



LIBERAL STUDIES



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PROGRAM PURPOSE

Liberal Studies is an associate in arts degree designed for students whose educational goal is to transfer to a four-year school to earn a bachelor's degree or for students who are exploring their educational or career goals. This flexible degree program is designed to help students complete their general education core requirements before continuing their education in a four-year degree program or in preparation for transfer into one of NMCC's technical or occupational degree programs.

Liberal Studies graduates may take advantage of an agreement between the Maine Community College System and the University of Maine System to transfer to one of Maine's public four-year universities. Under the agreement, students can complete up to 35 credits of their general education requirements and transfer that block of credits, for full credit, to any of the other institutions within the two systems.

Graduates of the Liberal Studies program will gain a strong foundation in the traditional disciplines of the liberal arts (math, science, social science and humanities). Through this carefully designed program, students will gain the knowledge, skills, and values that are essential for work and a lifetime of learning.

The earning power of college graduates is significantly greater than of those who do not complete a two or four year program.

OPPORTUNITIES

The associate in arts degree option serves as a spring board for those who wish to go on and earn their bachelor's degree at a four-year institution. The "2 years here" plus "2 years there" formula allows NMCC graduates the opportunity to accrue far less debt than their peers.

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APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The following procedures constitute the admissions process:

1. An application form must be submitted accompanied by a nonrefundable \$20 application fee.
2. An official high school transcript must also be submitted (current seniors' transcripts should include completed ranking periods).
3. HiSET/GED test scores must be submitted by applicants who are not high school graduates.
4. Official college transcripts must be submitted by applicants who have attended other colleges or post-secondary schools.
5. Placement testing or appropriate SAT scores, individual interviews and campus tours are required, in most cases, prior to being admitted.
6. Admissions decisions are made as quickly as possible once a candidate's file is complete.
7. Accepted applicants are required to make a deposit within thirty days of acceptance. Students requesting on campus housing are required to submit an additional deposit to reserve space in the residential complex.

***An Affordable Start to
Your Four-Year Degree!***

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2017-2018 Curriculum

Associate in Arts Degree Program

All associate degree candidates must complete the following minimum general education core requirements.

<u>First Semester:</u>		<u>CR</u>
COL 103	College Success	1
ENG 111	English Composition	3
	Social Science Elective	3
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
Total Credits		16
<u>Second Semester:</u>		<u>CR</u>
ENG 226	Intro to Literature	3
MAT 125	College Algebra or Higher	3
	Diversity Elective	3
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
Total Credits		15
<u>Third Semester:</u>		<u>CR</u>
	Social Science Elective	3
	Humanities Elective	3
	Science Elective	4
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
Total Credits		16
<u>Fourth Semester:</u>		<u>CR</u>
	Writing Elective	3
	Ethical Reasoning Elective	3
	Creative Arts Elective	3
	Elective	3
	Elective	3
Total Credits		15
MINIMUM TOTAL REQUIRED		60

A minimum of 21 credits must be completed at the 200 level. University of Maine System General Education Core requirements in bold.

Core Requirements

Writing & Communications - 6 Cr. Hours

ENG 111	English Composition &
ENG 227	Advanced Composition
	or
COM 212	Business Communications I
	or
COM 221	Technical Communications

Quantitative Literacy - 3 Credit Hours

MAT 125	College Algebra
MAT 151	College Algebra & Trig
MAT 210	Statistics
MAT 227	Calculus

Natural Science w/Lab - 4 Credit Hours

BIO 114	Human Biology
BIO 201	Anatomy & Physiology I
BIO 211	Anatomy & Physiology II
BIO 218	Microbiology
PHY 150	Physics

Social Science - 6 Credit Hours

ECO 213	Macroeconomics
HIS 123	U.S. History, 1600-1865
HIS 125	U.S. History, 1865 to Present
HIS 203	Religion in America
HIS 206	American Sports History
HIS 207	Maine History
POL 101	American Government
PSY 101	General Psychology
PSY 207	Developmental Psychology
PSY 209	Abnormal Psychology
SOC 111	Sociology
SOC 215	Social Issues & Problems

Humanities - 6 Credit Hours

ENG 113	Working in America
ENG 224	American Literature I
ENG 226	Intro to Literature
ENG 228	Topics in Literature
ENG 231	Women in Literature
ENG 234	American Literature II
HIS 123	U.S. History, 1600-1865
HIS 125	U.S. History, 1865-Present
HIS 203	Religion in America
HIS 206	American Sports History
HIS 207	Maine History
PHI 151	Intro to Philosophy

Creative Arts - 3 Credit Hours

ART 101	Fund of Art
ART 110	Intro to Drawing
ART 122	Architectural History
ART 201	Intro to Film
ENG 239	Intro to Creative Writing

Diversity - 3 Credit Hours

ENG 231	Women in Literature
HIS 117	World Civilization to 1715
HIS 119	World Civilization 1715 to Present
HIS 206	American Sports History
PHI 206	World Religions
SPA 101	Spanish I

Ethical Reasoning - 3 Credit Hours

PHI 111	Everyday Ethics
PHI 201	Ethics

Freshman Experience - 1 Credit Hour

COL 103	College Success
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Students are advised to select courses that provide a depth of knowledge when fulfilling the various program requirements. Prerequisites must be considered in order to assure access to appropriate upper level courses. Students wishing to continue their education in a baccalaureate program should work with their academic advisor to select courses that ensure optimum transfer of credits.

NMCC is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and employer.
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