

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HUMANITIES

## Purpose

The Our Lady of the Lake College Bachelor of Arts in Humanities Program promotes habits of critical inquiry and provides a broad knowledge base from which graduates enter directly into a variety of careers/professions or gain acceptance into graduate programs/professional schools. The design of the curriculum is based upon the belief that well developed literacy and critical thinking skills, combined with a broad based understanding of individual and collective human experiences, prepare students to value life-long intellectual inquiry and to perform successfully in highly responsible positions within the community and work place.

## Objectives

Upon graduation from the Bachelor of Arts in Humanities Program, students will:

1. Demonstrate readiness for entrance into graduate programs or professional schools requiring undergraduate degrees in humanities
2. Demonstrate readiness for employment in positions requiring an undergraduate degree in humanities
3. Apply theory, knowledge, and techniques of intellectual inquiry developed in the program to search for informed, well reasoned, and responsible solutions to important human problems and contemporary/historical issues
4. Value creative human endeavors such as literature and the visual and performing arts and understand their contribution to the individual and collective experience
5. Incorporate the Franciscan values of compassion, understanding, respect, and dignity into their academic and professional careers and their social behaviors.

## Admission Requirements

1. Students must apply for admission to the Bachelor of Arts in Humanities prior to completing the final 60 credit hours required for the degree. However, early application, especially during the freshman year, is strongly recommended.
2. Applicants to the program MUST MEET with a program advisor to develop a degree plan. All degree plans must be approved by the Chair of the Liberal Arts Department.
3. Requirements for acceptance into the program are the same as for acceptance to Our Lady of the Lake College.
4. Following admission to any Arts and Science bachelor's program, students MUST MEET with the program advisor every semester prior to pre-registering for the next semester.
5. For this degree, all students must complete 36 credit hours on the campus of Our Lady of the Lake College.

### Curriculum Requirements

Students seeking the Bachelor or Arts in Humanities degree should complete the 49 credit hours of core curriculum course work and earn a “C” or better in ENGL 211 (Academic Discourse) before enrolling in 300 level courses. Exceptions must be approved by the Chair of the Liberal Arts Department. Six (6) credit hours of electives must be selected from course offerings in speech, sociology, theology, art, music, religion, ethics, philosophy, literature and anthropology. The residency requirement for the baccalaureate degree program is 36 credit hours.

Students must complete a minimum of 18 of the required 36 credit hours of major course work above the 300 level. (Humanities electives are courses from the disciplines of English, languages, theology, philosophy, religion, ethics, anthropology, arts and music.) A concentration of 18 - 27 credit hours must be in one discipline. Adjunct electives are those courses closely allied to the area of concentration. A minimum of 12 credit hours of adjunct course work must be above the 300 level. Students must consult with advisors when selecting these courses.

**Curriculum Plan for the Bachelor of Arts  
Degree in Humanities**

Course	Number	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Semester I</b>		<b>Freshman Year</b>	
ACSM	100	Academic Seminar	1
ACSM	101	Introduction to Baccalaureate Education	3
ENGL	101	English I	3
MATH	112	College Algebra	3
HIST	101	World History I	3
LANG	Level I	Foreign Language	<u>3</u>
			16
<b>Semester II</b>		<b>Freshman Year</b>	
ENGL	102	English II	3
HIST	102	World History II	3
LANG	Level II	Foreign Language	3
PSYC	100	Introduction to Psychology	3
CSCI	100	Introduction to Computers	<u>3</u>
			15
Total Credit Hours – First Year			31
<b>Semester I</b>		<b>Sophomore Year</b>	
ENGL	200	Introduction to Literature	3
LANG		Foreign Language Elective, or LING 275 or LING 276	3
BIOL	Level 200	Biology	3
ELECTIVES			<u>6</u>
			15
<b>Semester II</b>		<b>Sophomore Year</b>	
ENGL	211	Academic Discourse	3
LANG		Foreign Language Elective, or LING 275 or LING 276	3
PHIL	200	Philosophy and Critical Thinking	3
ELECTIVES			<u>6</u>
			15
Total Credit Hours – Second Year			30
<b>Semester I</b>		<b>Junior Year</b>	
		Major Electives	6
		Math Elective	3
		Adjunct Electives	<u>6</u>
			15
<b>Semester II</b>		<b>Junior Year</b>	
		Major Electives	9
		Adjunct Electives	3
		Elective	<u>6</u>
			18
Total Credit Hours – Third Year			33
<b>Semester I</b>		<b>Senior Year</b>	
		Major Electives	9
		Adjunct Electives	<u>6</u>
			15

Semester II	Senior Year
	Major Electives 9
	Open Elective 3
	Adjunct Electives <u>6</u>
	18
	Total Credit Hours – Fourth Year 33

Total Credit Hours for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Humanities 127

*Requirements for Graduation*

1. Completion of one hundred twenty-seven (127) semester hours in the required courses.
2. An overall grade point average of 2.00 (out of 4.00), including all transfer courses.
3. Fulfillment of the residency requirement of the College for the baccalaureate degree, which is 36 Credit Hours.
4. Clearance of all indebtedness to the College including the return of all materials borrowed from the Center for Information and Learning.