



ACADEMIC MAP TO BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LIBERAL ARTS

2026-2027



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YEAR 1	SEMESTER 1		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
	ENGL 1010 – Composition & Rhetoric I				3	C
	MATH 1020 – College Algebra				3	
	HIST 1010 or 2010				3	
	PSYC 1010 or SOC 1010				3	
	Liberal Arts Elective				3	
	UNIV 1000 – The University Experience				1	

Semester Credits _____

SEMESTER 2		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
ENGL 1020 – Composition & Rhetoric II				3	C
MATH 1060 – Finite Mathematics				3	
Liberal Arts Elective				3	
GEOG 1010 or PSCI 2010				3	
Liberal Arts Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 2	SEMESTER 1		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
	ENGL 2110 – Introduction to Literature				3	
	SCI 1010 – Basic Concepts of Physical Science				3	
	COMM 1010 or 2500				3	
	Liberal Arts Elective				3	
	Liberal Arts Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
SCI 1020 – Basic Concepts of Biological Science				3	
FA 1040 – Fine Arts				3	
Liberal Arts Elective				3	
Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	
Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 3	SEMESTER 1		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
	Foreign Language (1010 – 1st Semester)				3	
	SCI 2010 or 2020 – Basic Concepts of Physical or Biological Science II				3	
	Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	
	Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	
	Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
Foreign Language (1020- 2nd Semester)				3	
Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	
Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	
Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	
Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

YEAR 4	SEMESTER 1		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
	Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	
	Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	
	Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	
	Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	
	Liberal Arts or Minor Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits _____

SEMESTER 2		Milestones	Grade	Credits	Min Grade
IDS 4020- Perspectives/Senior Seminar				3	
IDS 4030- Career Readiness/Senior Seminar				3	
Upper-level Liberal Arts Elective				3	
Liberal Arts Elective				3	
Liberal Arts Elective				3	

Semester Credits _____

Total Credits 120



Must maintain a 2.0 GPA within Major and Concentration to graduate.

LIBERAL ARTS SUBJECTS:

Addiction Studies, Anthropology, Art, Communications, Criminal Justice, Dance, Economics, English, Fine Arts, (any) Foreign Language, Geography, History, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Pre-law and Paralegal Studies, Psychology, (any) Scholars' College course, Social Work, Sociology, Theatre, Unified Public Safety Administration

Required for Graduation

See Advisor for more options

Milestone

Academic Electives



YOU'VE FINISHED!

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

120 total hours | 62 hours in Liberal Arts curriculum | Remaining hours in Liberal Arts electives or to complete a minor

Courses taken outside of a student's degree program are not eligible for Title IV federal financial aid (grants and loans). However, elective courses are eligible for Title IV aid if they are required and included in the student's program of study. Once a student has completed all required elective credits, any additional elective courses taken beyond the program's requirements will not be eligible for Title IV funding.