**Timelines**

* **For Undergraduate Online programs marketed with AP Spring of 2025**
* **All new students Fall of 2025**
* **Continuing students will have option old GER or new GER**

**General Distribution of Courses**

Core courses = Total of 8 courses 24-26 Hours\*

* 1st Writing (English 1550\* = 3 SH)
* Approved Math course
* Two Natural Science (NS) courses + 1 SH Lab
* Two Social and Behavioral Science (SS) courses (Must be different disciplines)
* Two Arts and Humanities (AH) courses (Must be different disciplines)
* The above listed courses also constitute the GER for Associates Degrees

Four additional courses required

* 2nd Writing (ENGL 1551 or WID course=3 SH)
* Three options for the remaining 9 SH
	+ Prescribed by major (Example in Nursing)
	+ Thematic Micro credential (see below and requirement may be determined by major)\*Preferred option
	+ Unprescribed option (primarily for candidates in programs such as BGS or for transfer students)
* Communication 1545 recommended but not required

**Policies**

Micro-credentials

* There will be a maximum of 8 micro-credentials
* Micro-credentials must indicate alignment with UWLO
* Micro-credentials will be designed such that no more than one course per prefix (subject code; for example: HIST, CHEM, ART) will be an option
* Each micro-credential shall require 3 courses selected from a list of no more than 6 courses
* Courses are evaluated on a regular basis (as defined by Office of Assessment) to ensure they still align with the micro-credential classifications

Courses

* All 3 credit hours (with exception of ENGL 1549, NS lab and Math\*)
* All current General Education courses shall be required to re-apply to be considered for classification in the new General Education program – No courses will be grandfathered into the program. This sequence for re-application to be defined by the General Education Curriculum committee. The timeline must also be established to meet demands of rollout in January 2025.
* Courses are traditional face to face (15-week sessions for Fall and Spring) or online (7- week sessions) – note summer will follow summer schedules
* Courses shall only be LE courses for HEI classification (with the only exception being the science lab courses)
* Initially, there shall be a maximum of 75 courses in the General Education portfolio
	+ Courses can be added only if the maximum number has not been reached
	+ New courses can be added if former courses are removed
* Courses must have a minimum enrollment set to 40 students (Composition may have other minimums)
* Courses shall be introductory level (lower division courses) with no prerequisites
	+ Exceptions may be in Composition and Math
* Courses must have a clear assessment plan
	+ Including frequency of offering, enrollment review and DFW rates
* Courses must indicate a multi-disciplinary approach to achievement of the micro-credential
* Courses must indicate alignment with UWLO and Ohio36 criteria
* Courses can be counted toward general education and the major but only count once for credit hours