Liberal Studies, BA Small Plan
Online Program

Program Overview
The College of Arts and Humanities’ BA, Liberal Studies small plan (45 cr) is attractive in a variety of situations and academic needs. The program is designed for students whose primary interest lies in a variety of areas within the arts and humanities and requires interdepartmental course selections, which are not possible within single academic programs or established curricula. The program offers students an opportunity to devise an approved, coherent program of study from across the institution, fulfilling academic and/or career goals and includes prerequisites consistent with the 300/400-level major coursework within the approved courses.

Students in the Liberal Studies major must take courses in at least three disciplines. Because of the humanistic focus of the program, courses used in the program "Course of Study" from disciplines outside of the College of Arts and Humanities require the approval of the BA, Liberal Studies program director.

Program Requirements
Program Core Courses
Complete the following:
- CAH 289 Introduction to the Major
- CAH 389 Academic and Career Exploration
- CAH 489 Senior Portfolio Project

Research Methods in Liberal Studies
Choose one of the following approved courses:
- COM 300 Media Research
- COM 351 Visual Anthropology
- ENG 303 Principles of English Studies
- HIST 302 Historical Methods
- HIST 395 Research in Local History
- WL 427 Cross-Cultural Competence in a Globalized World
- UNIV 205 Introduction to Interdisciplinary Research
- AND
- UNIV 295 Introduction to Undergraduate Research

Program Electives
35-36 credits must be taken from courses approved for the Liberal Studies major. CWU offers over 800 courses online each year. Students in the interdisciplinary Liberal Studies major must take courses in at least three disciplines within the major, and no more than 15 credits of lower-division (100/200) coursework may be included. No more than 10 credits may be numbered 490 (internship).

In addition, a Small Plan major must complete one (1) or more of the Liberal Arts PLUS Certificates or Opportunities.

A double major or minor is required with this degree plan. Courses used in the double major or minor cannot be used in this major.

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