LIBERAL STUDIES

California State University, Los Angeles

CAREER INFORMATION

The major in Liberal Studies offers a diversified curriculum for those who are attracted to an interdisciplinary program of study. The purposes of Liberal Studies are twofold: (1) to prepare students for graduate work in such fields as law, business, human services, government, and public relations or to pursue intellectual fulfillment for its own sake; and (2) to provide the undergraduate preparation for students to teach in the public schools of California. Liberal Studies is approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing as a baccalaureate waiver program for entry into a multiple subject (for elementary-level teaching) or special education program.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Bachelor of Arts degree program in Liberal Studies at California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA) offers two options: the General Option and the Multiple Subject Credential Option. The General Option provides students with the opportunity to design a major that focuses on understanding oneself, one's cultural heritage, the natural and social world, contemporary issues, and methods of analysis, inquiry, and problem-solving. Students may incorporate preparation for teaching at the elementary school level into the major by completing the Multiple Subject Credential Option.

The Areas listed below contain the CSULA lower-division course requirements and their Long Beach City College (LBCC) equivalents. The first course listed is the LBCC department and course number followed by the CSULA department and course number in parentheses. For example, for the equivalency Anthr 1(Anth 260), Anthr 1 is the LBCC course and Anth 260 is the CSULA course.

As requirements do change, please check www.assist.org for the most current articulation information. Moreover, you must see a counselor to develop an accurate educational plan to ensure your competitiveness for admission to CSULA. To thoroughly understand admissions and general education requirements please check the CSULA catalog.

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B.A. – Liberal Studies

GENERAL OPTION (84 units)

AREA I: Cultural Heritage (16 units)
(All upper-division courses at CSULA)

AREA II: The Natural World (select 16 units from one theme with no more than 9 units from any one department)

Theme 1: Humanity and Its Natural Environment
Anthr 1 (Anth 260); Bio 1A & 1B (Biol 101, 102, 103); Bio 5 (Biol 156), Bio 11 (Biol 165), Chem 1A (Chem 101), Chem 1A & 1B (Chem 101, 102, 103), 3B (152); Geol 3 (Geol 252)
(No LBCC equivalents to the following CSULA courses: Biol 155; Chem 151, 158, 159, 160; Geog 160; Geol 155, 158; Phys 150, 155; Psy 170)

Theme 2: The Universe and Its Mathematical Rules
Astr 1 & 1L (Astr 151 & 152); CBIS 8A or Math 15 (CS 190); Engr 54 or Math 54 (CS 290); Math 60 (Math 206); 47 (242)
(No LBCC equivalents to the following CSULA courses: Astr 160; Soc 210AB; CS 203; Math 274; Geog 160; Math 207; Phys 150)

AREA III: Creative Dimensions (select 16 units from one theme with no more than 9 units from any one department)

Theme 1: Aesthetics and Religion
(All upper-division courses at CSULA)

Theme 2: Creative Use of Leisure: (NOTE: In this theme, you may complete all 16 units in one academic department)
(With the approval of a Liberal Studies adviser, any art activity course, except for art history, art appreciation, or literature courses)

Music 7AB or 8AD (Mus 230), 51A & 51B (243ABC) and with the approval of a Liberal Studies adviser, any music performance course (do not include music appreciation, literature, theory, or history classes)

Sp 50 (Comm 267) and with the approval of a Liberal Studies adviser, any Dance or Theatre performance courses (do not include dance or theatre arts history, appreciation, or theory courses)
(No LBCC equivalents to the following CSULA courses: Comm 268)
AREA IV: The Contemporary Idiom (16 units)
(All upper-division courses at CSULA)

MULTIPLE SUBJECT TEACHER PREPARATION OPTION (75-80 units, plus 106-111 common core units)
(All upper-division courses at CSULA)