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Area B-Institutional Options (3 hours)						
SPCH 1101	Public Speaking	3	COMM 1100 or COMM 1110	Human Communications or Public Speaking	3 (3)	
Area C-Humanities/Fine Arts (6 hours)						
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MATH 1127 or MATH 1131	Introduction to Statistics Calculus I	3 (4)	MATH 1401 MATH 2261	Elementary Statistics or Calculus i	3 (4)
Area E-Social Sciences (12 hours)					
POLS 1101	American Government	3	POLS 1101	American Government	3
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	US History I or US History II	3 (3)	HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	American History I or American History II	3 (3)
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Area F-BSHS (18 hours choose ANY courses)					
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PSYC 1101	Introductory Psychology	3	PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psych	3
PSYC 2103	Human Growth and Development	3	PSYC 2103	Intro to Human Growth and Development	3
PSYC 2250	Abnormal Psychology	3	PSYC 2165	Abnormal Psychology	3
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOCI 1101	Introductory Sociology	3
ALHS 1011	Structure and Function of the Human Body	5	PHED 2603	Functional Anatomy and Physiology I	3
ALHS 1060	Diet & Nutrition	2	AHSC 2202	Principles of Nutrition	2
ALHS 1090	Medical Terminology	2	AHSC 1101	Medical Terminology	2
Institutional Requirements					
HPWS 1101	Fitness & Wellness	3	PHED 1010	Concepts of Fitness and Health	2

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HSCI 4950	HSCI 4950 Capstone	1
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HSCI 3501	Ethics in Healthcare	3
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HSCI 4096	Independent Study I	1 – 10
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