

Liberal Arts

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Develop your practical skills and knowledge to succeed in a variety of industries and careers



Overview

The Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts program combines course work in communications, economics, political science, sociology, and humanities to provide a broad-based liberal arts education. Through this well-rounded curriculum, you learn effective writing and verbal communication, problem solving, and analytical thinking skills. This degree prepares you for a range of opportunities and positions in a variety of industries.

This flexible degree program allows you to select courses that best suit your interests and career objectives. After building foundational skills across a spectrum of disciplines, you are prepared to specialize in one specific to your career pursuits by completing a degree minor.

Specific Admission Requirements

- 40 semester hours of transferable college credit with a GPA of 2.0 or better
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- An associate's degree at the community college level - an A.A. or A.S. degree from a Colorado community college provides the greatest transferability of credits

Program Completion Requirements

- 120 credit hours (a minimum of 60 credits must be transferred into the program)
- 42 upper-division credits (300- to 400-level)
- Minimum of 30 upper-division credits earned at Colorado State University

Time Frame

The program duration will vary based on your learning style, intensity of study, previous course work, and career objectives. Courses are not offered during the summer.

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Degree Requirements and Curriculum

The Liberal Arts degree curriculum builds a foundation for you to develop an understanding of humans, their interactions, history, and literature; social, political, and economic systems and styles; and relationships across the world.

Advanced Writing (3 credits required)

- JTC 300 - Professional and Technical Communications (3 cr.)

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (39 credits required)

- E 436 - American Fiction, 1945 – Present (3 cr.)
- ECON 304 - Intermediate Macroeconomics (3 cr.)
- ECON 306 - Intermediate Microeconomics (3 cr.)
- ECON 315 - Money and Banking (3 cr.)
- ECON 320 - Economics of Public Finance (3 cr.)
- ECON 335 - Introduction to Econometrics (3 cr.)
- GR 320 - Cultural Geography (3 cr.)
- JTC 300 - Professional & Technical Communication (3 cr.)
- JTC 301 - Business Communication (3 cr.)
- JTC 326 - Online Writing and Journalism (3 cr.)
- JTC 340 - Video Editing (3 cr.)
- JTC 350 - Public Relations (3 cr.)
- JTC 361 - Writing for Specialized Magazines (3 cr.)
- JTC 411 - Media Ethics and Issues (3 cr.)
- JTC 413 - New Communication Technologies and Society (3 cr.)
- POLS 302 - U.S. Political Parties and Elections (3 cr.)
- POLS 361 - U.S. Environmental Politics and Policy (3 cr.)
- POLS 420 - History of Political Thought (3 cr.)
- POLS 437 - American Security Policy (3 cr.)
- SOC 330 - Social Stratification (3 cr.)
- SOC 332 - Comparative Majority-Minority Relations (3 cr.)
- SPCM 350 - Evaluating Contemporary Film (3 cr.)
- SPCM 378 - Virtual Workplace Communication (3 cr.)
- SPCM 420 - Political Communication (3 cr.)

Electives (12 credits required)

- ECON 202 - Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr.)
- ECON 204 - Principles of Macroeconomics (3 cr.)
- ECON 211 - Gender in the Economy (3 cr.)
- GR 100 - Introduction to Geography (3 cr.)
- PHIL 103 - Moral and Social Problems (3 cr.)
- POLS 101 - American Government and Politics (3 cr.)
- POLS 103 - State and Local Government and Politics (3 cr.)
- POLS 241 - Comparative Government and Politics (3 cr.)
- SOC 100- General Sociology (3 cr.)

Capstone

- LB 492 - Liberal Arts Capstone Seminar (3 cr.)



Career Opportunities

A Liberal Arts degree will not only increase your employment marketability, it will advance and refine your competencies for new employment responsibilities. Graduates from this liberal arts degree program apply their education in a wide variety of careers, including public policy, mass media, law, city planning, business, information systems, journalism, publishing, education, sales and marketing, government, communications, museum work, and entertainment.

Courses already taken can apply to a minor regardless of when the minor is added to your student record. All minor requirements must be completed prior to graduation. Minors include:

- Anthropology
- Business administration
- Economics
- Media studies
- Political science
- Sociology

Who should earn this degree?

Those seeking to gain knowledge and interpersonal skills that provide a basis for career advancement in virtually every career in the private, public, and nonprofit sectors.