

# Liberal Arts and Electives

## Liberal Arts

The Liberal Arts encompass a broad field of study that emphasizes critical thinking, effective communication, and an understanding of the human experience. Rooted in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and mathematics, a liberal arts education fosters intellectual curiosity, ethical reasoning, and lifelong learning. Students are encouraged to explore diverse perspectives, cultivate analytical and problem-solving skills, and develop the adaptability necessary for responsible citizenship and professional success in a rapidly changing world.

Liberal Arts courses may also be used to satisfy general education or major requirements.

The Liberal Arts requirements for each degree are as follows:

Associate in Science	30 liberal arts credits
Bachelor of Arts in Sociology	90 liberal arts credits
Bachelor of Science	30 liberal arts credits

## General Electives

Elective courses provide students with the opportunity to explore academic interests beyond the requirements of their major or general education curriculum. These courses allow for academic flexibility and personal enrichment, enabling students to broaden their educational experience, develop new skills, or deepen knowledge in a secondary area of interest. Electives may be chosen freely from most disciplines as long as course registration pre-requisites have been met. The number of elective credits required varies by degree program.