

SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY CORE CURRICULUM

PATHWAYS

Pathways are clusters of courses with a common theme. Engineering students will take three courses or 12 units. Arts & Sciences and Business students will take four courses or 16 units.

Pathways promote *integrative and intentional learning*. They cultivate the ability to make intentional and reflective educational choices; to study a theme from a number of disciplinary or methodological perspectives; and to perceive connections and relationships among ideas. They provide opportunities for undergraduate research experiences and for deepening links with the Residential Learning Communities and Centers of Distinction.

The following Pathways have been approved. Additional Pathways will be announced. See www.scu.edu/core for complete lists of Pathways and associated courses.

- American Studies
- Beauty
- Childhood, Family & Society
- Democracy
- The Digital Age
- Food, Hunger, Poverty, Environment
- Gender, Sexuality & the Body
- Global Health
- Human Rights
- Islamic Studies
- Justice & the Arts
- Law & Social Justice
- Leading People, Organizations, & Social Change
- Politics & Religion
- Public Policy
- Race, Place & Social Inequalities
- Sustainability
- Values in Science & Technology
- Vocation



Declaring or Changing a Pathway

By the end of the *sophomore* year, students will declare a Pathway through e-campus. Students may change Pathways by contacting the Drahmman Center.

Completing a Pathway: Pathway Reflective Paper & Portfolio

By the winter quarter of the *senior* year, each student will submit electronic copies of a two page reflective paper and a portfolio containing a representative paper or written project from each Pathway course.

Guidelines for Pathways

Normally, no more than two courses in a student's Pathway may be taken in the same department. For students in the Business School and the College of Arts and Sciences, two courses in any individual student's major department may contribute to the requirements for that student's Pathway, as long as the courses have been approved for the Pathway. For Engineering students, one course in the student's major department may contribute to the requirement for that student's Pathway, as long as the course has been approved for the Pathway.

A student's Pathway may contain no more than two courses in either the Cultures and Ideas sequence (CI 1, 2, and 3) or the Religion, Theology, and Culture sequence (RTC 1, 2, and 3). Only one course in a Pathway may be a "Foundations" course (normally taken the first year).

Some courses will be appropriate for more than one Pathway, but students will complete only one Pathway.