Quick Tips...

- Max credit limit / semester: 17
  - for overrides, see: https://www.umb.edu/registrar/academic_policies/credit_load
- Number of credits required to be considered full-time: 12
- University Policy on Pass/fail option: one per semester, 8 total allowed
  - Different departments/majors have policies about P/F and major requirements. Students should always defer to major department.
- For course repeats, see https://www.umb.edu/registrar/academic_policies/course_repeat_policy

Distribution Requirements

- To develop a broad familiarity with the range of human knowledge, students must complete, or earn transfer credit for, certain courses in four broad areas of study.
- Distribution requirements are university mandated; they cannot be waived.

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<th>Distribution Area</th>
<th>BS</th>
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<td>Arts (AR)</td>
<td>1 AR</td>
<td>3 courses, including one Arts course and one Humanities course</td>
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<td>Humanities (HU)</td>
<td>1 HU</td>
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<td>Math / Tech (MT)</td>
<td>4 total, at least 1 NS</td>
<td>3 courses, at least 1 NS</td>
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<td>Natural Science (NS)</td>
<td>Any mathematics course must be at the level of Calculus II or higher</td>
<td>Any mathematics course must be at the level of Math 125 or higher</td>
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<td>Social and Behavioral Science (SB)</td>
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<td>World Culture/World Language (WC/ WL)</td>
<td>1 WC course or 1 WL course at the 102 level or higher</td>
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Diversity Requirement

- If a student enters UMass Boston with **fewer than 60 credits**, they must take one course in United States diversity and one course in international diversity.
- If a student enters UMass Boston with **60 or more credits**, they must take one course, which can be either United States or international diversity.

Freshman & Intermediate Seminars

- are required of all students
- are intended to increase a student's ability to think and write critically
- Freshman seminars are waived for incoming transfer students with more than **30 credits**
- Intermediate and Freshman seminars are waived for incoming transfer students with more than **60 credits**

For more information, click [here](#)