LS - Liberal Studies

LS 101US Interdisciplinary Ways of Knowing: 3 Credits (3 Other)
Introduction to the processes of academic inquiry through examination of
topics in disciplines encompassed by the Fine Arts, Humanities, Natural
Sciences, and Social Sciences.

LS 102 Intro Liberal Studies: 1 Credits (1 Other)
PREREQUISITE: University Seminar (US Course) or consent of
instructor. An introduction to the history and philosophy of liberal
education and a review of the Fine Arts, Humanities, Social and Natural
Science disciplines. The LS degree components and options will be
explained, as well career opportunities

LS 103 Gateway to Sustainability: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
This course introduces students to the historical and philosophical
background of sustainability, while acquainting them with the economic,
scientific, and regulatory environments within which conversations about
sustainability occur. It arms students with the theoretical, methodological,
and political tools to begin envisioning a sustainable future for Earth's
inhabitants.

LS 104 Introduction to Global Health: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
This course will introduce the core concepts, principles and functions of
global health. It will provide an overview of health determinants, methods
for measuring population health and trends in global health and disease.
The course will examine how sociocultural, educational, nutritional,
environmental, economic and political factors influence the global patterns
of disease and health inequities – including both communicable and non-
communicable diseases. Finally, the course will discuss key actors working
together to improve global health, and career areas in this field. All majors
welcome, no pre-requisites.

LS 191 Special Topics: 1-4 Credits (1-4 Lec, 1-4 Lab)
Repeatable up to 12 credits.

LS 194D Introduction to Africana Studies: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
An introduction to the study of Africa and the African diaspora. Students
will learn the basic concepts and literatures of Africana studies from forced
migration to resettlement in new homelands.

LS 290R Undergraduate Research: 1-6 Credits (1-6 Other)
Directed undergraduate research/creative activity which may culminate in
a written work or other creative project. Course will address responsible
conduct of research. May be repeated. Repeatable up to 99 credits.

LS 301 Integrative Seminar: 1-3 Credits (1-3 Other)
PREREQUISITE: University Seminar and sophomore standing. The
integration of knowledge, theories, and concepts across different disciplines
in the Fine Arts, Humanities, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences.
Repeatable up to 9 credits.

LS 305 Ways of Seeing: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
This course will provide students with the knowledge and the perspectives
of different disciplines involved in experiencing, contextualizing, and
contemplating works of art. Students will analyze and discuss the theories of
aesthetics and ways of seeing in order to grasp the important role the visual
arts have in the global society.

LS 350 Literature Reviews: Theory & Practice: 3 Credits (3 Other)
PREREQUISITES: WRIT 101. This interdisciplinary course examines
scholarly information resources, literature review processes, and effective
techniques for tracking citations. Covers advanced literature research
methodologies and prepares students for reading and creating literature
reviews for their capstones, senior projects, and other in-depth research
endeavors

LS 391 Love, Betrayal, and Hell in French Theater: 1-4 Credits (1-4 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: Course prerequisites are determined depending on
content of each offering. Courses not required in any curriculum for which
there is a particular one-time need or given on a trial basis to determine
acceptability and demand before requesting a regular course number.
Repeatable up to 12 credits.

LS 402 From the Closet to the Courts: Contraception Through the
Ages: 3 Credits ()
PREREQUISITE: WRIT 101 or AMST 101 or LS 101 are recommended
and/or consent of instructor. Attempts to control fertility date back to the
dawn of human civilization. This class looks at the history of contraception,
examines the social and cultural factors underlying changes in reproductive
technologies, and charts the visual expression of fertility through art

LS 411 Sustainable Cities: 3 Credits (3 Other)
This course will investigate the theory, politics, ethics, and practice of
sustainable urban design. As environmental degradation and urban sprawl
continue to affect our cities, our communities, and our health, it is ever
more important that responsible citizens be knowledgeable about the
intersections of urban development and nature.

LS 450 Evolution and Public Opinion: 3 Credits (1 Lec, 2 Other)
This course will explore what evolution is and how it works. We will
examine the creationist and Intelligent Design arguments against evolution,
as well as the implications of this debate on public education and the public
perception of science.

LS 451 Film, Photos, and Culture: A Global Perspective: 3 Credits (3 Other)
This course is designed to improve students' intercultural competence – the
ability to work effectively with cultural difference. Films, television, TEDs
and photos are used to identify and analyze the differing dimensions of
global culture, and to learn various methods of adaptation.

LS 452 This is Your Brain on Art and Music: 3 Credits (3 Other)
This course will also discuss the neurological effects as well as the emotional
effects that art and music have on human beings. In addition to this, it
will also discuss the alleged healing properties of art and music (i.e. music
therapy, art therapy).

LS 460 Teaching Internship: 2 Credits (2 Other)
PREREQUISITE: US core and consent of instructor. As co-facilitators of
a section of LS 101US, students will acquire and have the opportunity to
practice classroom teaching strategies and mentoring skills.
Repeatable up to 4 credits.

LS 490R Undergraduate Research: 1-6 Credits (1-6 Other)
Directed undergraduate research/creative activity which may culminate in
a research paper, journal article, or undergraduate thesis. Course will address
responsible conduct of research. May be repeated.
Repeatable up to 12 credits.

LS 491 Special Topics: 1-4 Credits (1-4 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: Course prerequisites are dependent on the offering.
Courses not required in any curriculum for which there is a particular one-
time need or given on a trial basis to determine acceptability and demand
before requesting a regular course number.
Repeatable up to 12 credits.

LS 492 Independent Study: 1-3 Credits (1-3 Other)
Directed research and study on an individual basis.
Repeatable up to 6 credits.
LS 499 Senior Project: 4 Credits (4 Other)
PREREQUISITE: Senior status, Foreign language/Foundation courses completed, and department consent required. Senior capstone course. Opportunity for Liberal Studies majors to apply knowledge and experiences acquired throughout the program in researching and designing solutions to contemporary public policy issues.