

Yale College Distributional Requirements

Milestones toward fulfilling the distributional requirements as outlined in the Yale College Programs of Study. The milestones are cumulative. No courses taken Credit/D/Fail may be used to fulfil a distributional requirement.

SKILLS AREAS		
QR	<i>Quantitative Reasoning</i>	(2)
WR	<i>Writing</i>	(2)
L	<i>Language</i>	*
DISCIPLINARY AREAS		
Hu	<i>Humanities & Arts</i>	(2)
Sc	<i>Sciences</i>	(2)
So	<i>Social Sciences</i>	(2)

First-year
Credits for promotion: 8

QR, WR or L
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At the end of the first year (after 2 terms of enrollment), enrollment in at least one course credit in two of the three required skills categories: QR, WR, and foreign language.

Sophomore
Credits for promotion: 16

Hu
Sc
So
QR
WR
L

At the end of sophomore year (after 4 terms of enrollment), enrollment in at least one course credit in each disciplinary area (Hu, and Sc, and So), and at least one course credit in each skills category (QR, and WR, and foreign language).

Junior
Credits for promotion: 26

Hu
Sc
So
QR
WR
QR
WR
L

At the end of junior year (after 6 terms of enrollment), all skills requirements must be completed: foreign language, 2 course credits each in QR and WR, and at least one course credit each in Hu, Sc, and So.

Senior
Credits for promotion: 36

Hu
Sc
So
Hu
Sc
So
QR
WR
QR
WR
L

For the bachelor's degree. At the end of senior year, all distributional requirements must be completed: foreign language, 2 course credits each in QR and WR, and 2 course credits each in Hu, Sc, and So.

*Students are required to take at least one course in a foreign language while enrolled at Yale. Refer to the YCPS for complete information.