

# Some Questions & Answers about the Liberal Studies Major

## Q: What are Liberal Studies?

*A: From art, English and history to anthropology, literature and education, Liberal Studies covers almost every area of learning. Put simply, the Liberal Studies major provides a broad-based education that pulls from many disciplines.*

## Q: 'Liberal Studies' sounds political. Do I have to be a Democrat to complete this major?

*A: Of course not! The term 'Liberal Studies' comes from the Ancient Greeks. Rhetoric, literature, history, music and art once formed the basis for all education and this is the foundation of our major. In many ways, Liberal Studies is the most traditional college program.*

## Q: Are there minors associated with the Department of Liberal Studies?

*A: Yes. Students can choose to minor in History, English/Literature, Education, Business Management, Computer Information Systems, Web & Digital Media or Psychology.*

## Q: Can I specialize in a subject area that does not have a minor?

*A: Yes. If you complete 18 credit hours in a discipline area that does not have a minor, your area of concentration will be noted on your transcript.*



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# Why Choose Liberal Studies Education?

Liberal Studies provides an interdisciplinary approach to a wide range of academic disciplines. Students experience the natural and social sciences, humanities, the arts, and multicultural diversity. Graduates emerge with a global perspective and a broad foundation of knowledge, enhancing their critical thinking and analytical skills that are increasingly important in the work world. A wide range of career opportunities are available to graduates, as well as continued education in graduate programs.



## Liberal Studies: A Glance at the Major

**The Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies requires completion of the General Education core requirements of 36 credits and the following coursework:**

Cultural Anthropology  
General Anthropology  
History of Western Civilization (I or II)  
Multicultural Diversity  
Personal Development  
World Literature

**The Bachelor of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies requires the coursework noted above and the following courses:**

Ethics  
Liberal Studies Senior Seminar  
6 Credit Hours in Literature  
6 Credit Hours in History  
Media Studies

### **Things to look forward to in Liberal Studies:**

- *Diversity in courses and choice of (7) minors to enhance your liberal studies education.*
- *Beacon College Global Awareness Program featuring guest speakers from around the world.*
- *History on Wheels: A Traveling History Course.*
- *Classes in Stained Glass, Caribbean Archaeology, Storytelling, Florida Archaeology and more!*

## What can you do with a degree in Liberal Studies?

**Design your Liberal Studies major to reflect your career interests through a choice of a minor concentration of study. Potential careers for Liberal Studies graduates are:**

Advertising  
Art Therapy  
Archaeology  
Civil Service  
Education  
Film Production  
Graphic Design  
Journalism / Mass Communication  
Management  
Marketing  
Politics  
Public Relations / Publishing  
Real Estate  
Research Assistant  
Tourism

***Fortune Magazine noted 38% of American CEOs graduated with a liberal arts degree.***