

Associates of Science in Liberal Studies

Degree Type

Associate of Science

The requirements below pertain to this Undergraduate Catalog year and are intended as a guide for academic planning. Students should consult with their academic advisor to discuss their individual plan of study.

Program Length: 62 credit hours

Accepted Transfer Credits: 45 Credit hours

For the Learner searching for a broad education rather than training in a particular occupation, the program in Liberal studies offers a rewarding degree program. A Liberal Studies degree prepares learners for many careers because it gives them the skills, knowledge, and perspectives needed to succeed. The program consists of two years of studies in the different Social Science, Humanities, and Fine Arts branches. After graduating with this degree, a learner is better prepared to enter the workforce or transfer into a bachelor's degree program for further studies.

The Associates of Science in Liberal Studies is the foundation for many college majors and a bachelor's degree. The value of a liberal studies areas of study is multi-faceted. It signals to employers that, as a degree holder, the learner has advanced communication skills, critical thinking skills, group dynamics and awareness skills, and an appreciation of other cultures. These qualities are vital to one's success in today's workplace. You will learn how to think, collaborate, create, problem-solve, communicate, and lead.

This degree emphasizes student completion of 34 credit hours of the CORE, 24 hours in two areas of concentration, three (3) additional credit hours in any other discipline, and one (1) credit hour the University Studies. Moreover, the associate's degree program enables a student to progress into the bachelors program to complete a bachelor's degree. Learners interested in the Liberal Studies degree may choose to pursue one of three paths:

- **The Path for Interdisciplinary Opportunities** -These students passionately wish to seek accomplishment in more than one field simultaneously, with the idea that such diversity is mutually sustaining.
- **The Path of Focused Competencies** - Many of our students develop vital interests in a particular field within Liberal Studies.
- **The Path for Self Seekers** - Some of our students utilize the Liberal Studies major to develop a stronger sense of themselves to develop their further interests as they self-discovery.

The number of credit hours required to complete an academic major varies according to the academic program. No course grade may be lower than C. Specific coursework is prescribed for the major and is described under each program.

University CORE Program

Code #	Title	Credits
	Category 1 - Purposive Communications (9 Credits)	9
	Category 2 - Quantitative Skills (3 Credits)	3
	Category 3 - Behavioral/Social Understanding (6 Credits)	6
	Category 4 - Scientific Reasoning (7 Credits)	7
	Category 5: Humanities and Fine Arts (6 Credits)	6
	Category 6: Technology Fluency (3 Credits)	3

Subject Area 1 (4 Courses)

Reviewed and approved by your Navigator.

Subject Area 2 (4 Courses)

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Program Required (1 Course)

Code #	Title	Credits
LIBS 299	Liberal Studies I	3

University Studies (1 Course)

Code #	Title	Credits
LIBR 150	Library Research	1
Total Credits		62