

# LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Associate in Arts Degree | Transfer Degree | Department of Communication Arts and Sciences

## Performing Arts Option

The Liberal Arts and Sciences curriculum offers a well-rounded education that prepares students for a wide range of career options. Students take courses in a diverse set of disciplines that provides a foundation for later specialization. The Performing Arts option allows students interested in theatre, dance, or music to transfer to a senior college. Students who graduate with an AA Liberal Arts and Sciences: Performing Arts option can pursue a career in the arts, including actor, musician, dancer, producer, director, teacher, arts administrator, arts journalist, promoter, grant writer, and others.

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## LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES CURRICULUM (PATHWAYS)

60 Credits required for AA Degree

### Required Core

- A. English Composition<sup>1</sup> (6 Credits)
- B. Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning<sup>2</sup> (3 Credits)
- C. Life and Physical Sciences (3-4 Credits)

**SUBTOTAL 12-13**

### Flexible Core

- A. World Cultures and Global Issues (6 Credits)
- B. U.S. Experience in its Diversity (3 Credits)
- C. Creative Expression (3 Credits)
- D. Individual and Society (3 Credits)
- E. Scientific World (3-4 Credits)

**SUBTOTAL 18-19**

### Major Requirements

- ART 11 Introduction to Art *OR*  
ART 12 Introduction to Art History: Africa, the Americas, Asia and the Middle East *OR*  
MUS 11 Introduction to Music *OR*  
MUS 12 Introduction to World Music (0-3 Credits)
- COMM 11 Introduction to Communication *OR*  
COMM 20 Public Speaking and Critical Listening (0-3 Credits)
- HIS 10 History of the Modern World *OR*  
HIS 11 Introduction to the Modern World (0-3 Credits)
- MODERN LANGUAGES Select one course from FRN, ITL, POR, *OR* SPN (0-3 Credits)
- SOCIAL SCIENCE Select one course from ANT, ECO, POL, PSY, *OR* SOC (0-3 Credits)

### Additional Major Requirements

- PEA Physical Education *OR*  
HLT 91 Critical Issues in Health (1-2 Credits)
- LAB<sup>3</sup> Lab Science (0-1 Credit)
- Free Electives<sup>4,5</sup> to complete 60 credits (0-16 Credits)

### Performing Arts Option Requirements

- THEA 70 Introduction to Theatre (0-3 Credits)
- THEA 75 Introduction to Acting (0-3 Credits)
- ENG 140 Folklore (3 Credits) *OR*  
ENG 161 Shakespeare (0-3 Credits)
- PERFORMING ARTS  
Choose 3 Credits From:  
COMM 26 Oral Interpretation of Literature (0-3 Credits)  
FILM 61 Introduction to Film (0-3 Credits)  
FILM 91 World Cinema (0-3 Credits)  
MUS 14 Creative Computer Music (3 Credits)  
MUS 21 Choral Performance 1 (1 Credit)  
MUS 22 Choral Performance 2 (1 Credit)  
MUS 23 Choral Performance 3 (1 Credit)  
MUS 24 Choral Performance 4 (1 Credit)  
MEST 60 Introduction to Mass Communication (0-3 Credits)  
PEA 41 Techniques of Jazz Dance (1 Credit) *OR*  
PEA 46 African, Caribbean and Black Dance Forms (1 Credit) *OR*  
PEA 47 Beginning Salsa (1 Credit)

**SUBTOTAL 29-30**

- <sup>1</sup> ENG 110/111 plus one course from ENG 112, 114, 115, and 116. ENG 115 is recommended for this option.
- <sup>2</sup> MTH 21 or 23 is recommended in Required Core B.
- <sup>3</sup> Select appropriate lab course, if needed, to match lecture course.
- <sup>4</sup> Students should see the language requirements at the senior college to which they are planning to transfer and consult with an advisor about using free elective credits to complete a two-semester modern language sequence, if needed.
- <sup>5</sup> Select additional free electives in consultation with Performing Arts adviser.

**NOTE: The Performing Arts option articulates with SUNY Empire State College. See the Transfer Planning web site for more details.**