

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL AND FINE ARTS

The School of Liberal and Fine Arts comprises seven departments which offer programs of study leading to baccalaureate and associate degrees as listed below:

Bachelor of Arts

- Art
- Art Education
- English
- English Education
- Foreign Language
- Foreign Language Education
- General Studies
- History and Political Science
- History Education
- International Studies
- Journalism
- Music
- Psychology
- Rehabilitation Science
- Sociology
- Speech
- Speech Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts

- Creative Writing
- Creative Writing Education

Bachelor of Music Education

Associate of Arts

- Criminal Justice
- General Studies

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In addition to the degree programs offered, the School of Liberal and Fine Arts also offers minors in anthropology, art, criminal justice, foreign language, history, journalism, philosophy, political science, psychology, rehabilitation science, sociology, speech, and theatre. The school also supervises pre-professional curricula in law and is extensively involved in the general education program.

Through these degree and pre-professional curricula, the departments in the School of Liberal and Fine Arts prepare graduates for a variety of challenging and rewarding careers, either directly or via continued graduate or professional studies. These curricula are designed not only to develop theoretical and technical expertise in the fine arts, humanities, and social sciences, but also to nurture the ability to think clearly and express ideas persuasively. Through its general education commitment and elective offerings, the school's faculty contributes to the broadening of the knowledge and experience of all graduates of Arkansas Tech University by promoting basic competence in communication skills, by fostering an appreciation and understanding of our cultural heritage and current world affairs, and by developing problem-solving techniques.

Transfer Students

Applicability of transfer credit to meet specific degree requirements depends on the major selected by the transfer student. The transfer student should review the Transfer Credit policy in the Admission section of this catalog and meet with their academic advisor to determine final transfer credit eligibility for the selected program of study.

Associate of Arts General Studies

The associate of arts degree program in general studies is designed primarily for continuing education students who enroll on a part-time basis in the University's evening school. This degree offers students the background, knowledge, and academic preparation necessary to pursue career opportunities not requiring the traditional four-year degree while at the same time providing the foundation for continued study toward a bachelor's degree. To qualify for the associate of arts in general studies, the student must satisfy the associate degree requirements, see "Associate Degrees" on page 78 and complete the following curriculum:

Curriculum	Hours
General Education courses ¹	37
Electives	25
Total	62

¹See "General Education Requirements" on page 79.

Bachelor of Arts General Studies

The Bachelor of Arts in General Studies is designed primarily for students who wish a broad liberal arts degree, without a concentration in a discipline or preparation for a particular profession. The degree also suits students wishing to pursue a four-year baccalaureate in order to obtain an education which will furnish them with good writing, analytical and/or speaking skills. The degree will furnish background for employment in a variety of business, governmental, and managerial careers. General Studies requires completion of the General Education courses, a general core of classes, with the addition of two emphasis blocks. Once the student has selected emphasis areas an advisor in one of the emphasis areas will be assigned to the student.

The Bachelor degree in General Studies requires completion of 124 hours. In addition to completion of General Education hours, a student must complete two emphasis blocks, 12 hours in upper level Liberal Arts courses, 6 hours in computer/technology courses, and 25 hours of electives.

Curriculum in General Studies

Degree Completion Plan Beginning in Fall Semester

Freshman				Sophomore			
Fall		Spring		Fall		Spring	
ENGL 1013 ¹	3	ENGL 1023 ¹	3	Social Sciences ¹	3	Social Sciences ¹	3
Social Sciences ¹	3	Social Sciences ¹	3	Fine Art/Humanities ²	3	Fine Art/Humanities ²	3
BIOL 1014 ¹	4	PHSC 1013 ¹	3	Computer/ Technology	3	Computer/ Technology	3
MATH 1003 ¹	3	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	3	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	3	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	6
Physical Activity ¹	1	Physical Activity ¹	1	Elective ³	3		
		PHSC 1021 ¹	1				
		Elective ³	3				
Total Hours	14	Total Hours	17	Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15

Junior				Senior			
Fall		Spring		Fall		Spring	
General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	9	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	6	Any additional needed General Studies Emphasis Block courses, or Elective	6	Any additional needed General Studies Emphasis Block courses, or Elective	6
Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3	Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3	Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3	Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3
Elective ³	3	Elective ³	6	Elective ³	8	Elective ³	7
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15	Total Hours	17	Total Hours	16

Degree Completion Plan Beginning in Spring Semester

Freshman				Sophomore			
Spring		Fall		Spring		Fall	
ENGL 1013 ¹	3	ENGL 1023 ¹	3	Social Sciences ¹	3	Social Sciences ¹	3
Social Sciences ¹	3	Social Sciences ¹	3	Fine Art/Humanities ²	3	Fine Art/Humanities ²	3
BIOL 1014	4	PHSC 1013	3	Computer/ Technology	3	Computer/ Technology	3
MATH 1003 ¹	3	General Studies Emphasis Block Course	6	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	3	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	6
Physical Activity ¹	1	Physical Activity ¹	1	Elective ³	3		
		PHSC 1021 ¹	1				
Total Hours	14	Total Hours	17	Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15

Junior				Senior			
Spring		Fall		Spring		Fall	
General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	9	General Studies Emphasis Block Courses	6	Any additional needed General Studies Emphasis Block courses, or Elective	6	Any additional needed General Studies Emphasis Block courses, or Elective	6
Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3	Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3	Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3	Upper level Liberal Arts (3000-4000 level)	3
Elective ³	3	Elective ³	6	Elective ³	8	Elective ³	7
Total Hours	15	Total Hours	15	Total Hours	17	Total Hours	16

¹See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements" on page 79.

²See appropriate Fine Art/Humanities courses in "General Education Requirements" on page 79. 3 hours of Social Sciences or Fine Art/Humanities must be a starred course.

³At least 40 of the total hours required for graduation must be 3000-4000 level courses.

Emphasis blocks:

Anthropology: 12 hours

Take: ANTH 1213 and 2003 and 6 hours from the following: ANTH 3203, 3223, 3243, 4403, or 4993.

Foreign Language: 15-16 hours

Any catalogue sequence of 4 foreign languages numbered 1014, 1024, 2014, and 2024 in the same foreign language, for a total of 16 hours. If the student begins the foreign language block on a more advanced level, the student must take 15 hours of the same foreign languages, excluding FR/GER/SPAN 3023.

Fine Arts: 18 hours

Take: ART 1303, 1403, 2703, or 3603, ART 2503 or 3533, 3 hours electives in 3000-4000 level Art History, 3 hours electives in 3000-4000 level art studio courses.

Psychology (Applied Human Services):18 hours

Take: PSY 2003, 2053, and 12 hours from the following: PSY 2033, 3003, 3063, 3153, 3163, 4043, or PSY/SOC 3013.

Sociology: 15 hours

Take: SOC 1003, 3133, and 2083 and 6 hours from the following: SOC/PSY 3013, SOC 3023, 3063, 3093, 3113, 3173, 4003, 4053, or 4063.

Criminal Justice: 12 hours

Take: CJ/SOC 2003 and 9 hours from the following: CJ/SOC 2043, CJ/POLS 3023, CJ/RS 3063, CJ/SOC 3103, or CJ/SOC 3153.

Public Relations: 15 hours

Take: SPH 3033, 4153, JOUR 3173, 4173 and COMS 2003.

Information Technology: 19 hours

Take: COMS 1333, 1403, 1411, 2003, 2233, 2700, 2703, and 3 hours of electives in Computer Science.

Writing: 18 hours

18 hours from the following: ENGL 2043, 2053, 2063, 3513, 3013, *3083, *3093, *4093, JOUR 2143, JOUR 3153, or **BUAD 3023.

*Prerequisite: ENGL 2043

**Prerequisite: BUAD 2003 or COMS 1003

History/Philosophy: 18 hours

9 hours required in Philosophy and 9 hours required in 3000-4000 level European History or 3000-4000 level American History.

Social Studies: 18 hours

3 hours required in 3000-4000 level Geography, 3000-4000 level Philosophy, 3000-4000 level Political Science, 3000-4000 level History, and a 6 hour upper level concentration from the following areas: History, Geography, Philosophy, or Political Science.

Graphic Design: 18 hours

Take: Art 1303, 1403, 1503, 2213, 3203, and 3 hours elective in 3000-4000 level Art History.

Psychology (Industrial/Organizational): 19 hours

Take: PSY 2003, 2053, 2074 and 9 hours from the following: PSY 2023, 3093, 4033, 4043, or 4234.

***Rehabilitation Science: 16 hours**

Take: RS 2003, 3004, 3013, 3023, and 3073.

*Completion of block is not the equivalent to completion of a major in Rehabilitation Science.

English as a Second Language: 15 hours

Take: ENGL 4023, 4703, 4713, and 4723 and 3 hours from the following: ENGL 3013, 3023, or 4013.

Communication: 18 hours

Take: SPH 2003, 3003, 3073, 3123, 4003, and JOUR 2133.

Early Childhood Education: 15 hours

Take: ECED 2001, 2002, 3023, 3033, EDMD 3013, and MATH 2033.

Literature: 18 hours

18 hours required from the following: 3 hours required from each of the 3 concentration areas:

American Literature and Folklore: AMST 2003, ENGL 2013, 3303, 3313, 3323, 4213, or 4383.

British and World Literature: ENGL 2003, 3243, 3413, 3423, 3453, 3463, 4283, or 4483.

Genre and Theme: ENGL 2213, 2223, 2233, 2263, 2283, 3103, 3173, 3203, 3293, or 4683.
