



DEGREE OFFERED

Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies

Elementary School Teaching emphasis:

a major which prepares students for entry into a teaching credential program for grades K-8.

Liberal Arts emphasis:

a major which offers students the intellectual challenge of a degree which encompasses the broad spectrum of the liberal arts.

ABOUT THE MAJOR

The Liberal Studies major is the broadest major in the University curriculum. Students take a wide range of courses in all academic divisions of the college. The Liberal Studies major includes foundation and advanced courses in the traditional liberal arts fields: humanities, fine and performing arts, mathematics and sciences, and the social sciences. In addition, students choose a twelve-unit Concentration for depth in one field of study.

Some possible areas of Concentration are: Humanities in World Cultures, Language Arts, Literature, Social Science, Teaching English as a Second Language, or Values Inquiry and Moral Reasoning. Students may also choose to design their own disciplinary or multi-disciplinary concentrations.

The Liberal Studies program at Holy Names offers small classes and frequent interactions with Liberal Studies advisors and professors. In their final year of study, students present an integrative portfolio of their college work and meet with advisors to assess their preparation for future work and study. Students participate in an internship and work closely with career counselors and representatives of the HNU credential program to explore career options (Students interested in teaching who are already working in an elementary school setting may have this requirement waived).

Students interested in teaching may enter the HNU credential program which will complete the teaching training required for a California Credential.

CAREER OPTIONS

Graduates interested in teaching in grades K-8 have preparation in all of the subject matter areas taught in the schools. They are prepared to begin post-graduate studies in a credential program.

The broad scope of the Liberal Studies major also prepares graduates for careers or graduate study in law, international business, management, journalism, environmental studies, and other fields where a wide knowledge of different disciplines will be important.

CURRICULUM

Foundation Courses:

The Foundation level courses satisfy the general education requirements of the University.

Arts of Language:

ENGL 1A
ENGL 1B
COMM 1
Foreign Language

Arts of Thinking:

MATH 7
CSCI level one competency
PHIL 2

Disciplinary Studies:

Human Sciences

HIST 17A or PSCI 1
HIST 17B
PSYC 1B

Natural Sciences

BIOL 15 and PHSC 15

Humanities

PHIL/RLST 40W or PHIL/RLST 20W

One course in Fine and Performing Arts

Interdisciplinary Studies:

ISAC 1/101
ISAC 2/102
ISAC 3/103
ISAC 4/104

Health and Physical Education/Career Exploration:

PHED for Educators: PHED 110
HLTH for Educators
LBST 10

Advanced Courses:

These courses build upon the Foundation level work to enlarge and deepen knowledge in specific areas of study.

Arts of Language:

One course in writing

ENGL 107W or 108W

One course in literature

ENGL 114, 120-122, 130-133, 151

One course in linguistics

LING 145

Arts of Thinking:

MATH 151

Disciplinary Studies:

Human Sciences

One course dealing with Social Dynamics/Ethnic Experience

HIST 172-179

SOCI 130, 165, 169

One course in Human Development

PSYC 130, 132, 134 or 160

One course in History/Geography

HIST 170 or 183

or other advised course

Natural Sciences

One course in Life Science

BIOL 1B, 100, 110, 120, or 190

One course in Physical Science

PHSC 110 or 190/197

Humanities and the Arts

One course in Philosophy or Religious Studies

One course in Fine and Performing Arts

Interdisciplinary Studies:

ISAC 195 (W)

Career Exploration/Field Experience:

LBST 196

LBST 110

Concentration or Minor:

Three or more additional Advanced courses in an area of the student's choice.

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