

Liberal Arts

Description: In the liberal arts, students use critical thinking and draw from a number of disciplines to analyze complex social and cultural issues and become life-long learners prepared to meet personal, societal, and global challenges. The Liberal Arts degree program provides a clear educational path for many students at Community College of Philadelphia that also offers the opportunity to clarify their interests and career goals. It is designed for students planning to transfer to baccalaureate programs after study at the College.

Students in the Liberal Arts curriculum are required to enroll in FYE 101: First Year Experience within the first 12 credits and must complete required courses ENGL 101, ENGL 102, college-level math, CIS 103, the first in the Social Science pair, the first in the Humanities pair, and the Communication course within the first 24 credits so that they are free to choose the courses that best fit their long-term educational goals for the remainder of the program.

Alternate pathways exist so that students may take the following certificates while completing the Liberal Arts degree: Religious Studies Proficiency Certificate, Acting Proficiency Certificate, Technical Theater Proficiency Certificate, and Creative Writing Academic Certificate.

Students are expected to consult with an academic advisor or counselor upon entry to the program and in subsequent semesters. Transfer planning should begin early so that the student can make the most informed choices. The Liberal Arts curriculum contains a number of electives and allows students and advisors to shape the selection of courses to meet individual goals. Students who follow the Liberal Arts curriculum and plan to attend a specific four-year college after graduation should choose electives that duplicate as closely as possible those in the first two years of the program of that college.

Note: Many, but not all, transfer institutions require some knowledge of a world language (from one semester to two years of study at the college level or the equivalent). Students planning to transfer should be aware of world language requirements that may affect their acceptance into certain colleges and programs.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this program graduates will be able to:

- Think critically about ideas and concepts in the arts, humanities, social and natural sciences, and mathematics to analyze complex personal, social, and global issues.
- Communicate in oral, creative, and written modes in ways that reflect the situation, audience, and conventions of the medium.
- Analyze content across disciplines to discern and respect diverse experiences and perspectives, such as race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and ability, from both local and global points of view.
- Question, investigate and solve problems using scientific and quantitative reasoning.

Program Entry Requirements: Students are typically required to take the College's placement tests at their time of entry. Students identified as needing developmental course work must satisfactorily complete the appropriate English and mathematics courses as a part of their degree program.

Program of Study and Graduation Requirements: Students in the Liberal Arts curriculum are required to enroll in FYE 101: First Year Experience within the first 12 credits and must complete required courses ENGL 101, ENGL 102, college-level math, CIS 103, the first in the Social Science pair, the first in the Humanities pair, and the Communication course within the first 24 credits. To qualify for the Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree in Liberal Arts, a student must complete a minimum of 61 credit hours as prescribed and attain a grade point average of 2.0 ("C" average).

Course Sequence:

Semester 1

Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits	Gen Ed Req.
<u>FYE 101 - First Year Experience</u>		3 credits	
<u>ENGL 101 - English Composition I</u>		3 credits	Writing, Research, and Info Lit 1
CIS 103 - Computer Applications & Concepts *		3 credits	Tech Comp
<u>MATH 150 - Introductory Data Analysis</u> or <u>MATH 161 - Precalculus I</u> or higher **	For MATH 150: FNMT 017 or FNMT 019 completed or FNMT 118 (or higher) placement or For MATH 161: FNMT 118 with a grade of "C" or better, or placement in <u>MATH 161</u> or higher	3 credits	Quantitative Reasoning
First in Social Science Pair: <u>HIST 101 - United States History: Colonial America through the Revolutionary Period</u> or <u>PSYC 101 - Introduction to Psychology</u> or <u>SOC 101- Introduction to Sociology</u> or <u>ANTH 101- Introduction to Anthropology</u> ***		3 credits	Cultural Analysis & Interpretation

Semester 2

Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits	Gen Ed Req.
<u>ENGL 102 - The Research Paper</u>	<u>ENGL 101</u> with a grade of "C" or better	3 credits	Writing, Research, and Info Lit 2
<p>First in Humanities Pair: <u>BLAS 101 - Introduction to Black Studies</u> or <u>HIST 121 - World History: The Distant Past</u> or <u>HIST 122 - World History: The Recent Past</u> or <u>HUM 101 - Cultural Traditions: Ancient to the 13th Century</u> or <u>HUM 102 - Cultural Traditions: 14th Century to the Present</u> or World Language 101: Arabic, Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish or ENGL 190 - Introduction to Literature or any <u>200-level</u> English course (with the exception of ENGL 214)***</p>	For ENGL 190, ENGL 137, and ENGL 205 through ENGL 272: <u>ENGL 101</u> with a grade of "C" or better	3 credits	
<p>Communication Course: <u>ENGL 115 - Public Speaking</u> or <u>ENGL 116 - Interpersonal Communication</u> or <u>ENGL 117- Group/Team Communication</u> or <u>ENGL 118 - Intercultural Communication</u></p>	<u>ENGL 101</u> , which may be taken concurrently	3 credits	Oral Communication/ Creative Expression
<p>Lab Science: <u>BIOL 106 - General Biology I</u> or <u>CHEM 105 - Inquiry into Chemistry</u></p>		4 credits	Scientific Reasoning
General Elective**		3 or 4 credits	

Semester 3

Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits	Gen Ed Req.
<p>Second in Social Science Pair: <u>ANTH 112 - Cultural Anthropology</u> or <u>HIST 102 - United States History: The Civil War and the 19th Century</u> or <u>HIST 103 - United States History: The 20th Century and Beyond</u> or <u>PSYC 205 - Psychopathology/Abnormal Psychology</u> or <u>PSYC 215 - Developmental Psychology</u> or <u>SOC/POLS 230 - Political Activism and Social Movements</u> or <u>SOC 231- Social Problems</u> or <u>SOC 233 - Race, Ethnicity and Social Inequalities</u> ***</p>	<p>PSYC 205: <u>PSYC 101</u> PSYC 215: <u>PSYC 101</u> or <u>BIOL 109</u>. <u>SOC/POLS 230: SOC 101 or POLS 101; ENGL 101</u> SOC 231 and SOC 233: <u>SOC 101</u> or <u>ANTH 112</u>.</p>	<p>3 credits</p>	
<p>General Elective **</p>		<p>3 or 4 credits</p>	
<p>Second in Humanities Pair: BLAS 102 - Global Black Theory and Social Change or <u>HIST 121 - World History: The Distant Past</u> or <u>HIST 122 - World History: The Recent Past</u> or <u>HUM 101 - Cultural Traditions: Ancient to the 13th Century</u> or <u>HUM 102 - Cultural Traditions: 14th Century to the Present</u> or World Language 102: Arabic, Chinese, French,</p>	<p>For BLAS 102: <u>BLAS 101</u> For ENGL 190, ENGL 137, and ENGL 205 through ENGL 272: <u>ENGL 101</u> with a grade of "C" or better</p>	<p>3 credits</p>	

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Italian, Japanese, or Spanish or ENGL 190 - Introduction to Literature or any <u>200-level</u> English course (with the exception of ENGL 214) ***			
American Diversity Elective: <u>ENGL 250 - Survey of African American Literature: From Colonization to the Harlem Renaissance</u> or <u>ENGL 251 - Survey of African American Literature: From the Harlem Renaissance to the Present</u> or <u>HIST 146 - Latino-American History</u> or <u>HIST 220 - African-American History to 1877</u> or <u>HIST 221 - African-American History after 1865</u> or <u>MUS 120 - Music of African-Americans</u> <u>RS 170 - Religion in American History</u> ****	For ENGL 221, 222, 250 and 251: <u>ENGL 101</u> with a grade of "C" or better	3 credits	
The Arts: <u>ART 103 - History of Art: Ancient to Renaissance</u> or <u>ART 104 - History of Art II: Renaissance to Modern</u> or <u>ART 105 - Drawing I</u> or <u>ART 109 - Ceramics</u> or <u>ENGL 131 - Acting I</u> or <u>ENGL 137 - Introduction to Theater</u> <u>ENGL 205 - Creative Writing</u> or		3 or 4 credits	

Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits	Gen Ed Req.
<u>MUS 103 - Introduction to Music</u> or <u>PHOT 101 - Introduction to 35mm Film Camera and Darkroom Techniques</u> or <u>PHOT 105 - Introduction to Digital Photography</u> ****			

Semester 4

Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits	Gen Ed Req.
Social Analysis Elective: <u>GEOG 180 - Urban Geography</u> or <u>JUS 101- Survey of Criminal Justice</u> or <u>PHIL 101 - Introduction to Philosophy</u> or <u>POLS 111 - American Government</u> or <u>POLS 117 - City and State Government and Politics, with Cases from Philadelphia and Pennsylvania</u> <u>PSYC 221 - Social Psychology</u> or <u>SOC 215 - Criminology</u>	<u>PSYC 221: PSYC 101</u> <u>SOC 212, SOC 215: SOC 101</u> or <u>ANTH 112</u>	3 credits	
Gender Diversity Elective: <u>ENGL 260 -Women in Literature</u> or <u>GS 101- Introduction to Gender Studies</u> or <u>GS 110 - Global Perspectives in Gender Studies</u> or <u>PHIL 202 - Philosophy of Love</u> or <u>PSYC 202 - Human Sexuality</u> or <u>SOC 115 - Gender and Society</u>	For <u>ANTH 202: ENGL 101</u> and <u>ANTH 101, ANTH 112</u> or <u>SOC 101</u> . For <u>PSYC 202: PSYC 101</u> For <u>SOC 115 and ENGL 260: ENGL 101</u> with a grade of "C" or better	3 credits	
Global Diversity Elective: <u>ANTH 211 - African Peoples and Cultures</u> or <u>ANTH 215 - Peoples and Cultures of Asia</u> or <u>GLS 101 - Introduction to Global Studies</u> or	<u>ANTH 211 or ANTH 215:</u> <u>Any social or behavioral Science course</u>	3 credits	

Course Number and Name	Prerequisites and Corequisites	Credits	Gen Ed Req.
GEOG 103 - Introduction to Human Geography or GS 110 - Global Perspectives in Gender Studies or <u>HUM 130 - Introduction to Japanese Culture and Civilization</u> or <u>HUM 150 - Introduction to Latin American Cultures and Civilizations</u> or <u>HUM 170 - Middle East Cultures and Civilizations</u> or <u>HUM 180 - Introduction to African Cultures and Civilization</u> or <u>HUM 190 - Modern African and Asia</u> or <u>RS 151 - World Religions</u> ****	For HUM 130, 150, 170, 180, 190: ENGL 101, which may be taken concurrently		
General Elective**		3 or 4 credits	
Non-Lab Science: <u>CHEM 103 - Fundamentals of Chemistry I (Non-Lab Based)</u> or <u>EASC 111- Environmental Conservation</u> or <u>PHYS 108 - Descriptive Astronomy</u>		3 credits	

Minimum Credits Needed to Graduate: 61

* Students with computer skills may apply for credit by exam through the Computer Technologies Department.

** Many institutions require a second Mathematics course above the FNMT 118 level. Students may consult with an advisor if they want a different mathematics course to meet transfer requirements. Students in the Religious Studies, Acting, or Technical Theater proficiency certificates or the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should consult those requirements before selecting a quantitative reasoning course or general electives.

*** Pair 1 and Pair 2 subjects must match. Students in the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should take two literature courses as their Humanities pair.

**** Students in the Religious Studies Proficiency Certificate should not take ENGL 117. Students in the Religious Studies Proficiency Certificate should take RS 170 and RS 151. Students in the Acting Proficiency Certificate and Technical Theater Proficiency Certificate should take ENGL 131. Students in the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should take ENGL 205. Other courses are available with Coordinator approval.

General Education Requirements: All general education requirements necessary for graduation are met through the courses in the program as indicated above. Students who wish to

take courses that differ from the general education courses indicated above must complete a course substitution request form. To access the form, login to the [MyCCP portal](#), and in the **Student** tab, under **Electronic Forms**, click on the **Records and Registration Forms** link, then choose **Request For Course Substitution Of Graduation Requirement** link. A [more detailed explanation](#) of the College's general education requirements is also available.

For More Information, Contact: The Division of Liberal Studies, Room BR-21, 1700 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, PA 19130, Telephone (215) 751-8450; or the College Information Center (215) 751-8010.

Courses and Completion Sequence

The following courses and sequence of courses is designed for the optimal success and completion of the Liberal Arts degree/certificate. Any alterations should be discussed with your academic advisor.

Semester 1

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
<u>FYE 101 - First Year Experience</u>	3 credits	In the first 12 credits, students must complete FYE 101	Major Course
<u>ENGL 101 - English Composition I</u>	3 credits	ENGL 101 must be completed with a grade "C" or higher	Writing, Research, and Info Lit 1
<u>CIS 103 - Computer Applications & Concepts</u>	3 credits	Students with computer skills may apply for credit by exam through the Computer Technologies Department.	Technological Competency
<u>MATH 150 - Introductory Data Analysis</u> or <u>MATH 161 - Pre-Calculus I</u> or higher	3 credits	Students may consult with an advisor if they want a different mathematics course to meet transfer requirements. Students with a Math placement score above 118 should not take FNMT 150. Students pursuing STEM careers should take MATH 161 or higher.	Quantitative Reasoning
First in Social Science Pair: <u>HIST 101 - United States History: Colonial - Revolutionary</u> or <u>PSYC 101 - Introduction to Psychology</u> or <u>SOC 101 - Introduction</u>	3 credits	Social Science Pair 1 and Pair 2 subjects must match. Other Social Science Pair options are available with coordinator approval	Cultural Analysis & Interpretation Major Course Social Science Pair 1

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
<u>to Sociology or ANTH 101 - Introduction to Anthropology</u>			

In the first 24 credits, students must complete: ENGL 101, ENGL 102, CIS 103, one Mathematics, one Social Science, one Humanities, one Communication course.

Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher ("C" average)

Semester 2

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
<u>ENGL 102 - The Research Paper</u>	3 credits		Writing, Research, and Info Lit 2
First in Humanities Pair: BLAS 101 - Introduction to Black Studies or <u>HIST 121 - World History: The Distant Past</u> or <u>HIST 122 - World History: The Recent Past</u> or <u>HUM 101 - Cultural Traditions: Ancient to the 13th Century</u> or <u>HUM 102 - Cultural Traditions: 14th Century to the Present</u> or World Language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish) ENGL 190 - Introduction Literature or any <u>200-level</u> English course (with the exception of ENGL 214)	3 credits	Humanities Pair 1 and Pair 2 subjects must match Other Humanities Pair options are available with Coordinator approval <u>Students in the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should take two literature courses as their Humanities pair.</u>	Major Course Humanities Pair 1
Communication Course: <u>ENGL 115 - Public Speaking</u> or <u>ENGL 116 - Interpersonal</u>	3 credits		Oral Communication/ Creative Expression Major Course

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<u>Communication</u> or <u>ENGL 117 - Group/Team</u> <u>Communication</u> or <u>ENGL 118 - Intercultural</u> <u>Communication</u>			Students in the Religious Studies Proficiency Certificate should not take ENGL 117.
Lab Science: <u>BIOL 106 - General Biology I</u> or <u>CHEM 105 - Inquiry into Chemistry</u>	4 credits		Scientific Reasoning Lab Science
General Elective	3 or 4 credits	Transfer institutions' requirements vary. Please consult an advisor or program coordinator to select a general elective that transfers. Many institutions require a second Mathematics course above the FNMT 118 level. Students in the Religious Studies, Acting, or Technical Theater proficiency certificates or the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should consult those requirements before selecting general electives.	General Elective

In the first 24 credits, students must complete: ENGL 101, ENGL 102, CIS 103, one Mathematics, one Social Science, one Humanities, one Communication course.

To seek entrance into select College programs, Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher ("C" average)

Semester 3

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
<p>Second in Social Science Pair: ANTH 112 - Cultural Anthropology or HIST 102 - United States History: The Civil War and the 19th Century or HIST 103 - United States History: The 20th Century and Beyond or PSYC 205 - Psychopathology/Abnormal Psychology or PSYC 215 - Developmental Psychology or SOC/POLS 230 - Political Activism and Social Movements or SOC 231- Social Problems or SOC 233 - Race, Ethnicity and Social Inequalities</p>	<p>3 credits</p>	<p>Social Science Pair 1 and Pair 2 subjects must match.</p> <p>Other course options are available with Coordinator approval.</p>	<p>Major Course Social Science Pair 2</p>
<p>General Elective</p>	<p>3 or 4 credits</p>	<p>Transfer institutions' requirements vary. Please consult an advisor or program coordinator to select a general elective that transfers. Many institutions require a second Mathematics course above the FNMT 118 level.</p> <p>Students in the Religious Studies, Acting, or Technical Theater proficiency certificates or the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should consult those requirements before</p>	<p>General Elective</p>

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
		selecting general electives.	
<p>Second in Humanities Pair: BLAS 102 - Global Black Theory and Social Change or <u>HIST 121 - World History: The Distant Past</u> or <u>HIST 122 - World History: The Recent Past</u> or <u>HUM 101 - Cultural Traditions: Ancient to the 13th Century</u> or <u>HUM 102 - Cultural Traditions: 14th Century to the Present</u> or World Language 102: Arabic, Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish or ENGL 190 - Introduction to Literature or any 200-level English course (with the exception of ENGL 214)</p>	3 credits	<p>Humanities Pair 1 and Pair 2 subjects must match</p> <p>Other course options are available with Coordinator approval.</p> <p>Students in the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should take two literature courses as their Humanities pair.</p>	Major Course Humanities Pair 2
<p>American Diversity Elective: <u>ENGL 250 - Survey of African American Literature: From Colonization to the Harlem Renaissance</u> or <u>ENGL 251- Survey of African American Literature: From the Harlem Renaissance to the Present</u> or <u>HIST 146 - Latino-American History or</u> <u>HIST 220 - African-American History to 1877</u> or <u>HIST 221 - African-American History after 1865</u> or</p>	3 credits	<p>Other Elective options are available with Coordinator approval.</p> <p>Students in the Religious Studies Proficiency Certificate should take RS 170.</p>	

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
<u>MUS 120 - Music of African- Americans</u>			
The Arts: <u>ART 103 - History of Art: Ancient to Renaissance</u> or <u>ART 104 - History of Art II: Renaissance to Modern</u> or <u>ART 105 - Drawing I</u> or <u>ENGL 131 - Acting I</u> or <u>ENGL 205 - Creative Writing</u> or <u>MUS 103 - Introduction to Music</u>	3 credits	<p>Students in the Acting Proficiency Certificate and Technical Theater Proficiency Certificate should take ENGL 131.</p> <p>Students in the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should take ENGL 205.</p>	Major Course Arts

Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher ("C" average) Meet with assigned Advisor to finalize last 15 credits based on transfer institution

Semester 4

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
Social Analysis Elective: <u>GEOG 180 - Urban Geography</u> or <u>GLS 101 - Introduction to Global Studies</u> or <u>JUS 101- Survey of Criminal Justice</u> or <u>POLS 111 - American Government</u> or <u>POLS 117 - City and State Government and Politics, with Cases from Philadelphia and Pennsylvania</u> <u>PSYC 221 - Social Psychology</u> or <u>SOC 215 - Criminology</u>	3 credits	Other Elective options are available with Coordinator approval.	Social Analysis Elective
Gender Diversity Elective: <u>ENGL 260 - Women in Literature</u> or <u>GS 101- Intro to Gender Studies</u> or	3 credits		Gender Diversity elective

Course Number and Name	Credits	Advisory Notes	Course Type
GS 110 - Global Gender Studies or PHIL 202 - <u>Philosophy of Love</u> or PSYC 202 - <u>Human Sexuality</u> or or SOC 115- <u>Gender and Society</u>			
Global Diversity Elective: ANTH 211 - African Peoples and Cultures or ANTH 215 - Peoples and Cultures of Asia or GEOG 103 - Introduction to Human Geography <u>GLS 101 - Introduction to Global Studies</u> or GS 110 - Global Perspectives in Gender Studies or <u>HUM 130 - Introduction to Japanese Culture and Civilization</u> or <u>HUM 150 - Introduction to Latin American Cultures and Civilizations</u> or <u>HUM 170 - Middle East Cultures and Civilizations</u> or <u>HUM 180 - Introduction to African Cultures and Civilization</u> or <u>HUM 190 - Modern African and Asia</u> or <u>RS 151 - World Religions</u>	3 credits	Other Elective options are available with Coordinator approval <u>Students in the Religious Studies PC should take RS 151.</u>	Global Diversity Elective
General Elective	3 or 4 credits	Transfer institutions' requirements vary. Please consult an advisor or program coordinator to select a general elective that transfers. Many	General Elective

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		<p>institutions require a second Mathematics course above the FNMT 118 level.</p> <p>Students in the Religious Studies, Acting, or Technical Theater proficiency certificates or the Creative Writing Academic Certificate should consult those requirements before selecting general electives.</p>	
<p>Non-Lab Science: <u>CHEM 103 - General Chemistry I</u> or <u>EASC 111- Environmental Conservation</u> or <u>PHYS 108 - Descriptive Astronomy</u></p>	3 credits	CHEM 103 is a non-lab and online version of CHEM 101	Major Course Non-Lab Science

Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher ("C" average)