

Current language for BACRs Criteria:

Criteria for Arts and Humanities Breadth Courses

Courses in this area (100 to 200 level) prepare students to:

- Develop compelling interpretations of texts or artistic products that reflect the field of [*insert the name of the discipline*]'s interpretative conventions.
- Create a well-crafted text or artistic product as determined by the conventions of [*insert the name of the discipline*].
- Describe the historical or socio-cultural conditions that have shaped a given text or artistic product.

Criteria for Natural Science Breadth Courses

Lab-based courses* in this area (100 to 200 level) prepare students to:

- Describe one or more scientific processes used in the field of [*insert the name of the discipline*].
- Explain some aspects of the natural world using quantification.
- Distinguish between knowledge claims that are scientific and those that are not.

**A lab-based natural science course is one in which students regularly collect or use data based on observations of natural phenomena to support a scientific conclusion.*

Criteria for Social Science Breadth Courses

Courses in this area (100 to 200 level) prepare students to:

- Correctly define terms pertinent to [*insert the name of the social science discipline*].
- Apply discipline-specific concepts to explain an aspect of human behavior.
- Analyze a social phenomenon or problem using [*insert the name of the discipline*]'s conventions.

Proposed language for BACRs Criteria:

Criteria for Arts and Humanities Breadth Courses

Courses in this area (100 to 200 level) **focus on preparing** students to:

- Develop compelling interpretations of texts or artistic products that reflect the field of *[insert the name of the discipline]*'s interpretative conventions.
- Create a well-crafted text or artistic product as determined by the conventions of *[insert the name of the discipline]*.
- Describe the historical or socio-cultural conditions that have shaped a given text or artistic product.

**An arts and humanities course is one in which students study how people express, understand, and explore the human experience through analyzing, interpreting, creating, and reflecting on texts and artistic products.*

Criteria for Natural Science Breadth Courses

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- Describe one or more scientific processes used in the field of *[insert the name of the discipline]*.
- Explain some aspects of the natural world using quantification.
- Distinguish between knowledge claims that are scientific and those that are not.

**A lab-based natural science course is one in which students regularly collect or use data based on observations of natural phenomena to support a scientific conclusion.*

Criteria for Social Science Breadth Courses

Courses in this area (100 to 200 level) **focus on preparing** students to:

- Correctly define terms pertinent to *[insert the name of the social science discipline]*.
- Apply discipline-specific concepts to explain an aspect of human behavior.

- Analyze a social phenomenon or problem using [*insert the name of the discipline*]'s conventions.

**A social sciences course is one in which students study human and societal behavior and interaction through the application of scientific and evidence-based methodologies.*