University of Cincinnati General Education Requirements

First Year Experience
One or more appropriate First Year courses or learning communities. The course used to complete FYE might also apply to another General Education requirement.

Senior Year Capstone
The capstone experience is designed to demonstrate proficiency in the Baccalaureate Competencies and in the content/skills of the program/major. *The Environmental Studies Major requires that all students take EVST 5011 or 5012. This capstone experience is a service-based local project.*

Foundational Skills

**English Composition** (6 credit hours)
- ENGL1001 "English Composition" to be completed during the first year
- ENGL2089 "Intermediate Composition" or other designated writing course

**Quantitative Reasoning (QR)** (3 credit hours)
- The appropriate level of analytical and/or mathematical literacy determined by each academic unit/program. *QR is satisfied by coursework required of Environmental Studies Majors*

Breadth of Knowledge Requirements (BoK) *

**Contemporary Topics:** UC's GenEd Core is designed to direct students to courses and experiences that prepare graduates to contribute and thrive in a global, diverse, and technological society. *Each student should take 2 courses from 2 of the following 3 topics (6 credit hours)*
- **Diversity and Culture (DC):** analysis and understanding of issues arising from individual and cultural differences.
- **Social and Ethical Issues (SE):** social/ethical reasoning from historical and contemporary perspectives. *3 credits of SE are met by coursework required of Environmental Studies Majors*
- **Technology and Innovation (TI):** analysis and understanding of how discovery and invention (tangible or intangible) impact society.

**Distribution Areas:** UC's GenEd program assures exposure to the traditional disciplines that are the hallmark of a liberally educated person. *Students should choose 4 courses from a minimum of 3 distribution areas. (12 credit hrs)*
- **Fine Arts (FA)**
- **Historical Perspectives (HP)**
- **Humanities and Literature (HU)**
- **Natural Sciences (NS)** *6 credits of NS are met by coursework required of Environmental Studies Majors*
- **Social Sciences (SS)**

*most other Bok requirements can be met with elective coursework offered within the major*

College Language Requirement
Students in the McMicken College of Arts & Sciences must also fulfill the language requirement. For students with only one year or no previous foreign language training, there are two options:
- two-semester sequence [5 credits each of basic language 1001-1002]
- four-semester sequence [3 credits each of extended basic language 1011, 1012, 1013, 1014]