Liberal Studies

The College of Arts and Sciences offers the Individualized Major in the Liberal Studies Program, which allows qualifying students the opportunity to form a tailor-made degree. The degree plan must be coherent and tie together tightly enough to be the academic equivalent of a traditional major.

Mission Statement

For our majors, Liberal Studies provides courses on interdisciplinary inquiry and writing, and empowers students to create the course of study they need to reach their personal goals.

For the College, Liberal Studies ensures that students with a vision of their own futures will find a program that suits their needs and ambitions—whatever they may be—here in Arts and Sciences, even by including blocks of courses from other units.

From the University, Liberal Studies provides a center of innovation and excellence in interdisciplinary studies, where our students and our institution as a whole can compete on equal terms with any other institution in America.

Available Programs

Programs include, but are not limited to, the following themes:

• Pre-medicine, pre-law, pre-dentistry, pre-expressive therapies, pre-communicative disorders
• Environmental, ecological studies and sustainability
• East Asian languages and cultural studies
• Community development
• Military leadership
• Human rights advocacy
• Senior adult ministry
• Creative performance and arts management
• Computer-mediated communication
• Higher education administration

Internships

Cooperative education and internships offer the opportunity to integrate academic course work with career experience. It provides an opportunity to test career choices in work settings and increases your marketability upon graduation by developing a career-related work record.

For more information, visit the department’s web site at http://louisville.edu/liberalstudies/approved-majors/cooperative-internship.

Admission

To be approved as an Individualized Major, a student must meet the following eligibility requirements:

• 2.75 cumulative GPA, including transfer credits where applicable
• 45 completed semester hours at the college level
• A written proposal and accompanying plan, both of which must be approved by the Liberal Studies Director before the applicant can become an approved major

Please visit louisville.edu/liberalstudies/prospective-majors/designing-a-program for more information regarding how the Individualized Major is designed.

For More Information
Call: 502.852.6794
Visit: louisville.edu/liberalstudies

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