

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT
FOR
3952 BACHELOR OF OPTOMETRY BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BOptom BSc)
STUDENTS**

BOptom BSc students must complete 6 units of credit (UOC) of approved General Education (GE) courses. The only exception to this is for students who have been granted transfer of credit for GE.

It is advisable to complete all GE units before entering Stage 4 of the BOptom BSc. This is because it is difficult to find a suitably timetabled GE course that will fit in with the Stage 4 and Stage 5 timetable. GE courses are available during session 1 and 2 as well as summer and winter session.

Further information regarding GE, including the objectives may be found in the UNSW Undergraduate Handbook. An index of GE courses can be found under the Virtual Handbook at <http://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au>.

As the BOptom BSc is a combined program, students have a partial exemption from GE (students enrolled in single degree programs must complete 12 UOC of GE). Therefore the remaining General Education courses must be taken from faculties other than the Faculty of Science.

Each Program has its own rules for GE. For the BOptom BSc, these are summarised below. A breach of the rules governing GE will delay your graduation and optometric registration, so it is extremely important that you are familiar with the rules and strictly adhere to them. If you are in doubt as to what courses you may count towards your GE requirement, you should consult the School Office.

You must NOT enrol in GE courses that clash with any of the core timetabled BOptom BSc courses.

- “Mainstream” courses may NOT be substituted for GE courses.
- You are NOT be permitted to enrol in ANY GE from your “home” Faculty (i.e. GENS####).

GE courses that are surplus to program requirements (6 units of credit) will attract a voluntary course fee.

GE for the Faculty of Science is overseen by the Science Student Office (SSO). In some cases, permission/advice may need to be sought from the SSO.