

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES
COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL & CONTINUING STUDIES
 THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education
Summer 2017 through Spring 2018

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	
Minimum Total Hours	120
Minimum Overall Grade Point Average	2.00
Minimum Grade Point Average in Major	2.00
Minimum Grade Point Average in OU Work	2.00

Liberal Studies
B640 (traditional) & B645 (electronic delivery)
 Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in four years.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (40–50 hours)			MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (45 hours)
Subject	Hours	Courses	A grade of “C” or higher must be earned in each course presented for major credit.
Symbolic & Oral Communication (Core I)	9-19	LSTD 1113, Interdisciplinary Composition I, and LSTD 1133, Interdisciplinary Composition II, and LSTD 1053, Mathematics in Liberal Studies Foreign Language, 0-10 hours, (Core I)—Students who have completed two years of high school foreign language are exempt from the general education foreign language requirement.	<p style="text-align: center;">Major Core Requirements (21 hours)</p> LSTD 1003, Intro to Interdisciplinary Study, or 2023, Strategies for Success LSTD 3003, Interdisciplinary Inquiry LSTD 3113, Special Topics in Humanities of the Ancient World LSTD 3333, Human Arrangements: Troubled Institutions, Problems, & Inequality LSTD 3513, The Dynamic Universe LSTD 3953, Study-in-Depth Prospectus LSTD 4953/4954, Study-in-Depth (Capstone)
Natural Science (Core II)	7-9	Two natural science courses from different disciplines, one must include a laboratory component — minimum 7 hours, 2-3 courses. LSTD 2533, Science as a Process (no laboratory), and _____ (must include a lab component)	<p style="text-align: center;">Primary Area of Concentration Requirements (18 hours)</p> Students will select one of the three areas of concentration below to complete as their primary curricular focus. Each area consists of four required courses and two elective courses: <u>Humanities</u> (Concentration Code P331) LSTD 2203, Evil Acts, Religious Reasons LSTD 3133, Special Topics in Humanities of the Modern World LSTD 3173, Renaissance Art (also meets a Humanities Gen Ed req.) LSCJ 3113, Comparative Justice Systems Humanities Elective: _____ Humanities Elective: _____ <u>Natural Sciences</u> (Concentration Code P466) LSTD 3533, Ecology and Evolution LSTD 3573, Chemistry for Changing Times LSTD 4563, Weather and Climate LSLC 3113, Lifespan Development Natural Science Elective: _____ Natural Science Elective: _____ <u>Social Sciences</u> (Concentration Code P606) LSA 4143, Cultural Diversity in the World LSCJ 2283, Introduction to Criminal Justice LSTD 3343, Challenges in a Changing World LSTD 3363, Ethics in Social Sciences Social Science Elective: _____ Social Science Elective: _____
Social Science (Core III)	6	LSTD 1333, Governing Ourselves, and LSTD 1313, What in the World are the Social Sciences?	<p style="text-align: center;">Secondary Area of Concentration Electives (6 hours)</p> Students will complete 6 hours of elective coursework from the two remaining Liberal Studies areas of concentration outside of their primary curricular focus.
Humanities (Core IV)	12	LSTD 1153, A History of the U.S. LSTD 3113, Special Topics in Humanities of the Ancient World LSTD 3173, Renaissance Art LSTD 3193, Art of the Non-Western World	<p style="text-align: center;">Free Electives</p> Electives to bring total applicable hours to 120 including 40 upper-division hours.
Senior Capstone (Core V)		Met in the Upper Division Major Requirements: LSTD 4953 or 4954, Study-in-Depth (Capstone)	

Courses taken to fulfill the University General Education Requirements must be chosen from the University-Wide General Education Approved Course List.

University-Wide General Education Requirements (minimum 40 hours)

Courses designated as Core I, II, III, IV, or Capstone are part of the General Education curriculum. Students must complete a minimum of 40 hours of General Education courses, chosen from the approved list, including at least one upper-division Gen. Ed. course outside of the student’s major concentration. Courses graded S/U or P/NP will not apply.

Core I	Symbolic and Oral Communication (9–19 hours, 3–5 courses) • English Composition—6 hours, 2 courses • Mathematics—3 hours, 1 course • Foreign Language—0–10 hours, 2 courses in the same language, (can be met by successful completion of 2 years of the same foreign language in high school) • Other (courses such as communication, logic or public speaking)
Core II	Natural Science (7 hours, 2 courses) • Courses must be taken from different disciplines in the biological and/or physical sciences; one of which must include a laboratory.
Core III	Social Science (6 hours, 2 courses) • One course must be P SC 1113, “American Federal Government” or general education-approved LSTD equivalent
Core IV	Humanities (12 hours, 4 courses) • Understanding Artistic Forms—3 hours, 1 course • Western Civilization and Culture—6 hours, 2 courses, including HIST 1483 or HIST 1493 or general education-approved LSTD equivalent • Non-Western Cultures—3 hours, 1 course
Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours, 1 course)	