

## LIBERAL STUDIES

The Liberal Studies program is designed to benefit students who seek progression and mobility in their educational and career goals. The program provides maximum flexibility in course selection while allowing the student to concentrate on subject matter of particular relevance.

The Liberal Studies program also is intended for those students who wish to enrich and satisfy their personal goals through non-specialized collegiate study.

While no specified major courses are required, the student must comply with all requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree and applicable university requirements (See General University Requirements).

The following limitations apply to the Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies:

- (a) A minor is not permitted in the Liberal Studies program.
- (b) Liberal Studies may not be considered as a minor to any other degree program.
- (c) Liberal Studies may not be considered as a second major with any other degree program.
- (d) The Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies degree will be awarded only to students who have not declared a major in another program of study.
- (e) The Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies degree will not be awarded concurrently with any other major.

### Bachelor of Science - Liberal Studies Major **MAJOR CODE: 24.0101**

Program components for the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Liberal Studies include:

1. **APPLICABLE GENERAL UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS:**

**To graduate, each student must:**

- complete a minimum of 33 semester hours of the last 39 semester hours at ASU.
- complete 60 to 64 semester hours of upper level college/university credit (300-400 level courses).
- complete a minimum of 15 semester hours of upper (300/400) level coursework in his or her major at Athens State University, not including courses taken by consortium arrangement. School or departmental regulations may require more than 15 semester hours of coursework in the major at Athens State University.
- complete all course requirements for major(s).
- complete all course requirements for minor (if applicable).
- complete all of the general education requirements for the degree.
- attain an overall grade point average of 2.0, a 2.0 on all coursework attempted at Athens State University and at least a 2.0 in the major field. School or departmental regulations may require more than a 2.0 grade point average (see major requirements in each discipline).
- complete the total hour requirement as specified by the degree.
- complete the teacher certification requirements (if applicable).

***EACH STUDENT MUST ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR KNOWING THE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEGREE THAT IS BEING PURSUED.***

2. **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:**

<b>Area I.</b>	<b>Written Composition .....</b>	<b>6 semester hours</b>	__ __
<b>Area II.</b>	<b>Humanities/Fine Arts (12 semester hours)</b>		
	<b>At least one</b> fine arts course .....	3 semester hours	__
	<b>At least one</b> literature course .....	3 semester hours	__
<b>Area III.</b>	<b>Mathematics and Natural Sciences (11 semester hours)</b>		
	Finite Math or its equivalent required .....	3 semester hours	__
	Natural Sciences (lab based) required .....	8 semester hours	__ __
<b>Area IV.</b>	<b>History/Behavioral and Social Sciences (12 semester hours)</b>		
	<b>At least one</b> history course .....	3 semester hours	__
	Additional History/Behavioral and Social Science courses .....	9 semester hours	__ __ __
<b><u>TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS .....</u></b>		<b><u>41 SEMESTER HOURS</u></b>	

3. **PRE-PROFESSIONAL AND ELECTIVE COURSES:**

CIS 146 Microcomputer Applications or  
CIS 301 Problem Solving with Computers ..... 3 semester hours \_\_\_\_  
General Electives ..... 19-20 semester hours

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**TOTAL PRE-PROFESSIONAL HOURS ..... 20-23 SEMESTER HOURS**

**TOTAL GEN. ED. REQ. & PRE-PROFESSIONAL HOURS ..... 60-64 SEMESTER HOURS**

4. **PROFESSIONAL COURSES:**

General electives at the 300 and 400 level ..... 64 semester hours

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**TOTAL HOURS FOR GRADUATION ..... 124-128 SEMESTER HOURS**