

JAX MIX REQUIREMENTS

Jax MIX is a signature general education program that aligns with JSU's new strategic plan, provides a distinctive educational experience, and prepares students for success at JSU and beyond. This dynamic, innovative program helps students discover new knowledge and skills to reach college and career goals. The program also offers students the opportunity to individualize course selections to achieve badged microcredentials to complement their major program.

Mission

To prepare students to be competent, ethical professionals and engaged, responsible, global citizens through core education centered on human communication, experience, expression, and inquiry. Students are encouraged through general education to reach for connections, engage with experiences, and discover opportunities as they develop skills essential for employability and lifelong learning.

Competencies—The Three C's: Communication, Critical Thinking, and Collaboration

The JSU mission offers that Jax State graduates will be competent, ethical professionals. Key skills for professional success include communication, critical thinking, and collaboration. As effective communicators, students will be able to generate ethical communications that have a clear purpose and are well organized, grammatically correct, and appropriate to the audience. As critical thinkers, they will be able to reason quantitatively, logically, and/or symbolically to analyze and resolve problems. As effective team members, they will be able to develop rapport with others to achieve group cohesion and work effectively and respectfully to develop and accomplish a common goal.

Programmatic Emphasis

Jax MIX provides opportunities for the following knowledge and skills:

- Communication (12 hours): Category of courses that includes English composition, math, and speech
- Experience (12 hours): Category of courses that includes history and social/behavioral sciences
- Expression (9 hours): Category of courses that includes fine arts, literature, and humanities
- Inquiry (8 hours): Category of courses that includes physical, earth, and life sciences

Requirements in these Jax MIX categories align with state-mandated general studies courses. Students transferring in general studies should consult the Jax MIX Transfer Crosswalk for additional details.

Focus Options:

Students may choose a cluster of three courses (9 hours) as a Focus. Available focus options include:

- Community Engagement
- Environmental Stewardship
- Ethical Leadership
- Global Connections
- Media Literacy

These five focus options resonate with students and employers, so that students may choose a pathway through general education and to

achieve 1) an accomplishment for a résumé and 2) first step towards a badged microcredential.

Every current undergraduate student may choose to pursue a Focus, regardless of their catalog year. Statewide articulation agreements mean that courses transferred from another Alabama institution, including community colleges, will be eligible for the Focus course clusters. Upon completion of Focus courses, students will see a course tag in Canvas Credentials, our badging software. A course tag may be awarded temporarily based on information in the Canvas gradebook; if final grades / course completion conflict with that course tag award, the tag may be removed later.

Each focus features a core course and two elective courses. Please see the corresponding tab for the requirements of each focus.

Jax MIX Badged Microcredentials

Microcredentials will be signified by a digital badge. Jax MIX microcredentials require a 3-course focus plus attendance at three events connected to that focus and a work product and reflection related to the focus. The "work product" may be a longer traditional project from any course, an internship, study abroad, research, community service, etc. Sample "work products" and more information about the guided reflection are available in the badge courses. Students planning to acquire a badge should enroll in the appropriate badge course in the semester planned for completion of the events and submission of the work product and reflection. Students may be awarded up to three (3) badges by enrolling in and passing the badge course:

- MIX 295 Community Engagement Badge
- MIX 296 Environmental Stewardship Badge
- MIX 297 Ethical Leadership Badge
- MIX 298 Global Connections Badge
- MIX 299 Media Literacy Badge

Course	Title	Credits
Jax MIX Communication		12
Students must complete a composition sequence (by placement), EH 141, and three semester hours in math as required by the major.		
EH 101	English Composition I ¹	
or EH 103	Honors English Composition I	
or EH 105	Enhanced English Composition I	
EH 102	English Composition II ¹	
or EH 104	Honors English Composition II	
or EH 106	Enhanced English Composition II	
EH 141	Speech	
Mathematics		
MS 110	Finite Mathematics	
MS 111	Honors Finite Mathematics	
MS 112	Precalculus Algebra	
MS 113	Precalculus Trigonometry	
MS 115	Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry	
MS 120	Calculus and Its Applications	
MS 125	Calculus I	
MS 126	Calculus II	
MS 204	Basic Statistics	
MS 205	Honors Basic Statistics	
MS 227	Calculus III	

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Some programs specify which courses are required. Students must complete a minimum of three semester hours in fine arts and a minimum of three semester hours in literature. Students must complete a six-semester hour sequence in either literature or history.

Fine Arts

ART 111	Survey of Art I
ART 112	Survey of Art II (WI)
ART 130	Creative Thinking
ART 202	Art Appreciation
ART 203	Honors Art Appreciation
EH 251	Introduction to Creative Writing
FLM 230	Introduction to Film
MU 233	Introduction to Music
MU 236	Honors Introduction to Music
MU 237	Advanced Intro to Music (WI)
THR 242	Introduction to the Theatre
THR 252	Honors Introduction to the Theatre

Literature and Humanities

EH 201	American Literature I: Beginnings to 1865
EH 202	American Literature II: 1865 to Present
EH 203	British Literature I: Beginnings to 1800
EH 204	British Literature II: 1800 to Present
EH 205	Literature for Life I: Beginnings to 20th Century
EH 206	Literature for Life II: 20th Century to Present
EH 219	Honors Literature I
EH 220	Honors Literature II
EH 231	World Literature I: Beginnings to 1660
EH 232	World Literature II: 1660 to Present
FH 101	Beginner's French I
FH 102	Beginner's French II
FH 201	Intermediate French I
FH 202	Intermediate French II
LAS 101	Beginner Portuguese I
LAS 102	Beginner Portuguese II
SH 101	Beginner's Spanish I
SH 102	Beginner's Spanish II
SH 201	Intermediate Spanish I
SH 202	Intermediate Spanish II

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History

HY 101	Western Civilization I
HY 102	Western Civilization II
HY 103	Honors Western Civilization I
HY 104	Honors Western Civilization II
HY 111	World History I
HY 112	World History II
HY 201	American History I
HY 202	American History II

HY 203	Honors American History I
HY 204	Honors American History II
HY 211	Survey of Latin America to 1810
HY 212	Survey of Latin America since 1810

Social and Behavioral Sciences

AN 224	Introduction to Anthropology
EC 221	Principles of Microeconomics
EC 222	Principles of Macroeconomics
EC 225	Honors Principles of Microeconomics
EC 226	Honors Principles of Macroeconomics
GY 120	World Regional Geography
GY 220	Human Geography
PSC 100	Introduction to American Government
PSC 101	Introduction to Political Science
PSC 102	Introduction to State and Local Government
PSC 103	Honors Introduction to American Government
PSY 201	Principles of Psychology
PSY 202	Honors Principles of Psychology
PSY 222	Human Development
SY 221	Introduction to Sociology
SY 222	Honors Introduction to Sociology
SY 223	Social Problems

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Some programs specify which courses are required. Students must complete eight semester hours of science, which must include two laboratory experiences.

Biology Lecture

BY 101	Introductory Biology I
BY 102	Introductory Biology II
BY 105	Honors Introductory Biology I
BY 106	Honors Introductory Biology II
BY 121	Essentials of Biology
BY 122	Biology of Disease
BY 123	Environmental Biology

Biology Laboratories

BY 103	Introductory Biology Lab I
BY 104	Introductory Biology Lab II
BY 107	Honors Introductory Biology Lab I
BY 108	Honors Intro Biology Lab II

Chemistry

CY 105	General Chemistry I
& CY 107	and General Chemistry Laboratory I
CY 106	General Chemistry II
& CY 108	and General Chemistry Laboratory II
CY 115	Concepts of General Chemistry I
CY 116	Concepts of General Chemistry II

Geology

GL 241	Physical Geology
& GL 243	and Physical Geology Lab
GL 242	Historical Geology
& GL 244	and Historical Geology Lab

Geography

GY 250 & GY 252	Physical Geography I: Atmospheric Patterns and Processes and Physical Geography Lab I
GY 251 & GY 253	Physical Geography II: Landscape Patterns and Processes and Physical Geography Lab II
GY 254	Honors Physical Geography I: Atmospheric Patterns and Processes

Physics	
PHS 201 & PHS 203	College Physics I and College Physics Laboratory Techniques I
PHS 202 & PHS 204	College Physics II and College Physics Laboratory Techniques II
PHS 221	Physics for Scientists and Engineers I w/Lab
PHS 222	Physics for Scientists and Engineers II w/Lab

¹ EH 105 must be taken with EH 115 Writing Studio I (0). EH 106 must be taken with EH 116 Writing Studio II (0).

Community Engagement Focus

Course	Title	Credits
Core Course (select one):		3
PSC 102	Introduction to State and Local Government	
SY 221	Introduction to Sociology	
SY 222	Honors Introduction to Sociology	
Elective Course (select one):		3
ART 130	Creative Thinking	
EH 205	Literature for Life I: Beginnings to 20th Century	
EH 206	Literature for Life II: 20th Century to Present	
FH 101	Beginner's French I	
FH 102	Beginner's French II	
FH 201	Intermediate French I	
FH 202	Intermediate French II	
LAS 101	Beginner Portuguese I	
LAS 102	Beginner Portuguese II	
SH 101	Beginner's Spanish I	
SH 102	Beginner's Spanish II	
SH 201	Intermediate Spanish I	
SH 202	Intermediate Spanish II	
Elective Course (select one):		3
AN 225	Introduction to Archaeology	
BY 122	Biology of Disease	
GY 220	Human Geography	
Total Hours		9

Optional Microcredential Badge is available, see the overview (p. 1) for additional information.

Environmental Stewardship Focus

Course	Title	Credits
Core Course (select one):		3
BY 102	Introductory Biology II	
BY 106	Honors Introductory Biology II	
BY 123	Environmental Biology	

Elective Course (select one):		3
BY 101	Introductory Biology I	
BY 105	Honors Introductory Biology I	
CY 105	General Chemistry I	
CY 106	General Chemistry II	
CY 115	Concepts of General Chemistry I	
CY 116	Concepts of General Chemistry II	
Elective Course (select one):		3
AN 225	Introduction to Archaeology	
ART 130	Creative Thinking	
EH 205	Literature for Life I: Beginnings to 20th Century	
EH 206	Literature for Life II: 20th Century to Present	
GY 220	Human Geography	
GY 250	Physical Geography I: Atmospheric Patterns and Processes	
GY 251	Physical Geography II: Landscape Patterns and Processes	
GY 254	Honors Physical Geography I: Atmospheric Patterns and Processes	

Total Hours 9

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Ethical Leadership Focus

Course	Title	Credits
Core Course:		
EH 141	Speech	3
Elective Course (select one):		3
PSC 101	Introduction to Political Science	
PSY 201	Principles of Psychology	
PSY 202	Honors Principles of Psychology	
SY 221	Introduction to Sociology	
SY 222	Honors Introduction to Sociology	
Elective Course (select one):		3
ART 202	Art Appreciation	
ART 203	Honors Art Appreciation	
EH 205	Literature for Life I: Beginnings to 20th Century	
EH 206	Literature for Life II: 20th Century to Present	
HY 101	Western Civilization I	
HY 102	Western Civilization II	
HY 103	Honors Western Civilization I	
HY 104	Honors Western Civilization II	
HY 111	World History I	
HY 112	World History II	
HY 201	American History I	
HY 202	American History II	
HY 203	Honors American History I	
HY 204	Honors American History II	
HY 211	Survey of Latin America to 1810	
HY 212	Survey of Latin America since 1810	
Total Hours		9

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Global Connections Focus

Course	Title	Credits
Core Course (select one):		3
FH 101	Beginner's French I	
FH 102	Beginner's French II	
FH 201	Intermediate French I	
FH 202	Intermediate French II	
LAS 101	Beginner Portuguese I	
LAS 102	Beginner Portuguese II	
SH 101	Beginner's Spanish I	
SH 102	Beginner's Spanish II	
SH 201	Intermediate Spanish I	
SH 202	Intermediate Spanish II	
Elective Course (select one):		3
GY 120	World Regional Geography	
AN 224	Introduction to Anthropology	
AN 225	Introduction to Archaeology	
HY 111	World History I	
HY 112	World History II	
HY 211	Survey of Latin America to 1810	
HY 212	Survey of Latin America since 1810	
Elective Course (select one):		3
EH 231	World Literature I: Beginnings to 1660	
EH 232	World Literature II: 1660 to Present	
FLM 230	Introduction to Film	
MU 233	Introduction to Music	
MU 236	Honors Introduction to Music	
MU 237	Advanced Intro to Music (WI)	
ART 202	Art Appreciation	
ART 203	Honors Art Appreciation	
THR 242	Introduction to the Theatre	
THR 252	Honors Introduction to the Theatre	
Total Hours		9

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Media Literacy Focus

Course	Title	Credits
Core Course (select one):		3
EH 102	English Composition II	
EH 104	Honors English Composition II	
EH 106	Enhanced English Composition II	
Elective Course (select one):		3
ART 111	Survey of Art I	
ART 112	Survey of Art II (WI)	
ART 202	Art Appreciation	
ART 203	Honors Art Appreciation	
FLM 230	Introduction to Film	
MU 233	Introduction to Music	

MU 236	Honors Introduction to Music	
MU 237	Advanced Intro to Music (WI)	
THR 242	Introduction to the Theatre	
THR 252	Honors Introduction to the Theatre	
Elective Course (select one):		3
PSC 100	Introduction to American Government	
PSC 103	Honors Introduction to American Government	
MS 204	Basic Statistics	
MS 205	Honors Basic Statistics	
PSY 201	Principles of Psychology	
PSY 202	Honors Principles of Psychology	
Total Hours		9

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