

MARITIME STUDIES - BA

Maritime Studies (MAST) offers students a unique opportunity to examine the varied ways humans use and impact coastal and maritime environments.

Program Requirements

First Year

		Semester Credit Hours
Fall		
ENGL 104	Composition and Rhetoric	3
MAST 240	Introduction to Maritime Studies ^{1,2}	3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		1
Mathematics (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics)		3
Directed elective ^{1,3}		3
Semester Credit Hours		13

Spring

ENGL 203	Writing about Literature	3
Government/Political science (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3
Language, philosophy and culture (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3
Mathematics (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics)		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
Semester Credit Hours		15

Second Year

Fall		
ANTH 225 & ANTH 226	Introduction to Biological Anthropology and Introduction to Biological Anthropology Laboratory ¹	4
HIST 232	History of American Sea Power	3
Creative arts (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)		3
Social and behavioral sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences)		3
Directed elective ^{1,3}		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Spring

ANTH 210	Social and Cultural Anthropology ¹	3
POLS 232	Introduction to Maritime Public Policy ¹	3
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3

Government/Political science (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3
General elective		3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Third Year

Fall

ANTH 316	Nautical Archaeology ¹	3
MAST 365	Material Culture ¹	3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		4
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3

Semester Credit Hours 16

Spring

ENGL 335	Literature of the Sea ¹	3
HIST 242	United States Maritime History ¹	3
Directed elective ^{1,3}		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Fourth Year

Fall

ENGL 415	Studies in a Major Author ¹	3
MAST 425	Thesis and Technical Writing ¹	3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
General elective		3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Spring

MAST 411	International Maritime Culture ¹	3
Directed elective ^{1,3}		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
MAST elective ^{1,4}		3
General elective		3

Semester Credit Hours 15

Total Semester Credit Hours 120

¹ Must make a grade of C or better.

² Required the first semester in the MAST program.

³ Select from ANTH 202, ANTH 313, ANTH 350, ANTH 409, ANTH 423, ANTH 485; COMM 203, COMM 365/JOUR 365; ENGL 330, ENGL 334, ENGL 338, ENGL 339/AFST 339, ENGL 374/WGST 374, ENGL 484, ENGL 485; HIST 226, HIST 370, HIST 373, HIST 374, HIST 405, HIST 485; KINE 199; MARA 212, MARA 421, MARA 435, MARA 470; POLS 353, POLS 366; SPAN 101, SPAN 102, SPAN 201, SPAN 202. A maximum of 3 hours of KINE 199, and a maximum of 3 hours of 484 or 485 may be used for directed electives.

⁴ Select from ANTH 318, ANTH 330, ANTH 351, ANTH 484; CLAS 371; MAST 200-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/mast/>) (except MAST 365, MAST 480, MAST 481); PHIL 314; POLS 231, POLS 347. A maximum combination of 6 hours of 484, 485 and/or 491 may be used as MAST electives.

Students in the BA-MAST program must maintain a portfolio of artifacts from MAST required coursework. The portfolio is developed over the course of the undergraduate career, and upon completion, will contain artifacts from each MAST required course. The Portfolio is assessed for completion during the last term of enrollment, after the student submits the graduation application. The completion of the portfolio requirement will be assessed by the Maritime Studies faculty.