

CGS CURRICULUM

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	SEMESTER ONE Boston Spring 2026	SUMMER SEMESTER London or Boston Summer 2026	SEMESTER THREE Boston Fall 2026	SEMESTER FOUR Boston Spring 2027	NOTES
SOCIAL SCIENCES	<p>SS 103: Politics, Economies, and Social Change in the West: The Ancient World Through the Enlightenment (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Historical Sociology, including Political Science and Economics</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Social Inquiry I; The Individual in Community; Critical Thinking</p>	<p>SS 104: Politics, Economies, and Social Change in the West: The Industrial Revolution to the Digital Revolution (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Historical Sociology, including Political Science and Economics</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy; Social Inquiry II; Critical Thinking</p>	<p>SS 201: Radicals, Rebels and Revolutionaries: Agents of Global Change (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: History, Political Theory</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Global Citizenship and Intercultural Literacy; Writing-Intensive Course; Research and Information Literacy</p>	<p>SS 202: American Foreign Policy Since World War II (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Political Science, International Relations</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Historical Consciousness; Research and Information Literacy; Writing-Intensive Course</p>	SS 104 is required and is taken during the summer semester. Students select at least two additional SS courses and will work with their academic advisor to determine course selection.
HUMANITIES	<p>HU 103: Literature & Art from the Ancient World to the Enlightenment (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Literature, Art History, Aesthetic Theory, Film</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Aesthetic Exploration; Critical Thinking; Historical Consciousness</p>	<p>HU 104: Literature & Art from the Industrial Revolution to the Digital Revolution (5 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Literature, Art History, Aesthetic Theory</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Aesthetic Exploration; Critical Thinking; Historical Consciousness</p>	<p>HU 201: History of Ethics</p> <p>Topics Covered: Philosophy, Art, Film, Literature</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Philosophical Inquiry and Life's Meanings; Ethical Reasoning, Critical Thinking</p>	<p>HU 202: Modern and Applied Ethics (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Philosophy, Art, Film, Literature</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Philosophical Inquiry and Life's Meanings; Ethical Reasoning; Creativity/Innovation</p>	HU 104 is required and is taken during the summer semester. Students select at least two additional HU courses and will work with their academic advisor to determine course selection.
RHETORIC	<p>RH 103: Rhetorical Practices From the Ancient World to Enlightenment (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: History of Rhetoric, Research Skills, Integrating Sources</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Writing, Research and Inquiry; Oral and/or Signed Communication; Research and Information Literacy</p>	<p>RH 104: Rhetorical Practices From the Industrial Revolution Through the Digital Revolution (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Close Reading, Argumentation, Critical Thinking, Style</p> <p>Hub Capacities: First-Year Writing Seminar; Digital/Multimedia Expression; Critical Thinking</p>			RH 103 and RH 104 are required and are taken during your first year.
NATURAL SCIENCE			<p>NS 201: Biology I (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Cosmology, Evolution, Biological Chemistry, Genetics</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Quantitative Reasoning I; Scientific Inquiry I; Critical Thinking</p>	<p>NS 202: Human and Global Ecology (4 cr.)</p> <p>Topics Covered: Climatology, Environmental Chemistry, Population Biology</p> <p>Hub Capacities: Scientific Inquiry II; Teamwork/ Collaboration</p>	NS 201 and NS 202 are required and are taken during your sophomore year.
ELECTIVES	Elective toward your major		Elective toward your major	Elective toward your major	The summer semester is comprised of three CGS courses only. The other semesters consist of CGS courses and electives toward your major.