Students must undertake and successfully complete two advanced educational activities while they are engaged in Division III work. Both of these activities must be approved by the student’s Division III committee. One of the two advanced educational activities must be an advanced-level course* or supervised teaching (teaching assistant)**. If a student participates in an independent study or internship, or facilitates an EPEC course as one of their approved advanced educational activities, the other advanced educational activity must be an advanced-level course or supervised teaching (teaching assistant).

Internships must indicate semester-long involvement. A student may choose to facilitate an EPEC course as long as it is planned with and evaluated by a Hampshire faculty member.

*Advanced-Level course definition:
An advanced-level course must be approved by the student’s Division III committee and related to the student’s Division III area of study. For the purposes of satisfying Division III advanced educational activities, independent studies are not considered advanced-level courses. A course may be considered advanced-level if it is:
  • A 300-level Hampshire course;
  • A 200-level Hampshire course as long as the student explains the appropriateness of using that course in the Division III contract at the time of filing;
  • Any Five College course or course taken at another college or university that is directed at seniors or graduate students.

**Supervised teaching (teaching assistant) definition:
A student is considered a teaching assistant if they are assisting in the planning of and engaging in teaching activities for an academic course. Please note that teaching assistant responsibilities differ significantly from the duties of a work-study or office/course assistant position, which are more limited in scope. Examples of the responsibilities of a teaching assistant might include: leading discussions, holding office hours for student appointments and providing feedback on papers or other assignments.

Students must be properly registered as a teaching assistant and receive an evaluation from the faculty member of the course they are assisting. Teaching assistant registration forms are available in the Central Records Office or online https://www.hampshire.edu/central-records/course-registration-information-and-forms#TA