Understanding the Degree Progress Report (DPR) for Undergraduates

The Degree Progress Report (DPR) details the progress a student is making toward the fulfillment of a degree from SMU.

Section #	Section Name	Explanation
1	Header Information	Displays the student's name, student ID#, the date the DPR was produced, the student's adviser's name, and identifies international students and/or student athletes. • Student Adviser field is only populated after the adviser's name is manually attached to the student's record. This is a School-by-School process. • The international student and athlete notes are not displayed unless the student is in a student group to identify them.
2	Curriculum / Enrollment Information	Displays Career (Undergraduate), Programs (the Colleges or Schools), Plans (Majors & Minors), Terms Enrolled, Expected Graduation Term, and any Special Programs (e.g., University Honors Program). • Programs & Plans print in the order entered on the system. The first program/plan entered is the Primary Program/Plan. • Majors print before minors within a given program. • In example DPR, the major SOCI BA/2000 with the minor PSYC MIN/2000 was the first career entered. Then, the major JOUR BA/2005 was the second career entered. • The year printed with the major or minor is the catalog requirement year applicable.
3	Degree Progress Summary	This is a summary of all course work and the related requirements. It has a minimum of two sections. The boxed section defines the abbreviations that appear in the "Code" column. • Course Directives are "Force-Matches" • Credit Splitting is where units for a course are used to fulfill multiple requirements. For example, a 4-unit course divided into 3 units for requirement A and 1 unit for requirement B. • In sections 3a-3c, ➢ "Satisfied" **<u>does not</u>** include "In Progress" hours. ➢ Each is sub-divided into Credit Requirements and Grade Requirements.
3a	General Requirements	This contains both University-wide requirements and Primary Program requirements. • **Secondary Program Requirements are not included.**
3b	Primary Curriculum Requirements	Displays progress towards fulfillment of GEC requirements, primary plan requirements, and free electives.
3c	(Optional Section) Secondary Curriculum Requirements	This section only appears if the student has a minor or a second major.
4	Degree Progress Analysis	For all sections, "Satisfied" **<u>does</u>** include "In Progress" hours. This is opposite of the Degree Progress Summary section.
4a	General Education Curriculum	Displays progress towards fulfillment of GEC requirements. It is divided into requirements, some of which may have requirement lines. • Plan Verification Requirement: Also known as co-requisites. For example,

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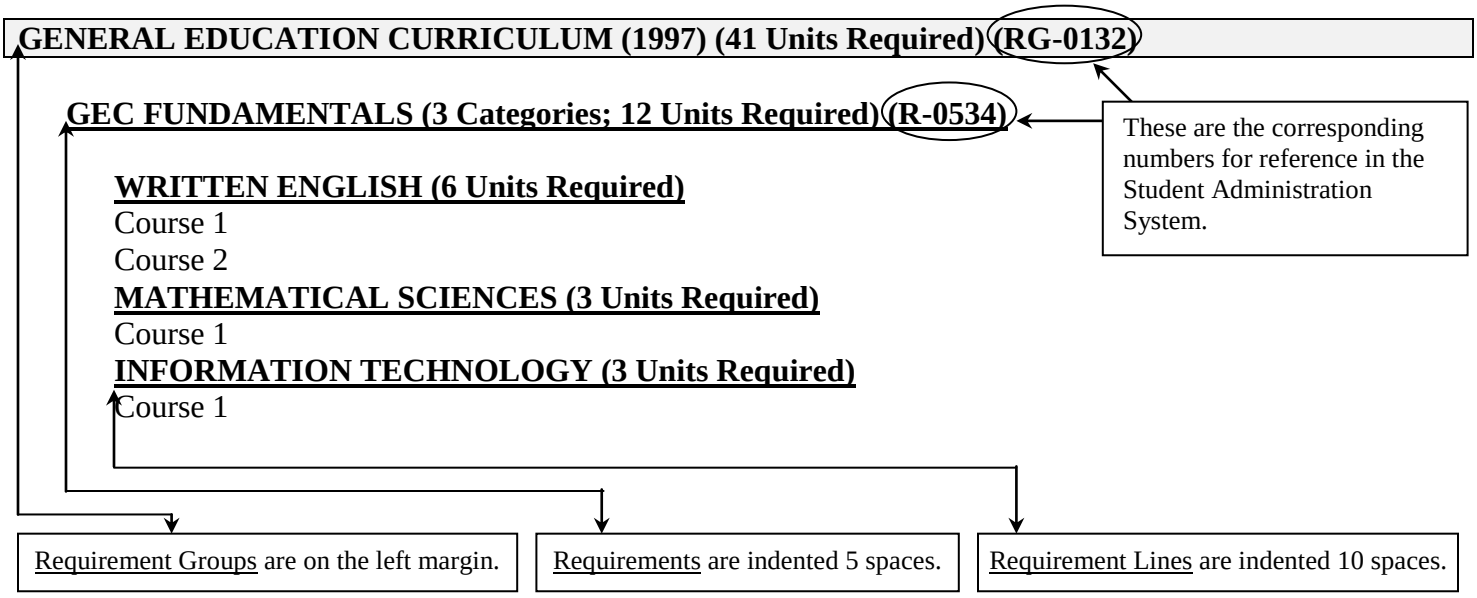
		a plan verification requirement may be that 18 hours of Advance Resident work needs to be completed within the requirements of a particular plan.
4b	Major	Displays progress towards fulfillment of the student's major. It is divided into requirements, some of which may have requirement lines.
4c	(Optional Section) Minor	Displays progress towards fulfillment of the student's minor. It is divided into requirements, some of which may have requirement lines.
4d	(Optional Section) Second Major	See 4b.
5	Academic Record	Displays a replication of an unofficial transcript record separated into terms. • The Scholastic Status field is populated based on the results of the term. • The Scholastic Status will not take affect until the beginning of the following enrollment term. • Good Standing is assumed if the Scholastic Status field is blank.
5a	Career Summary	Lists SMU, Transfer, and All College GPAs and Units earned. It also lists any terms that the student was on academic suspension.
5b	Transfer Sources	Lists all schools attended from which SMU accepted transfer credit.

Functional Layout: The DPR was designed to be functional even at a glance. Each area under the Degree Progress Analysis section is divided into Requirement Groups (RG), Requirements (R), and Requirement Lines. Use the picture below to easily identify what you are seeing.



Tidbits

- The word "Units" replaced "Semester Credit Hours."
- The word "Plans" replaced the words "Majors" and "Minors."
- The word "Program" refers to the individual colleges and schools.