Navigating the Rust Belt

Chart a path through the core curriculum that allows you to become a cultural problem solver in the Rust Belt region. The Rust Belt region is known as a place of poverty, discrimination, neglect, and population decline. Cleveland – a prototypical Rust Belt city – and its inner-ring suburbs include an array of distinct neighborhoods that are historically divided by ethnicity, race, and socioeconomic status. But Cleveland's story is far from finished. As an Ursuline student, you are the citizens who will help write the next chapter of Rust Belt revival. Utilizing NEH funding, Ursuline has created a pathway through the core curriculum – one that focuses on the Rust Belt, social solutions, and reimagining the humanities. The courses emphasize digital skills, mapping, and storytelling to analyze the history of the region. The course pathway gives you the intellectual framework to engage locally with the community as problem-solvers and critical thinkers in Cleveland's specific cultural context. This material threads its way through our core curriculum, allowing students to earn a certificate by completing the "Rust Belt Pathway."

Pathway Through the Core Curriculum:

The student must select at least four of the identified courses to earn the Rust Belt Pathway certificate. Three of those classes are up to the student to select based on their interest and schedule. **All students must select EN 256** – as it will set up the common framework for the pathway. In many situations, the courses will count for both distribution requirements and the certificate pathway, meaning that it will not increase the required courses needed for completion of an undergraduate degree. The pathway is designed to accommodate as many of the undergraduate majors as possible.

To complete the pathway with honors, the student must engage in a 3-credit, hands-on service learning, internship, or research project with one of our expanding network of community partners or other identified institution selected in conjunction with a "pathway" advisor. They additionally must complete a public-facing project that outlines their work with this community partner whose format would be determined in conjunction with said advisor.

Rust Belt Pathway required courses:
· **EN 256: Rustbelt to Revival: Anisfield Wolf**
· UC 201: Identity, Diversity, and Community
· UC 401: Capstone Seminar

Three additional courses selected from the following:
· BI 111/L: Human Environment (and corresponding lab)
· AR 112: Foundations Digital Photography
· HI 240: Ordinary Women in World History
· PH 260: Bioethics
· HiP 355: Cleveland Architecture

Honors option:
· 3-credit hands-on service learning, internship, or research project

For more information, visit: www.ursuline.edu/neh or contact Katie Trostel (katharine.trostel@ursuline.edu)

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Cedar Road

AR 112 Digital Photography

EN 256 Rustbelt to Revival: Anisfield-Wolf

UC 201 Identity, Diversity, and Community

HiP Cleveland Architecture (Cleveland)

Dauby
BI 111/L Human Environment

Mullen

Women's Center
CareerFIT

Office of Diversity

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UC 401 Capstone
HI 240 Ordinary Women in World History
PH 260 Bioethics

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