1. Minimum of GPA 2.0.
2. Minimum of 36 credit hours in courses at the 300-400 level (junior-senior).
3. Requirements for the major are different for each degree (please see the IU Northwest Bulletin for specific requirements. Within all majors, only courses with an earned grade of C- or higher will count towards the major. The cumulative GPA within the major must be at least 2.0.
4. Maximum of 45 hours in one subject which may be counted toward the B.A. degree. (See Fine Arts for exception).
5. At least 26 hours of work of the senior year and at least 10 hours in the major subject (not necessarily during the senior year) must be completed while in residence at Indiana University Northwest.
6. Total credit hours required: Minimum of 120 graduating hours.

See IU Northwest Bulletin for details concerning grading policies, transfer credit, special credit, time limitations, and application for degree deadlines.

Specific Requirements for B.A. Degrees

In addition to general requirements, candidates for the B.A. degree must complete Groups I-V.

**Group I:** English Composition/Mathematics/Intensive Writing

A. English Composition. Every student must pass W131 Elementary Composition or its equivalent with a grade of C or better. Exemption with or without credit is possible, see Bulletin for details.

B. Mathematics. May be fulfilled in one of the following ways:
   1. Earning minimum test scores of 650 on the SAT exam or 29 on the ACT exam.
   2. By completing with a grade of C (2.0) or higher, one of the following courses: MATH M100, M110, M118, M119, M125, or M215.
   3. By exemption (without credit) through an appropriate examination as determined by the Department of Mathematics.

C. Oral Communication. May be fulfilled by completing SPCH-S 121 Public Speaking with a grade of C (2.0) or higher.

D. Two Intensive Writing Courses (those designated in the schedule THIS IS AN INTENSIVE WRITING COURSE).

**Group II:** Foreign Language. May be fulfilled in one of the following ways:

A. By completing satisfactorily 6 credit hours of course work or the equivalent at the 200 level in a foreign language or three semesters of a foreign language and two semesters of a culture option from the same language base.

B. By attaining at any time an achievement test score sufficient for placement in courses at the first semester third-year level in a foreign language.
Group III: Distribution – Students must take 12 credit hours outside of their major discipline in each of the three categories from at least two disciplines within each category. No more than 9 credit hours within a single discipline will be counted for Group III credit. COURSES THAT APPLY FOR DISTRIBUTION ARE LISTED IN THE IU NORTHWEST BULLETIN.

A. Mathematics, Physical and Life Sciences 12 hours – Two disciplines
   Students must take at least one science course in Group IIIA that includes a laboratory.

B. Social and Behavioral Sciences 12 hours – Two disciplines

C. Humanities 12 hours – Two Disciplines
   Students must take at least one “laboratory designation” studio arts/performing arts/creative writing course in the humanities.

Group IV: Diversity
A. World History
   Any one of HIST H105, H106, H113, H114, or H232

B. American Minority Experience
   Any one course from the list of Group IV-B courses that is located at the end of the Arts and Sciences section of the bulletin.

C. World Culture
   Any one course from the list of Group IV-C courses that is located at the end of the Arts and Sciences section of the bulletin.

Group V: Major Requirements: the requirements for the major are different for each degree (please see the IU Northwest Bulletin for specific requirements. Within all majors, only courses with an earned grade of C- or higher will count towards the major. The cumulative GPA within the major must be at least 2.0. the maximum o hours in any one subject is 45 (exception to this is Fine Arts).

Capstone (3 cr.) Students must take three credit hours either in the major or in one of the Group III categories in courses designated as capstone. This course may also count in the major, group distribution, or inside elective.