

Liberal Arts A.A. (LIBA)

The Liberal Arts degree program fosters strong thinking skills towards a dually purposed goal: to prepare students to be active citizens in a strong democracy and to develop the intellectual skills that employers desire. Students will take up study in a diversity of courses that provide, in addition to these skills, a foundational set of knowledge that forms a strong basis for further academic study.

Upon successful completion of this program, graduates will be able to:

- demonstrate creativity and critical thinking.
- analyze intricate problems involving unclear possibilities.
- employ effective methods of research.
- effectively use written and oral communication skills.
- develop and apply problem-solving skills.
- interpret how systems work in the natural world.
- evaluate ethical aspects of decision-making.

Students intending to transfer and major in a particular discipline, such as **English, history, political science or sociology**, should seek advisement from their academic advisor and from faculty in that field.

Students should consult the catalog of the four-year college or university to which he or she plans to transfer to ensure that degree requirements are being properly met. Transfer information for this program is on file in the Transfer and University Center. For more information, contact an academic advisor or counselor.

An exception to the physical education requirement is available for students who have a physician complete an official LCCC medical waiver form. Waivers are granted solely on the basis that a physical limitation makes even very moderate activity non-beneficial to the participant. Waiver forms must be completed at least one full semester prior to the student's graduation. Request for a waiver should be directed to the Associate Dean of Professional Accreditation and Curriculum.

Prior Learning Assessment: Previous job training, certificates and work experience that may qualify for college credit (*see academic advisor*).

Gateway Courses: Based on placement testing in reading, writing and math, these prerequisite courses may have to be taken before placement in College English or Mathematics beginning the first semester and concurrently.

RSS 099	Basic Skills Reading	3
RSS 100	Critical Reading	3
ENG 099	Basic Skills Writing	3
ENG 100	Fundamentals of Writing	3
MAT 090	Mathematical Literacy	6
ESL 251	English for Academic Purpose	6

(Required for ESL students only.)

Please note, taking gateway courses will increase your time for completion.

First Semester		Credits
ENG 105	Research and Composition	3
SDS 106	Liberal Arts First Year Seminar	1
Elective	Physical Education	1
Elective*	Mathematics	3-4
Elective	Lab Science	4
Elective ⁺	Social Science	3
		15-16
Second Semester		
ENG 106	Introduction to Literature	3
ENG 111♦	Speech	3
Elective*	Mathematics	3-4
Elective	Social Science/Humanities (101 or higher)	3
Elective□	Social Science/Humanities	3
		15-16
Third Semester		
Elective●	Social Science/Humanities (201 or higher)	3
Elective†	Literature	3
Elective‡	Social Science	3
Elective#	General Education	3
Elective◇	Humanities	3
		15
Fourth Semester		
Elective❖	Social Science/Humanities/ Science/Mathematics	3-4
Elective❖	Social Science/Humanities/ Science/Mathematics	3-4
Elective	Science	3-4
Elective○	Free Elective	3
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		15-18
Credit Total		60

*MAT 105, 120, 150, 155, 160, 165, 170, 191, 196, 201, 230 (MAT 150 recommended).

†PSY 140 or SOC 150.

♦Or CMN 105, CMN 112, CMN 120

□HIS 123, HIS 124, HIS 130, HIS 131, GEO 110, GEO 115, (PSC 130 recommended).

●200-level course that builds upon the 101 or higher level course taken in the second semester.

†200-level courses only; ENG 225 and ENG 235 may not be used to fulfill this requirement.

‡PSC 235, PSC/ECO 237 or ECO 201 recommended.

#Foreign language or ASL courses recommended; otherwise 200-level course.

◇ Any PHI prefix course, ART 101, ART 212, MUS 101 or MUS 107.

❖200-level courses recommended.

○200-level courses recommended or Studio Art courses.

