

Advising for sophomores

Requirements to be taken either Fall or Spring Semester

Course selection **must** include:

- An LGI course
- One PE activity course

Remember that:

- A course can count towards a major and towards a sustainable community requirement, but can only be used to fulfil one SC requirement.
- A student may count either the CML or LGI course towards major requirements, but not both.
- A minor can be a good way to study additional interests, but keep in mind that only 50% of the courses in a minor can be used towards a major.
- A course can be added within the first 10 class days of each semester, however, after five days the student requires permission of instructor.
- A course may be dropped (meaning it will not appear on a transcript) through the 10th days of classes.
- After the add/drop period ends, a student may withdraw from a class through the 9th week of classes by using the withdrawal form-a 'W' will appear on the transcript for that course.
- After the 9th week of classes, and before the end of classes a student may petition to withdraw from a class, and will be granted either a 'W' for withdraw or a "WF" for withdraw failing depending on grade.
- Students must meet with their major advisor during advising week in order to be cleared on the globe for course registration.
- A student must earn 120 credits in order to graduate with a degree from Wells College.
- Only 45 credits of any one discipline can be applied to the required 120.

Experiential Learning

Don't forget that each student must complete two experiential learning activities regardless of major.

- **Credit-bearing internships**
- **Off-campus student abroad**
- **Off-campus study in the US**-must include fieldwork or an internship
- **Student teaching**
- **Experiential learning seminars and service-based independent studies**-separate from regular courses

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Major Declaration

Students may declare a single major at any time by meeting with a faculty member in the major and filling out the major declaration form.

- A student must declare a major by the seventh week of the semester in which they expect to earn 60 credits.
- A student who wishes to double major must file a double major proposal form with the registrar no later than the end of advising week of the first semester of the junior year. The student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at the time of the proposal.
- A student who wishes to work towards an individualized major should see the Director of Academic Advising and Success to begin the process.

Glossary of Commonly Used Terms

CAR-Critical Analysis and Reasoning-Courses across the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences divisions which focus on using analytic and cognitive processes to arrive at reasoned conclusions.

LGI-Local and Global Interconnections-A course that focuses on the past, present, and future interconnections of local and global experiences.

Experiential Learning-Each student must do two. Internships, student teaching, off-campus study courses, and more count toward this requirement.

GPA-Grade Point Average-A student's GPA is calculated by multiplying the number of quality points (based on grade) by the number of credits. A higher GPA is better and there are regulations regarding GPAs.

NS-Natural Sciences-Laboratory science courses within the Natural Sciences.

POI-Permission of Instructor-This may be required to add an upper-level class, or to add a course after the semester has begun, but before drop/add ends.

Prereq-Prerequisite course-A course which is required prior to adding another course.

QR-Quantitative Reasoning-Math courses which develop an understanding of solving real world problems.

Quality Points-points based on grade which are multiplied by the number of credits to calculate GPA.

SC-Sustainable Community-The name of the general education requirements at Wells.