

# USM Catalog User's Guide

University of Southern Maine

*Developed Spring 2021*

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Courses offered for graduate credit are those listed in the graduate catalog or other official publications of the University. The determination of whether or not a particular graduate course fulfills degree requirements, however, is the responsibility of the individual graduate program. Courses numbered 500 through 599 are intended for graduate students and are also available to undergraduate students who have received permission from the instructor and their advisor. Courses numbered 600 through 699 are restricted to graduate students and undergraduate students who have been formally accepted into an accelerated graduate pathway. Courses numbered 700 and above are intended for doctoral students and are also available to master's-level graduate students who have received permission from the instructor and their advisor.

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### Financial Aid



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The Student Financial Services office administers, coordinates, and recommends a variety of programs of financial aid including grants and scholarships to enable students who lack adequate financial resources to attend USM. The U.S. Department of Education offers eligible students low interest student loans. Some employers offer assistance in the form of tuition reimbursement, flexible scheduling, or paid educational leaves. Scholarship assistance may also be available from organizations, clubs, or religious groups of which the student or his or her family is a member. The University is also approved by the Veterans Benefits Administration for payment of veterans' benefits. During the most recent academic year, approximately \$75 million in financial aid was available to USM students.

Student Financial Services offices are located in Bailey Hall in Gorham, in Luther Bonney Hall in Portland, and at the Lewiston-Auburn Campus. For more detailed information about the application process, the funds available and the priority filing dates and deadlines, visit us on the Web at <http://usm.maine.edu/student-financial-services>.



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## Course Descriptions



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Filter this list of courses using course prefix, course code, keywords or any combination.

Prefix: Code or Number: Type Keyword or Phrase:

All prefixes... Code or Number: All types... Filter

Find whole word or phrase only.

*Search for courses using course number, keyword or phrase*

### Academic Honors Program

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Click on course name for additional course information

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### Courses - Prefix/Code Matches

Results for course prefix "PSY"

[PSY 100 - Introduction to Psychology](#)

### PSY 100 - Introduction to Psychology



Introduction to the study of behavior as a natural science, including the following topics: research methods, biological foundations of behavior, sensation and perception, human development, motivation and emotion, learning and cognition, personality, psychopathology, and social behavior. This course is a prerequisite for all departmental courses, except [PSY 201](#).

Prerequisite(s):  
Co-requisite(s):  
Credits: 3

Course Typically Offered:  
Course Type: [Psychology](#)

[PSY 201 - Statistics in Psychology](#)

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- [Accelerated Graduate Pathway to MBA](#)
- [Accelerated Graduate Pathway to Occupational Therapy](#)
- [Accelerated Graduate Pathway to Policy, Planning, and Management \(MPPM\)](#)
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- [Accelerated Graduate Pathways to Law](#)
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- [Anthropology Minor](#)
- [Applied Energy Certificate](#)
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- [Applied Geographic Information Systems \(GIS\) Certificate](#)
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- [Archaeology Minor](#)
- [Art History Minor](#)
- [Art, Art and Entrepreneurial Studies Concentration, B.A.](#)
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# Program Requirements

## Communication, B.A.

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Major Requirements (36 credit hours)

A grade of “C” or higher is required in all courses for the major.

#### Foundation Courses (6 credits)

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- [CMS 102 - Introduction to Communication](#) Credits: 3
- [CMS 200 - Research Methods in Communication](#) Credits: 3

#### Communication Courses (15 credits)

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- [CMS 190 - Nonverbal Communication](#) Credits: 3
- [CMS 201 - Introduction to Public Relations](#) Credits: 3
- [CMS 235 - Communicating Security](#) Credits: 3
- [CMS 242 - Communication and Social Media](#) Credits: 3

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Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Adviser Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Catalog: 2020-2021 USM Undergraduate Catalog  
Program: Communication, B.A.  
Minimum Credits Required: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Questions?

## **Major, minor or degree requirements:**

- Undergraduate students with 0-54 credits, contact [USM Academic Advising](#)
- Undergraduate students with 55+ credits & graduate students, contact your faculty advisor

## **Catalog Administration:**

- [USM Registration & Scheduling Office](#)