

Bethany Plan - Requirements for a Bethany Degree for Students Entering Prior to 2022-2023 Academic Year

All students pursuing a bachelor's degree must complete The Bethany Plan – a detailed academic and co-curricular program, focused on building skills employers seek, and grounded in the liberal arts. Bethany has achieved national distinction as one of the few institutions requiring a Senior Capstone Project and written and oral Senior Comprehensive Exams.

Bethany College confers a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science degree to a student who has satisfactorily completed the following requirements:

- 128 credits with a minimum grade-point average of 2.00, including completion of the following:
 - the [First-Year Experience](#)
 - First-Year Orientation ([BFYE 100](#))
 - First-Year Seminar ([BFYE 101](#))
 - First-Year Professional Learning Community ([BFYE 102](#))
 - The [Bethany Writing Requirement](#)
 - The [Bethany Fitness/Physical Activity Requirement](#)
 - The [Global Awareness Core](#)
 - [Liberal Arts Core](#)
 - a [Major Field of Study](#)
 - a [Senior Capstone Project](#) in the major field
- the [senior comprehensive examination](#) in the major field of study
- the [residence requirement](#)

Students who have not completed all degree requirements by the time final grades are due will not be permitted to participate in graduation activities that include but are not limited to the Baccalaureate and Commencement ceremonies, including 'walking' with the class at these activities. The only exceptions will be in the case of students who need to fulfill the 128-credits minimum and are short by three credits, and who have presented acceptable evidence that they are enrolled in an approved Summer Term course at an accredited institution in the summer immediately subsequent to the term of the graduation ceremonies in question. 'Acceptable evidence' and 'approved Summer Term course' will be determined by the Registrar.

Bachelor of Arts degrees are awarded in Accounting, Communications and Media Arts, Computer Science, Criminal Justice, Cybersecurity - Information Assurance, Economics, Education, English, Finance, History, Interdisciplinary Studies, International Business, International Relations, Management, Marketing, Music, Physical Education and Sports Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Religious Studies, Social Work, Spanish, Theatre, and Visual Art. Specific requirements for each major are described in the sections of this Catalogue devoted to the offerings of the individual academic departments.

Bachelor of Science degrees are awarded in Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Cybersecurity, Interdisciplinary Studies, Mathematics, Physical Education and Sport Studies, Physical Science, and Psychology. Specific requirements for each major are described in the sections of this Catalogue devoted to the offerings of the individual academic departments.