




# Xavier's "3 Cs"

## Core Curriculum

The Core Curriculum lies at the heart Xavier's mission as a Jesuit Catholic university in the liberal arts tradition. We like to think of our Core in terms of "3 Cs": Connection, Community, and Capabilities.

You'll experience the Core in a variety of ways in your first year. Here are a just a few:

<p><b>Connection</b></p> 	<p>Because gaining knowledge isn't the same as acquiring <b>understanding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Ask the big questions: Who am I? Is there a God who loves us? How should we live?</li> <li>+ Discover yourself and work to find your vocation, the distinctive way in which you are called to be in the world.</li> </ul>	<p><b>THEO 111 Theological Foundations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Explore basic questions about what is ultimately meaningful and real.</li> <li>+ Find yourself in the values that shape the Jesuit Catholic tradition.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Community</b></p> 	<p>Develop deep and lasting <b>relationships</b> that will endure through your time at Xavier and beyond.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Make lasting friendships with students outside of your major.</li> <li>+ Explore diverse perspectives and learn to disagree productively.</li> </ul>	<p><b>CORE 100 First-Year Seminar</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Learn together with a small group of students and a faculty member in a class based on active student engagement.</li> <li>+ Dive deep into a topic you're passionate about.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Capabilities</b></p> 	<p>Cultivate the <b>higher-order abilities</b> that will give you the confidence you'll need to flourish in your major and beyond.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Develop flexible skills.</li> <li>+ Discover new capacities for creativity, critical reflection, and problem-solving you didn't know you had.</li> </ul>	<p><b>CORE 101 Goa:</b> Make the transition to college life an easy one.  <b>ENGL 101 Composition</b> or <b>ENGL 115 Rhetoric:</b> Strengthen your abilities as a communicator  <b>PHIL 100 Ethics as Intro to Philosophy:</b> Sharpen your mind and seek justice.</p>

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