

# How to Read a DARS

You may select one of three types of DARS reports:

- Normal – color coded plain text version
- Plain Text – variation of normal report with no color
- Interactive – graphic, interactive version providing:

Example of Graphic on Interactive Audit



- Ability to open or close all sections of the audit
- Graphic view of major requirements for graduation tracking both number of hours and GPA
- Color graphics of completion progress
- Drill down options on graphics for further detail
- Links to course descriptions

The top of every DARS report includes a legend explaining all of the codes used and specific information degree completion at Indiana State including your:

- Advisor
- College
- Catalog
- Degree
- Major

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***** Legend *****
* OK = Requirement Complete      >D = Duplicate Course      *
* NO = Requirement Not Complete  >R = Repeatable Course     *
* + = Sub-Requirement Complete  >X = Repeated Course      *
* - = Sub-Req. NOT Complete     * = Alert To Message      *
* R = Sub-Req. Is Required      FA = Fall Semester        *
* RG = Registered Course        WI = Winter Semester         *
* OPT = Optional               IN = Intersession              *
* (R) = Required Course        S1 = Summer I Semester     *
* >C = Cross Listed Course      S2 = Summer II Semester    *
* >S = Split Course            SP = Spring Semester        *
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Transcript Statistics (Total earned hours may include courses that don't apply towards your degree):

Advisor:  
College:  
Catalog:  
Degree:  
Major:

- Number of hours earned at ISU
- Overall GPA
- Number of transfer hours, if any

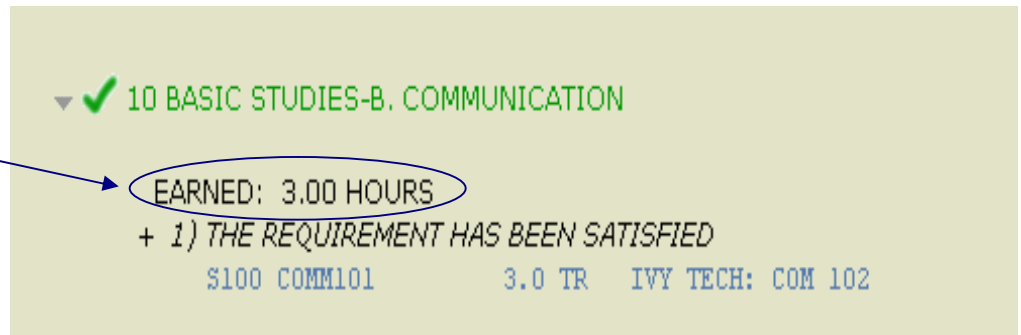
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LVL  TERM  E-HRS  Q-HRS  Q-PTS  GPA  TRF E-HRS
U    200703 101.00  5.00  17.00  3.40  94.00
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DARS is divided into a series of requirements and sub-requirements to track your progress in completing your degree.

Requirements begin with a general description and indicate what is needed and what is already completed or earned for that requirement.

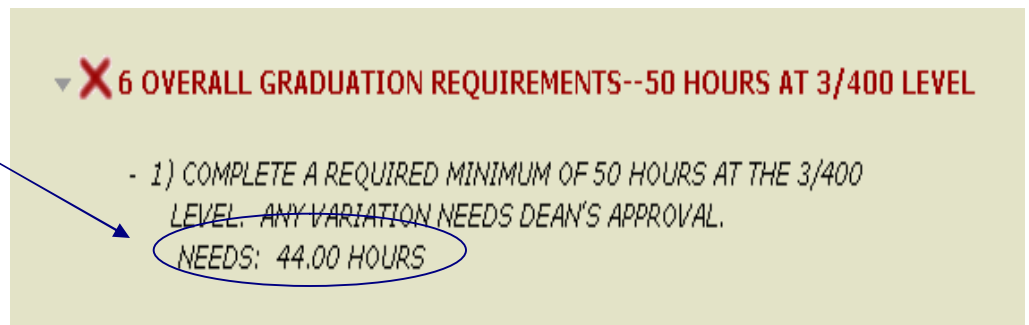
- EARNED states the number of hours, courses, subgroups or minimum GPA you have already earned to complete a requirement.



▼ ✓ 10 BASIC STUDIES-B. COMMUNICATION  
EARNED: 3.00 HOURS  
+ 1) THE REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN SATISFIED  
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- A completed requirement is coded with OK or 

- NEEDS states the number of hours, courses, subgroups or minimum GPA (if applicable) required to complete a requirement.



▼ ✗ 6 OVERALL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS--50 HOURS AT 3/400 LEVEL  
- 1) COMPLETE A REQUIRED MINIMUM OF 50 HOURS AT THE 3/400 LEVEL. ANY VARIATION NEEDS DEAN'S APPROVAL.  
NEEDS: 44.00 HOURS

- A requirement not yet complete is indicated with NO or 

A requirement may contain 1 or more Sub-requirements that may contribute to the completion of a requirement. Each sub-requirement contains:

**X 15 SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICAL STUDIES FOUNDATIONAL LABORATORY SCIENCE**

--> NEEDS: 1 SUB-GROUP

- 1) CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS OF COURSES & LABS:  
 SELECT FROM: [BIO 112,112L,112H,112L](#) [CHEM100,100L](#)  
[GEOG111,111L](#) [GEOL160,160L](#) [PHYS101,101L](#)

+ 2) THE FOLLOWING COURSE HAS BEEN COMPLETED:  
[FA07 MATH131](#) 3.0 B

List of courses you may take to fit into the sub-requirement  
 AND  
 Link to the course description if run through the Interactive Audit

**Detailed Course Information** Spring 2008  
Apr 21, 2008

Select the desired Level or Schedule Type to find available classes for the course.

**GEOL 160 - Intro Earth & Sky Sci**  
 A liberal studies foundational course in scientific studies. This course will take students on a scientific expedition to the planet Earth. This course covers a diverse range of topics from the Big Bang to earthquakes, volcanoes, and evolution of life. The course is designed to give students a better understanding of how the Earth works and what methods scientists use to study the planet. Corequisite: enrollment in 160L required. General Education Credits [GE89: A3; GE2000: Scientific and Mathematical Studies-Foundational]  
 3.000 Credit Hours  
 3.000 Lecture hours

Levels: Undergraduate, 2nd Undergraduate, 3rd Undergraduate, 4th Undergraduate, 5th Undergraduate  
 Schedule Types: [Lecture](#), [Distance Education](#), [Distance Blackboard course](#), [Hybrid Blackboard course](#)

See your advisor for further help in reading your DARS. Many of the colleges at ISU provide information to their students in using DARS. Check your college's student services office and the college web site for additional resources.