

## LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Associate in Arts Degree | Transfer Degree | Department of Education and Academic Literacy

### Secondary Education Option

The Liberal Arts and Sciences curriculum prepares a student to be an accomplished and productive human being. A liberal arts degree opens doors to the professions and to rewarding and responsible careers. Future physicians, teachers, scientists, lawyers, and business people, for example, develop themselves as well-rounded, individuals, in addition to completing their pre-professional work. The academic experiences in liberal arts and sciences provide the foundation for later specialization, graduate study, and professional school. The Secondary Education Option offers a greater degree of specialization. This degree program is for students who seek automatic transfer to a senior college in CUNY, upon graduation, to pursue a baccalaureate degree and teacher certification.

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### LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES CURRICULUM (PATHWAYS)

60 Credits required for AA Degree

#### Required Common Core

- A. English Composition (6 Credits)
- B. Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning (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 Credits)

**SUBTOTAL 18**

### Major Requirements

**Note: Students will complete a minimum of six credits of these requirements within the Flexible Core. Transfer students who have completed Common Core requirements at a previous institution will not be required to complete credits in excess of the 60 credit requirement.**

- **ART 11** Introduction to Art History *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 Music: A Multi-Cultural Survey of World Music (0-3 Credits)
- **COMM 11** Fundamentals of Interpersonal 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** Choose from **FRN**, **ITL**, **POR**, *OR* **SPN** (0-3 Credits)
- **PSY 11** Introduction to Psychology (0-3 Credits)

#### Additional Major Requirements

- **PEA** Select any Physical Education course *OR* **HLT 91** Critical Issues in Health (1-2 Credits)
- **LAB<sup>1</sup>** Lab Science (0-1 Credits)
- **Free electives** (4-13 Credits)

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- **EDU 70** Educational Foundations of Middle and High School (3 Credits)
- **EDU 71** Multicultural Perspectives of Middle and High School (3 Credits)
- **Restricted Elective\*** (6-8 Credits)

**SUBTOTAL 29-30**

<sup>1</sup> This requirement is satisfied if a student takes 4-credit STEM variant course in Required Area C.

\*Consult with the department to discuss which courses apply towards teacher preparation to obtain certification to teach in the disciplines relevant to middle and high schools.