

Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (Pre-Elementary Education)

Advising Sheet



Name _____

Year entered program _____

The Liberal Studies major is structured differently than other majors at Westmont. The courses used to fulfill Westmont's general Education requirement also fulfill the Liberal Studies requirements. Taken as outlined below, the program of study aligns to the Elementary Subject Matter test (CSET) which is required by the state to enter a multiple-subject (K-6) credential program.

Semester taken

1. Common Contexts (20 units)

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| A. Biblical/Theological Canons | RS 1 | Life and Literature of the Old Testament | 4 | |
| | RS 10 | Life and Literature of the New Testament | 4 | |
| | RS 20 | Introduction to Christian Doctrine | 4 | |
| B. Christian Liberal Arts | PHI 6 | Philosophical Perspectives | 4 | |
| | HIS 9 | World Civilizations to 1750 <small>(Note: Liberal Studies students fulfill this Common Context requirement differently than students in other majors)</small> | 4 | |

2. Common Inquires (32 units)

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| Reading Imaginative Literature | ENG 6 | Studies in Literature <small>(Note: Other English classes are periodically offered that fulfill this GE requirement and may be substituted for ENG 6.)</small> | 4 | |
| Exploring Physical Sciences | PHS 11 | Introduction to Physical Science | 4 | |
| Exploring Life Sciences | LS 12 | Introduction to Life Science | 4 | |
| Reasoning Abstractly | MA 160 | Fundamentals of Mathematics I | 4 | |
| Performing & Interpreting Arts | ART 180 | Art for Children | 4 | |
| Thinking Globally | ED 105 | Cultural Diversity | 4 | |
| Thinking Historically | HIS 7 | US History to 1877 | 4 | |
| Understanding Society | HIS 178 | California Experience | 4 | |

3. Common Skills (11-15 units)

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| A. Three writing/speech intensive courses | | | | |
| • Writing for the Liberal Arts | ENG 2 | Composition <small>Some students are exempt from ENG 2:</small> | 4 | |
| • Writing within the major | | <small>• Unit-bearing course (AP, IB, or Comp. course) • Examination (SAT, or ACT)</small> | | |
| • Writing outside the major | | <small>Candidates meet this requirement through ED 100: Explorations in Teaching (units counted elsewhere)</small> | | |
| B. Quantitative & Analytical Reasoning | MA 165 | Fundamentals of Mathematics II | 2 | |
| C. Modern/Foreign Language | | <small>One course of Foreign Language beyond whatever level you test into upon arrival</small> | 4 | |
| D. Physical Education | PEA 32 | Fitness for Life | 1 | |
| | PEA | PEA elective | 1 | |
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| | KNS 155 | Fundamentals of Movement | 2 | |

4. Competent and Compassionate Action (1 unit)

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| Creating & performing Integrating major discipline | ED 109 | Liberal Studies Seminar | 1 | |
| Serving society Communicating cross-culturally | | <small>Candidates meet this requirement through ED 100: Explorations in Teaching (units counted elsewhere)</small> | | |

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| 5. Additional Requirements for Liberal Studies Major (32 units) | | | |
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| ED 100 | Explorations in Teaching | 4 | |
| ED 160 | Computers for the Classroom Teacher | 2 | |
| ED 172 | Literature for Children and Adolescents | 4 | |
| ENG 104 | Modern Grammar and Advanced Composition | 4 | |
| ENG 106 | Language Acquisition | 4 | |
| KNS 156 | Health for the Classroom Teacher | 2 | |
| MUS 184 | Music for Children | 4 | |
| PHS 114 | Earth Science | 4 | |
| PSY 115 | Child Development | 4 | |
| 6. Academic Concentration (12 units) | | | |
| <p>Each Liberal Studies major chooses one of the concentrations below. Typically, this will include three, 4-unit courses from specified menus. For details, see the Liberal Studies Handbook: Academic Concentration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Studies (history and literature) • Art • English • Environmental Science • Hispanic Studies (Spanish language, literature, and culture) • History/Social Science • Mathematics • Music • Physical Science | | | |
| Concentration selected: | | | |
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| 7. Electives (12-16 units) | | | |
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- Total units for completing GE and requirements for major = 108-112.
Additional electives are needed to reach the 124 units required for graduation.
- For students who choose the fast-track option, leading to a Liberal Studies major and a preliminary teaching credential in 4 years, most of these elective units will consist of credential courses taken in the first semester of the final year of study.
- **Please be aware that acceptance into Westmont does not automatically guarantee admission into the Credential Program. In order to enter the Credential Program, you need to apply separately during your final year of regular study. Among other conditions, you need to have earned a 2.75 GPA and a passing score on the CSET. See college catalog for details on admission to the program.**