

California State University, San Bernardino
College of Arts and Letters
B.A. in Liberal Studies
General Track
2016-2017

The Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies is a multidisciplinary program designed for students whose needs or interests require a more broadly-based liberal arts curriculum than is possible through existing disciplines. This track is configured for students who plan to become elementary school teachers.

Program Overview

- A. 28 units - Reading, Language, and Literature
- B. 28 units - History and Social Science
- C. 18 units - Mathematics
- D. 22 units - Science
- E. 13 units - Visual and Performing Arts
- F. 10 units - Physical Education and Health
- G. 10 units - Human Development
- H. 20 units - Additional General Education (GE) Requirements
- I. 08 units - Additional Liberal Studies Requirements
- J. 16 units - Field of Concentration
- K. 07 units – Free Electives

All Liberal Studies students should give special attention to the following points before they begin their course work:

- Since the Liberal Studies program contains a variety of choices, students should seek advisement as early as possible at the Liberal Studies Peer Advising Center (PALS), CE-114, (909) 537-5482, pals@csusb.edu.
- By completing the Liberal Studies program, students also fulfill the general education requirements of the university.
- A course only can be counted once within the Liberal Studies program; for example, a course taken in the Concentration, category J, cannot be taken in a breadth area, categories A through I.
- The Liberal Studies, General Track program is designed especially for students who wish to enter elementary school teaching.
- Assessment is a required component of the Liberal Studies major and is found under category I. All entering freshmen must enroll in HUM 197 at the earliest possible date. After 90 units are completed, students must enroll in HUM 397. After 135 units are completed, students must enroll in HUM 597; in either of their last two quarters.
- Transfer students must enroll in HUM 197 during their first quarter if they have not had an equivalent course elsewhere, immediately followed by HUM 397. They will then take HUM 597 in either of their last two quarters;
- All graduating Liberal Studies students must maintain a grade point average of at least 2.0 ("C"). Students who plan to seek their multiple subject teaching credential at CSUSB must achieve a minimum GPA of at least 2.7.
- All courses transferred in from community colleges are by definition lower-division courses and are never equivalent to any upper-division courses. See transfer course guides at Liberal Studies website or Assist.Org.
- Students may, at any time, access their Program Advising Work Sheet (PAWS) report through their MyCoyote Account

- Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 units to receive the maximum amount of Financial Aide. However, to complete the major in four years requires an average course load of 15-16 units per quarter.

Other Reminders:

- In your junior year take and pass the Multiple Subjects California State Examination for Teachers (CSET).
- In your sophomore year take and pass your California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST).
- File a "Graduation Requirement Check" form with Records, Registration and Evaluation when you have approximately 10 courses remaining or about two quarters before you expect to graduate.
- Be certain your "Graduation Requirement Check" form reflects the quarter in which you expect to complete all requirements for your B.A. in Liberal Studies. In the event your graduation will be delayed, make sure you re-file your "Graduation Requirement Check" form with the new date of completion.
- Commencement ceremonies are in June and December. You are allowed to take courses one quarter beyond the date of your commencement to fulfill graduation requirements.
- Declaring a minor is not a requirement for the Liberal Studies degree. If you do declare a minor, go to the department in which the minor is offered for your minor advising. If you do not complete the requirements for the minor upon graduation, you must officially drop the minor before your degree can be posted.
- Two quarters before graduation, apply to the Credential Program by contacting a Credential Advisor at (909) 537-5650 or by attending one of the Informational Meetings for a Multiple Subject Credential listed each quarter in the Schedule of Classes. These class meetings are also posted in the PALS Office.
- California Subject Examinations for Teachers/Multiple Subjects (CSET) is a hiring requirement for all schools. This test must also be passed prior to admission to a credential program at any CSU campus

How to use this checklist:

- This checklist is intended as an aid in tracking the required courses for completing the B.A. degree in Liberal Studies. You should update it each quarter by checking off courses completed and compare it against your PAWS report. Please bring this checklist and your most current PAWS report to the Liberal Studies Advising Center (CE-114).
- Courses taken and transferred from other institutions should only be checked off in accordance to what is shown on your PAWS report. If you believe a discrepancy exists between your PAWS report and this checklist, see a PALS advisor.

Please Note:

- This checklist is not an official summary and is subject to change. Use it only as a guide for your official PAWS report from the Office of the Registrar. Remember, you are ultimately responsible for completing all university requirements for graduation.

Additional Resources:

- <http://www.symbaloo.com/home/mix/csusbpals>
- <http://bulletin.csusb.edu/>
- <http://liberalstudies.csusb.edu/>

A. Reading, Language, and Literature

1) Freshman Composition (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	Eng	104A	Stretch Composition III
	Eng	104B	Stretch Composition III for Multilingual Students
	Eng	106A	Accelerated Stretch Composition II
	Eng	106B	Accelerated Stretch Composition II for Multilingual Students
	Eng	107	Advanced First-Year Composition

2) Oral Communication (4)

___ Choose 1	Comm	120	Oral Communication
	Hon	104C	Language and Meaning: Oral Communication (open only to Honors Program students)

3) Lower division Literature (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	Eng	110	World Literature I
	Eng	111	World Literature II
	Eng	160	World Drama
	Eng	170	Studies in Literature
	TA	160	World Drama
	TA	212	Oral Interpretation of Literature

4) Upper division Writing (G.E.) (4) (C- or better) (Proficiency Exam Available)

___ Choose 1	Educ	306	Expository Writing for Education
	Eng	306	Expository Writing for English
	Hon	306	Expository Writing for Honors (open only to Honors Program students)
	Hum	306	Expository Writing for the Humanities
	Mgmt	306	Expository Writing for Administration
	NSci	306	Expository Writing for the Natural Sciences
	SSci	306	Expository Writing for the Social Sciences

5) Analysis of Literature (4)

___ Choose 1	Eng	301A	Analysis of Poetry
	Eng	302A	Analysis of Drama
	Eng	303A	Analysis of Prose Fiction
	Eng	304A	Analysis of Nonfiction Prose
	TA	302A	Analysis of Drama

6) Linguistics (4) (C- or better)

___ Choose 1	Eng	311	The English Language
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7) Children's Literature (4)

___ Choose 1	Eng	320	Children's Literature
	Eng	327	Literature for Adolescents and Young Adults

B. History and Social Science

1) World Civilization I (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	Hist	140	World Civilizations I, the Rise of Civilization
	Anth	140	World Civilizations I, the Rise of Civilization

4) Technology (G.E.) (2)

___ Take CSE 129 Science, Computing and Society

E. Visual and Performing Arts

1) Art Appreciation (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1 Art 200 Studies in Art
 Mus 180 Studies in Music
 TA 260 Introduction to Theatre

2) Music Activity (3)

___ Take Mus 370 Music for Elementary Classroom Teachers

3) Theatre Activity (3)

___ Choose 1 TA 481 Creative Drama in the Classroom
 TA 484 Readers Theatre in the Classroom
 TA 486 Puppetry in the Classroom

4) Visual Arts Activity (3)

___ Choose 1 Art 395 Art in the Classroom
 Art 400 Teaching Art in the Elementary Classroom

F. Physical Education and Health

1) Physical Education (G.E.) (2)

___ Choose 1 Kine 101A-S Individual and Dual Activities
 Kine 114A-F Physical Fitness and Conditioning Activities
 Kine 120A-L Somatic and Martial Arts Activities
 Kine 121A-K Team Activities
 Kine 137A-L Aquatic Activities
 Kine 147 A Fitness Odyssey
 Kine 149 Independent Activity Project
 Kine 150A-K Dance Activities

2) Physical Fitness (G.E.) (2)

___ Take Kine 205 Foundations for Lifetime Fitness and Wellness

3) Movement Skills (4)

___ Choose 1 Dan 481 Creative Dance in the Classroom
 Kine 352 Movement for Children

4) Health (2) (C- or better)

___ Take HSci 100 Concepts in Health

G. Human Development

1) Child Development (6) (C- or better) (Choose 6 units from A **or** B)

Option A:

___ Take	HD	240	Introduction to Child Development (4)
___ Choose 1	HD	246	Observation and Methods in Child Development: Middle Childhood (2)
	HD	247	Observation and Methods in Child Development: Adolescence (2)

Option B:

___ Take	EELB	301	Growth and Development in Socio-Educational Contexts (6)
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2) Exceptional Child (4) (C- or better)

___ Take	Psyc	350	Development of Exceptional Children
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H. Additional General Education Requirements

1) Critical Thinking (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	Comm	180	Critical Thinking Through Argumentation
	Hon	104A	Language and Meaning: Critical Thinking
	Math	180	Critical Thinking Through Applications of Mathematical Logic
	Phil	105	Critical Thinking Through Argument Analysis
	Phil	200	Critical Thinking Through Symbolic Logic
	Psyc	105	Critical Thinking Through Problems Analysis
	Soc	180	Critical Thinking about Social Problems

2) Philosophy (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	Hon	104B	Language and Meaning: Introduction to Philosophy
	Phil	190	Introduction to Philosophical Issues
	Phil	191	Introduction to Ethics
	Phil	192	Introduction to Philosophy of Religion
	Phil	193	Introduction to Eastern Philosophy
	Phil	194	Introduction to Knowledge and Reality

3) Foreign Language (G.E.) (4) (Has 2 prerequisites – 101 and 102)

___ Choose 1	Arab	103	College Arabic III
	ASL	103	American Sign Language III
	Chin	103	College Chinese III
	Fren	103	College French III
	Ger	103	College German III
	Japn	103	College Japanese III
	Kor	103	College Korean III
	Span	103	College Spanish III (Has placement test)

4) Integrative Capstone in the Humanities (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	Hum	319	Myth, Metaphor and Symbol
	Hum	325	Perspectives on Gender **
	Hum	328	Asian Cultural Traditions **
	Hum	330	Arts and Ideas
	Hum	335	The Origin and Contemporary Role of Latino Culture **
	Hum	340	Interpretation and Values
	Hum	344	Ideas in American Culture

More options for this requirement on the next page

Hum	350	The Cultures of American Childhood **
Hum	370	African Heritage in the Arts **
Hum	375	The World of Islam **
Hum	380	Comparative Studies in the Arts: East and West **
Hum	385	A Cultural History of Fashion

5) Integrative Capstone in the Social and Behavioral Sciences (G.E.) (4)

___ Choose 1	SSci	300	Nonwestern World
	SSci	304	Contemporary Latin America
	SSci	315	Cultural Adaptation: The Quest for Survival
	SSci	316	Race and Racism **
	SSci	320	Understanding Capitalism
	SSci	321	Urbanization and the Urban Environment
	SSci	325	Perspectives on Gender **
	SSci	345	Religious Expression in America
	SSci	350	Roots of Modern Racism in America **

6) Multicultural/Gender Requirement (G.E.)

___ *Take one course in either 4 or 5 above with a ** to fulfill this requirement.*

I. Additional Liberal Studies Requirements

1) Assessment (4)

___ Take	Hum	197	Assessment Preparation I in Liberal Studies (Take during 1 st term) (1)
___ Take	Hum	397	Assessment Preparation II in Liberal Studies (1)
___ Take	Hum	597	Senior Assessment in Liberal Studies (Must be taken in either of last two quarters before graduation) (2)

2) Classroom Experiences (4)

___ Take	EELB	230	Introduction to Education
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J. Concentration (16 – 18 units) (Choose 1) (Approved courses available at liberalstudies.csusb.edu)

- Anthropology *
- Art
- Art, Music and Theatre for Teachers
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Chicano/a and Latino/a Studies*
- Communication Studies
- Computer Science
- Dance
- Economics
- English
- French*
- Gender/Sexuality Studies
- Geography
- Geology*
- German*
- Health Science for Teachers
- History
- Human Development
- Kinesiology (no activity courses)
- Latin American Studies*
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology*
- Spanish*
- Special Education
- Theatre Arts

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