community Project	
	B.1.1 *: German **, Dutch, French, Spanish*	Big Questions on the Environment: Science, Society & Culture **	Qualitative Research Methods	Internship	
	Arabic II, Chinese II	Big Questions in Time	Basic Research Methods & Statistics II	Advanced Research Writing	
100			Introduction to Literary & Cultural Theory		
			Calculus for Economics		
			Statistics for Sciences		100
	A2 *: German *, Dutch (i), French, Spanish (i)*		Linear Algebra	*The Global Identity Experience*	
	A1 *: German **, Dutch, French, Spanish*		Calculus	Logic, Information, Argumentation	
	Arabic I, Chinese I		Basic Research Methods & Statistics I	Academic Writing Skills *	

(i) Spanish A2 & Dutch A2 offered in all periods

ACC	ACC/SSC
ACC/SSC/SCI	ACC/HUM
ACC/SCI	

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Humanities 2021-2022

Theme: Cities & Cultures

	Literature	Film	Philosophy	History	Culture	Media	Art History	
300	**Theme Courses:** Rethinking Play **; Rethinking Protest **; Rethinking the Sublime **							300
	Existentialism in Literature & Philosophy **		Existentialism in Literature & Philosophy **		Visual Culture **			
		Film Philosophy **			Cultural Studies of Affect & Emotion *			
			Mathematical Logic *		Digital Anthropology **			
	Political Shakespeare **		Legal & Social Philosophy *		Race, Class, Gender, Intersectionality *			
	Literature of Social Exclusion *		Comparative Philosophy *	Cultural Memory Studies *		Media Archaeology *		
	Contemporary Postcolonial Literature **	Film & the Body **	*Modern Philosophical Texts* *	Democracy in Modern History *	*Urban Anthropology Lab* **	*Media Lab* **	The Art Market & Culture Industry **	
	Advanced Creative Writing **	Cinema in the Digital Age *	*Ancient Philosophical Texts* **	Topics in Global History **	Religion, Secularism & Violence *	Media Psychology **	Photograph as Socio-Political Document *	
200	Modernism & Postmodernism *	*Film Lab* *	Ethics					200
	Narrative Across Media *		Philosophical Logic *			Narrative Across Media *		
	Author in Context *	National Cinemas *	Philosophy of Science *	*History Lab* *		Journalism *		
	Literary Ecologies *	Documentary *	The History of Ideas **		Gender & Sexuality **	Documentary *	Global Modern & Contemporary Art **	
	Creative Writing	Film Analysis **	World Religions *	Nations, Nationalism & Modernity **	Sociology of the Other *	Perspectives on Games **	*Urban Utopias* **	
	Adaptation Studies **		Philosophical Controversies **	Counterculture **		New Media Analysis **	Portraiture & the Body *	
	Methods 2: Introduction to Visual Methodologies							
100							Performing Arts: Music **	100
	Performing Arts: Theatre *			Early to Modern History **			Periods & Genres: Modern **	
	Introduction to Literature **	Introduction to Film Studies	History of Philosophy	A Golden Age? History & Heritage of the Dutch Republic *	Introduction to Cultural Analysis **	Introduction to Media Studies	Periods & Genres: Early *	
	Methods 1: Introduction to Literary & Cultural Theory							
	Theme Course: Introduction to Cities & Cultures *							

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Social Sciences 2021-2022

Themes: Health & Well-being (HW) | Social Systems | Information, Communication, Cognition (ICC)

Health & Well-being	Social Systems	ICC

	Health	Anthropology	Environmental Economics & Policy	Economics	Law	Political Science	International Relations	Sociology	Cognition	
300	Theme Health & Well-being: Lifestyle & Disease **	Theme: Global Culture **			Theme: Global Politics **		Theme: Global Economics **		Theme International Social Cognition **	300
		Theme: Energy, Climate & Sustainability: Case Study **								
	Advanced Research Methods & Statistics **									
			Corporate Social Responsibility **							
		International Sustainable Development **		International Business Contract Law *			International Sustainable Development **	Literature of Social Exclusion *		
		Photograph as Socio-Political Document *		Art Market **	Criminal Justice Systems **		Topics in Global History **			
		Digital Anthropology **		*Market Failures* *	European Union Law *	International (Dis-) Order: Past & Present **	Violence & Conflict			
		Religion, Secularism & Violence *	*Geodesign Lab* **	Advanced Micro-Economics *	Global Environmental Governance	Political Shakespeare **	International Crimes	Race, Class, Gender, Intersectionality **		
	Human Stress Research *	Race Class Gender Intersectionality **	Global Environmental Governance	Advanced Macro-Economics **	Legal & Social Philosophy *	Political Communication & Data Analytics *	Global Environmental Governance	Migration, Integration & Diversity *	Media Psychology **	
	Addiction **	*Urban Anthropology Lab* **	*Urban Environment Lab* **	Promotion & Regulation of the Economy *	*Moot Court Lab**	Comparative Public Policy **	*Diplomacy Lab*	Cultural Memory Studies *	*The Empathic Brain*	
200		*Data Futures Lab***				Democracy in Modern History *	*History Lab**			200
	Medical Anthropology **					Empire & Its Afterlives**		*Data Futures Lab***		
	Gastronomy: the Applied Sciences of Cooking *	World Religions *			Human Rights Law & Politics *	Ethics	Human Rights Law & Politics *	Nations, Nationalism & Modernity **	Brain & Cognition **	
	Brain & Cognition **	Journalism *	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems *	*Econometrics* **	International Law **	*Data Futures Lab**	*Peace Lab (Rwanda * / Kosovo **)*	Inequality & Poverty **	*Cognition Lab* **	
	International Public Health **	*Ethnographic Fieldwork for the 21st Century* *	Environmental Law & Policy *	International Trade, Growth & Development **	Environmental Law & Policy *	The Politics of Modernity *	Human Rights & Human Security	Ethnographic Fieldwork for the 21st Century *	Perception & Attention **	
	Nutrition & Health *	Gender & Sexuality **	*Risk Management & Natural Hazards* *	Fundamentals of Macro-Economics *	Principles of Private Law *	European Integration **		Sociology of the Other *	Developmental Psychology **	
	Epidemiology *	Anthropologies of Community **	The Sustainable City **	Fundamentals of Micro-Economics *	Constitutional & Administrative Law **	Democracy in Crisis *	International Political Economy *	Contemporary Sociological Thought *	Cognitive Psychology *	
	Philosophy of Science *									
	Qualitative Research Methods				Basic Research Methods & Statistics II					
100				Perspectives on Economic Thought **						100
			Environmental Economics **						Linguistics **	
	Introduction to Public Health	Classical & Modern Anthropological Thought	Introduction to Environmental Sciences *	Economic Thought in a Historical Perspective*	Law, Society & Justice *	Classical & Modern Political Thought	International Relations Theory & Practice	Classical & Modern Sociological Thought **	Psychology	
	Calculus for Economics				Basic Research Methods & Statistics I					
		Theme: Climate & Sustainability *								
	Theme Health & Well-being: Introduction *	Theme: Political Science, Law, Economics (PLE) *			Theme: Sociology, Anthropology, Sustainability (SAS) *				Theme ICC: Introduction *	

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Sciences 2021-2022

Information, Communication, Cognition (ICC)

Life, Evolution, Universe (LEU)

Energy, Climate, Sustainability (ECS)

Health & Well-being (HW)

	Information	Maths	Physics	Chemistry	Earth & Environment	Biology	Biomedical	Health	
300	Theme Course: Quantum Information & Quantum Communication **			Theme Course: Human Evolution **			Theme Health & Well-being: Lifestyle & Disease **		300
			Theme Energy, Climate & Sustainability: Case Study **			Theme Course LEU/HW: Wicked Challenges of Health **			
	Advanced Research Methods & Statistics **								
	Discrete Mathematics & Algebra *				*Urban Environment Lab* **	Infectious Diseases **			
	Mathematical Logic *		Astroparticle Physics **		Advanced Geosciences **	Epigenetic Regulations **	Clinical Neurosciences **	*The Empathic Brain* *,**	
	Text Mining **	Financial Mathematics **	Nanoscience **	Atmospheric Sciences **		Cancer Biology & Treatment *	Cardiovascular Diseases *	Addiction **	
	Modelling Real World Problems **	Partial Differential Equations *	Mathematics of Physics *		Climate Sciences: Past & Present *	Conservation & Restoration Biology *	Neuroscience *	Human Stress Research *	
200								*Health Lab* **	200
	Information Lab **		*Physics Lab* **				*Molecular Techniques Lab* **	Medical Anthropology **	
	Maker Lab **	Numerical Mathematics **	Maker Lab **	*Pharmacology* **	*Field Course: Environmental Earth Sciences* **		Genes, Bioinformatics & Disease **	Nutrition & Health **	
	Advanced Programming **	Probability & Statistics **	Electrodynamics **	Medicinal Chemistry **	Hydrology & Watershed Management **		Metabolic Biochemistry **	Brain & Cognition **	
	Philosophical Logic *	Philosophy of Science *	*Statistical Mechanics* *	*Environmental Chemistry/ Eco-Toxicology* *	Introduction to GIS *	*Cell Biology & Physiology Lab* **	Hormones & Homeostasis **	International Public Health **	
	Machine Learning *	Dynamical Systems *	Quantum Physics *	Organic Chemistry *	*Risk Management & Natural Hazards* *	Molecular Cell Biology *	*Human Body - Anatomy & Physiology II* *	*Gastronomy: the Applied Sciences of Cooking**	
	Data Structure & Algorithms *	Vector Calculus	Thermodynamics *		System Earth *	Evolution & Origin of Human Diseases *	Immunology *	Epidemiology *	
100		Linear Algebra							100
		Statistics for Sciences	Electricity & Magnetism **		Introduction to Geological Sciences **	Ecology: from Soil to Society **			
	Programming Your World	Calculus	Introduction to Physics *	Introduction to Chemistry	Introduction to Environmental Sciences	Introduction to Biology *	The Human Body - Anatomy & Physiology	Introduction to Public Health	
	Theme Information, Communication & Cognition: Introduction *	Theme Course: Climate & Energy *							
		Theme Life, Evolution & Universe: Introduction *							
				Theme Course: Climate & Sustainability *					
					Theme Health & Well-being: Introduction *				

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