

**American University of Central Asia**  
**Liberal Arts and Sciences Department**  
**Digital Cultures Concentration**  
**2025 AY Checklist**

**Student's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **ID #** \_\_\_\_\_

General Education – 97 credits (102 credits limit of 100 level courses)	Credits	Completed	Grade	Notes
Academic Orientation program	2	<input type="checkbox"/>		
FYS I: English language for Liberal Arts - 4 credits, English Composition for Liberal Arts I – 6 credits Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS I) – 2 credits	12	<input type="checkbox"/>		
FYS II: English language for Liberal Arts - 4 credits, English Composition for Liberal Arts II – 6 credits Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS II) – 2 credits	12	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Kyrgyz Language and Literature I - 4 credits Kyrgyz Language and Literature II - 4 credits (to be completed during sophomore year)	8	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		State exam in 2 year
Russian Language I – 2 credits Russian Language II – 2 credits	4	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Mathematics	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Artificial intelligence/digital literacy and math/natural sciences*	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
History of Kyrgyzstan – 4 credits Geography of Kyrgyzstan – 2 credits (to be completed during sophomore year)	6	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		State exam in 2 year
Manas Studies	2	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Natural Science (Concepts of Modern Sciences)	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Arts/Second Year Seminar**	12	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Humanities/Second Year Seminar**	12	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar**	12	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Sports (any 4 courses during 4 years of study)	0	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		400 hours/0 credits
<b>Total General Education:</b>	<b>97</b>			
*LAS students must take additional 3 credits: Digital Literacy/Introduction to Computing/Computer Science/AI or any math/natural science related courses.				
**All students in their 2 <sup>nd</sup> year must take one Second Year Seminar. This seminar substitutes for one required 6-credit course in either Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts or Natural Science.				
<b>LAS Core Courses – 24 credits</b>				
Concepts of Modern Art/Arts	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		Can be counted towards Arts requirement in the General Education program
World Literature/Humanities	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		Can be counted towards Humanities requirement in the General Education program
Concepts of Modern Sciences/Natural Sciences	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		Can be counted towards Natural Sciences requirement in the General Education program
Globalization and Social Sciences/Social Sciences	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		Can be counted towards Social Sciences requirement in the General Education program
<b>Total LAS Core Courses</b>	<b>24</b>			
<b>Concentration Required Courses – 57 credits</b>				
Digital Cultures	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		1,2, 3 semester
Digital History	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		3, 4, 5 semester
Digital Archives	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		6, 7, 8 semester
Digital Ethics	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		4, 5, 6 semester

Artificial Intelligence in a Human World: Skills, Ethics and Impact	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		3, 4, 5, 6 semester
Senior Project/Thesis I	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		6, 7 semester
Senior Project/Thesis II	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		6 semester
Research Methods	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		7, 8 semester
Internship I and II	15			6, 7 semester
<b>Total Concentration Courses</b>	<b>57</b>			
<b>Major elective courses – 36 credits</b>				
Art and Technology	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Book History	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Reading and Analyzing Digital Texts	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Intro to Research Practice for Liberal Arts	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Introduction to Digital Manas Studies	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Creative Design: Prototyping and Testing	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Intro to Mass Communication	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Data Communication	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
The Culture Industry: Coming to Terms with Popular Culture in the 20th and 21st Centuries	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Film analysis and criticism	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Human Rights and Artificial Intelligence	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
The Art of Choice: Crafting Storytelling Through Video Games	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Visual Communication and Its Psychological Aspects	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Cross-cultural communication in the age of Google translate	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Intercultural Communication	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Art and Theory of Editing	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Graphic Design for TV and Film	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Critical Approaches in Modern Media	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Creative Storymaking	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Intro to Acting	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Photography and creativity	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Images, Archives and Stories	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Explore Animation: Visual Storytelling	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Storytelling with statistics	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Intro to Digital Humanities	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
GIS for Liberal Arts	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Digital Communication strategy	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
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<b>Total major elective courses</b>	<b>36</b>			
<b>Note: the list of concentration electives is subject to constant update</b>				
Elective courses (from outside the student's major)	46	In fact 67 credits are available due to overlap of LAS core courses and Gen Ed courses.		
<b>General Education 94 including LAS Core Courses 24</b>	<b>97</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Concentration Required Courses</b>	<b>57</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Major elective courses</b>	<b>36</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Other electives</b>	<b>67</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Total credits</b>	<b>257</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>257 credits must be earned to graduate</b>	

## Recommended Order of Study

1st semester (30 credits)		2nd semester (30 credits)	
First Year Seminar I English Composition for Liberal Arts I Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS I)	12	First Year Seminar II English Composition for Liberal Arts II Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS II)	12
Concepts of Modern Sciences/NTR	6	World Literature/Humanities	6
Digital Cultures/Digital Archives	6	Digital Histories	6
Elective Course	6	Elective Course	6
Sport (100 hours)	0	Sport (100 hours)	0
3rd semester (33 credits)		4th semester (33 credits)	
Concepts of Modern Arts/Arts	6	Globalization and Social Sciences/SS	6
Artificial Intelligence in a Human World: Skills, Ethics and Impact	6	History and Geography of Kyrgyzstan	6
Elective Course	6	Major electives	6
Major Electives	6	Elective Course	6
Kyrgyz language and literature	4	Kyrgyz language and literature	4
Russian language	2	Russian language	2
Elective course	3	Elective Course	3
Sport (100 hours)	0	Sport (100 hours)	0
5th semester (33 credits)		6th semester (36 credits)	
Elective course	6	Elective course	6
Manas studies	2	Research Methods	6
General Education Course	6	General Education Course	6
Elective Course	6	General Education Course	6
Elective Course	6	Elective Course	6
Elective Course	6	Internship	6
7th semester (39 credits)		8th semester (33 credits)	
Senior Thesis Seminar I	12	Senior Thesis Seminar II	6
Internship	9	General Education Course	6
Elective courses	18	Elective courses	18

### **Graduation requirements:**

1. Earn at least 257 credits
  - a. Complete all General Education requirements;
  - b. Complete all requirements for at least one major;
  - c. Earn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) courses;
  - d. Complete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student's major and General Education program;
  - e. Complete the required number of internship credits (the number of credits is determined by each department);
  - f. Pass all state graduation examinations;
  - g. Successfully complete and defend a senior thesis/project;
  - h. Receive no "F" or "N/P" grades in the final semester;
  - i. To earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0.

### **Important Contacts:**

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#### ***Writing and Academic Resources Center***

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#### ***Shared Service Center***

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#### ***Counseling Services***

Write an email to set up a meeting with counselors:

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**Student's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(I am informed and confirm that I have completed all required courses and necessary components for my department)*

**Advisor's name and signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(I have reviewed and confirmed that the student has completed all required courses and necessary components for their department)*

**Department chair's name and signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(I have double-checked and confirmed that the student has completed all required courses and necessary components for their department and eligible to graduate)*