



A Course of Study for

LIBERAL ARTS – SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Liberal Arts provides a broad education that can be used in many different career programs of study. Liberal arts studies include English, Communication, Arts and Humanities, Science, Social Science, and Physical Education.

Elementary school teachers often major in liberal arts. Some additional career options to consider exist in advertising, business, health administration, human resources management, politics, education, government, computers, writing, and editing. For additional information on Teacher Preparation, please see the Teacher Preparation guide, available online at smc.edu/articulation and in the Transfer/Counseling Center.

For additional career possibilities, visit the Career Services Center on the main campus to utilize computerized career information systems and other valuable career resources.

PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Transfer Preparation
- Career Opportunities

DEGREES

Associate Degrees

- Liberal Arts – Arts and Humanities
- Liberal Arts – Social and Behavioral Science

ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

An Associate degree is granted upon successful completion of a program of study with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (C) in degree applicable coursework and a minimum of **60 degree applicable semester units**, including:

- Completion of the area of emphasis with a grade of C or higher in each course, or with a P if the course was taken on a Pass/No Pass basis, and the P is equal to a C or higher;
- Completion of one of the following general education patterns: SMC GE, CSU GE, or IGETC;
- Completion of the SMC Global Citizenship graduation requirement.

CATALOG RIGHTS

A student may satisfy the requirements of a degree that were in effect at any time of the student's *continuous* enrollment. Continuous enrollment means attendance in at least one semester (Fall or Spring) in each academic year.

TRANSFER PREPARATION

Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete the lower-division major requirements and the general education pattern for the specific transfer institution. SMC has articulation agreements with the many UC and CSU campuses, as well as several private and out-of-state institutions.

Exact major requirements for UC and CSU campuses can be found online at assist.org.

A listing of private, nonprofit California colleges and universities can be found online at aiccu.edu. For articulation agreements between SMC and some of these institutions see smc.edu/articulation.

LIBERAL ARTS – SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE, ASSOCIATE DEGREE

The Liberal Arts – Social & Behavioral Science program focuses on the combined study of the social and behavioral sciences, as distinguished from the arts and humanities, with an emphasis on economics, history, political science, psychology, sociology, and anthropology. This major provides a broad education that can be used in a variety of careers, including teaching.

Program Learning Outcomes: Students completing a degree in Liberal Arts – Social & Behavioral Science will demonstrate through oral and written academic work knowledge of the social and behavioral sciences and be prepared to pursue further study in a related major at the baccalaureate level. Students will be proficient in the research, analytical, and communication skills necessary to present a critical analysis.

AREA OF EMPHASIS: (18 UNITS)**(Effective Fall 2023)**

Complete 18 units including at least 1 course from Area A and 1 course from Area B.
Remaining 12 units may be selected from either area.

AREA A: SOCIAL SCIENCE

Select at least 1 course from the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADJUS 1, 2 • COM ST 9, 20, 30 • ECON 1, 2, 5 (<i>same as GLOBAL 5 and POL SC 5</i>), 6, 8 (<i>same as WGS 8</i>), 15 (<i>same as HIST 15</i>) • ENGL 32 • ENVRN 4 (<i>same as ECON 4</i>), 7 (<i>same as GEOG 7</i>), 14 (<i>same as HIST 14</i>), 22 (<i>same as POL SC 22</i>), 32 (<i>same as HIST 32</i>) • ETH ST 1, 6, 7 • GEOG 2, 7 (<i>same as ENVRN 7</i>), 8 (<i>same as URBAN 8</i>), 11 (<i>same as GLOBAL 11</i>), 14 • GLOBAL 5 (<i>same as ECON 5 and POL SC 5</i>), 10, 11 (<i>same as GEOG 11</i>) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIST 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 (<i>same as ENVRN 14</i>), 15 (<i>same as ECON 15</i>), 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 32 (<i>same as ENVRN 32</i>), 33, 34, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 47, 52, 53, 55, 62 • PHILOS 48, 51 (<i>same as POL SC 51</i>), 52 (<i>same as POL SC 52</i>) • POL SC 1, 2, 3, 5 (<i>same as ECON 5 and GLOB 5</i>), 7, 8, 11, 14, 21, 22 (<i>same as ENVRN 22</i>), 23, 24, 31, 47, 51 (<i>same as PHILOS 51</i>), 52 (<i>same as PHILOS 52</i>) • SOCIOL 1, 1s, 2, 2s, 4, 12, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 • URBAN 8 (<i>same as GEOG 8</i>) • WGS 10, 20, 30 |
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AREA B: BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Select at least 1 course from the following: (3 units minimum)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANTHRO 2, 3, 4, 7, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22 • ASTRO 6 • BUS 1 • COM ST 31, 35, 36, 37 • ECE 11 • ENVRN 40 (<i>same as PSYCH 40</i>) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GLOBAL 3 (<i>same as MEDIA 3</i>) • MEDIA 1, 3 (<i>same as GLOBAL 3</i>), 4, 10 • NUTR 7 • PSYCH 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 11, 13, 14, 19, 25, 40 (<i>same as ENVRN 40</i>) |
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Please note: ^{GC} indicates courses that fulfill the SMC Global Citizenship requirement.