The Brandeis Core is the engaging, shared academic experience for all students entering Brandeis in fall 2019. The Core is designed holistically to guide your intellectual growth and understanding while helping you develop practical skills that you will use throughout your lifetime. The Brandeis Core also embodies the university’s founding principles of academic rigor, robust debate and justice.

THE BRANDEIS CORE

SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT
Beyond the specialized skills and knowledge gained through your major, we believe that liberal arts graduates should become broadly acquainted with the approaches, perspectives, insights and methodologies from a variety of disciplines. You will complete courses in each of Brandeis’ four divisions in the School of Arts and Sciences.

CREATIVE ARTS
HUMANITIES
SCIENCE
SOCIAL SCIENCE

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT
You will explore social, political, cultural and linguistic diversity in the United States and the world by focusing on three thematic areas.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION STUDIES IN THE U.S.
DIFFERENCE AND JUSTICE IN THE WORLD
COMPLETION OF A LANGUAGE SEQUENCE

HEALTH, WELLNESS AND LIFE SKILLS
You will gain confidence and resiliency by learning how to deal with difficult situations, establish productive mind and body habits and develop a solid foundation of general life skills.

NAVIGATING HEALTH AND SAFETY
MIND AND BODY BALANCE
LIFE SKILLS

FOUNDATIONAL LITERACIES
No matter your academic areas of interest, you will focus on learning goals that will be central to your classes and your career: becoming an effective communicator, researcher and critical thinker. You will fulfill these foundational literacies, with the exception of quantitative reasoning, through your major.

WRITING INTENSIVE
ORAL COMMUNICATION
DIGITAL LITERACY
QUANTITATIVE REASONING

UNIVERSITY WRITING SEMINAR
CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS

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