

American University of Central Asia
Liberal Arts and Sciences Department
Social Entrepreneurship and Design Thinking Concentration
2026 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 of Business and Economics I	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"/>		
Humanities/Second Year Seminar**	12	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar**	12	<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
Total General Education:	97			
*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 nd 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.				
LAS Core Courses – 24 credits				
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
Total LAS Core Courses	24			
Concentration Required Courses – 63 credits				
Design Thinking and Innovation Lab	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		1, 2 semester
Social Entrepreneurship or Social Entrepreneurship Practicum	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		3, 4 semester

Agile in Social Innovation or Leading change for sustainability	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		5, 6, semester
Sustainable Development for Social Entrepreneurship and CSR	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		3, 4, 5 semester
Intro to Finance	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		3, 4, 5 semester
Research Methods	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		6, 7 semester
Senior Project/Thesis I	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		7 semester
Senior Project/Thesis II	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		8 semester
Internship I and II	15	<input type="checkbox"/>		6, 7 semester
Total Concentration Courses	63			
Major elective courses – 30 credits				
Entrepreneurial mindset	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Human Resources Management in Social Enterprises	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
AI and Blockchain in Social Innovation	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
The Lean Startup: Social Business Modeling	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Marketing for Social Enterprises	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Fundraising for Social Enterprises	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Ethical Leadership	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Project management for social development	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Markets and Business Responsibility	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
New Pathways in Social Entrepreneurship	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Digital Business Model	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Creative Design: Prototyping and Testing	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Entrepreneurial Finance	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Creative Industries	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Legal and Ethical Entrepreneurship	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Social Finance and Impact Investment	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Sociology of Development	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Sustainable Development: Social Enterprise	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
E-commerce and digital marketing	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Introduction to Microeconomic Theory	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Cultural Concepts and Social Networks / Gender, Kinship and Society	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Human Resource Management (BA)	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Intercultural communication	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Sustainable Development and Circular Economy	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Civic Engagement: Global Trends and Development of Civil Society in Central Asia.	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Civil Society Organizations Law	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Introduction to Sociology	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Introduction to Marketing	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Consumer Behavior	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Enterprise-Wide Risk Management	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Environmental and Social Impact Assessment	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
International Environmental Law and Policy	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Investment Law and Sustainable Development	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Managerial Accounting	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Fund Development for non-Profits	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		
International Development: Donors, NGOs, Communities, and Culture	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Environment, sustainability, and development in Central Asia	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Introduction to Business and Management	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Ethics, Commerce, and Society	3	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Storytelling with statistics	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Financial Accounting I	6	<input type="checkbox"/>		
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Total major elective courses	30			
Note: the list of concentration electives is subject to constant update				
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.	
General Education 94 including LAS Core Courses 24	97	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Concentration Required Courses	63	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Major elective courses	30	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other electives	67	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Total credits	257	<input type="checkbox"/>	257 credits must be earned to graduate	

Suggested order of study

1st semester (32 credits)		2nd semester (30 credits)	
First Year Seminar I	12	First Year Seminar II	
English Composition for Liberal Arts I		English Composition for Liberal Arts II	12
Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS I)		Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS II)	
Design Thinking and Innovation Lab	6	Social Entrepreneurship	6
Concepts of Modern Sciences/NTR	6	World Literature/Humanities	6
Elective Course	6	Elective Course	6
Orientation	2		
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
Elective Course	6	History and Geography of Kyrgyzstan	6
Elective Course	6	Elective Course	6
Intro to finance	6	Agile in Social Innovation or Leading change for sustainability	6
Kyrgyz language and literature	4	Kyrgyz language and literature	4
Russian language	2	Russian language	2
Elective course	3	Manas studies	3
Sport (100 hours)	0	Sport (100 hours)	0
5th semester (30 credits)		6th semester (39 credits)	
General Education Course	6	Research Methods	6
General Education Course	6	General Education Course	6
Mathematics for Business and Economic	6	General Education Course	6
Elective Course	6	Elective Course	6
Elective Course	6	Elective Course	9
		Internship	6
7th semester (39 credits)		8th semester (30 credits)	
Senior Thesis Seminar I	6	Senior Thesis Seminar II	6
General Education Course	12	Elective Course	24
Internship	9		
Elective Course	12		

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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Shared Service Center

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Counseling Services

Write an email to set up a meeting with counselors:

cs@auca.kg

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)