Stony Brook Curriculum (SBS): A List of Acronyms

Stony Brook Curriculum (SBS): Stony Brook curriculum includes both breadth and depth of study (provided by both the General Education Requirements and the major), and ensures that students will learn skills necessary for lifelong learning.

(ARTS)	Explore and Understand the Fine and Performing Arts
(CER)	Practice and Respect Critical and Ethical Reasoning
(ESI)	Evaluate and Synthesize Researched Information
(EXP+)	Experiential learning
(GLO)	Engage Global Issues
(HFA+)*	Humanities and Fine Arts
(HUM)	Address Problems using Critical Analysis and the Methods of the Humanities
(LANG)	Communicate in a Human Language Other than English
(QPS)	Master Quantitative Problem Solving
(SBS)	Understand, Observe, and Analyze Human Behavior and the Structure and Functioning of Society
(SBS+)*	Social and Behavioral Sciences
(SNW)	Study the Natural World
(SPK)	Speak Effectively before an Audience
(STAS)	Science or Technology and the Arts, Humanities, or Social Sciences
(STEM+)	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
(TECH)	Understand Technology
(WRT)	Write Effectively in English
(WRTD)	Write Effectively within One's Discipline
(USA)	Understand the Political, Economic, Social, and Cultural History of the United States

^{*}A"+" sign in the abbreviations for these categories signifies that most courses in these categories will be relatively advanced courses at the 200-to 400-level.