

Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies

The BA in Liberal Studies major is designed to prepare students for Multiple-Subject Teaching Credential Programs in California. It has three concentrations: Precredential-General (12 units); Precredential-Spanish Studies (12 units); and Credential-Integrated (30 units). Students who are not planning for a teaching career but are interested in a liberal arts education, please consult the BA in Liberal Arts degree.

Unless otherwise specified, grades in lower division courses (2999 and below) must be a "C-" or better; grades in upper division courses (3000 and above) must be a "C" or better.

All graduating Liberal Studies students must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C"). Students who plan to seek their Multiple Subject Teaching Credential at CSUSB must achieve a minimum GPA of 2.67. Other institutions offering Multiple Subject Teaching Credentials may have different GPA requirements, usually between 2.5 to 3.0.

BA in Liberal Studies (120-135 units) consists of GE (49 units), American Institutions Requirement (3 units), and the major, which is divided into the core (66) and concentrations (12-30).

13 units in the core will also count for GE and American Institutions requirements.

Students should pay special attention to the following classes that satisfy the requirements of both GE and the core of the major. Be sure to take them in their respective GE categories.

GE-B1 and GE-B3: GEOL 1090

GE-B2: BIOL 1000 or BIOL 1010

GE-D1 and American Institutions: HIST 1460, HIST 2000 & HIST 2010, or PSCI 2030

Advising for the Liberal Studies major is offered by the Liberal Studies Office <https://www.csusb.edu/liberal-studies> (<https://www.csusb.edu/liberal-studies/>).

The core of the program has four areas: Arts and Humanities, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Social Sciences and Child Development, and Program Requirements.

These areas are designed to provide students with coursework that is both foundational and focused. The first three areas – Arts and Humanities, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Social Sciences and Child Development – enable students to build a broad repertoire of knowledge in the arts, humanities, natural and social sciences, technology, and civics and government. These areas of knowledge ensure a well-rounded education for students; they also provide the content of what they will teach in California's K-8 schools. The program requirements include courses on learning assessment and metaknowledge of their studies and chosen careers.

Area 1: Arts and Humanities

Analysis of Literature: Choose one from the following courses 3

ENG 3010	Analysis of Poetry and Drama
ENG 3030	Analysis of Fiction and Nonfiction Prose

ENG 3230	Chicana/o Literature	
ENG 3260	Caribbean Literature	
PHIL 3008	Philosophy in World Literature	
TA 3602	Dramatic Analysis and Playwriting for Teachers	
Linguistics		3
ENG 3110	Introduction to Linguistics	
Children's/Young Adult literature: choose one from the following courses		3
ENG 3200	Literature for Children and Young Adults	
PHIL 3006	Philosophy in Children's Literature	
PHIL 3007	Philosophy in Young Adult Literature	
TA 4664	Theatre for Youth: History and Literature	
Visual or Media Art: choose one from the following courses		3
AAED 2431	Art in the Classroom	
ART 3000	Art and Activism	
AAED 3432	Critical and Pedagogical Theories in Contemporary Art and Design Education	
ART 4450	Arts in Action: Visual Art	
AAED 3431	Art and Human Development	
COMM 3305	Digital Media and Society	
COMM 3332	Movies in the Digital Age	
COMM 3333	Film Analysis	
COMM 3334	Global Cinema	
COMM 3335	Visual Communication	
Performing Arts: choose one from the following courses		3
MUS 2266	Creating Digital Media Using Personal Electronic Technology	
MUS 3705	Music for Elementary Classroom Teachers	
MUS 4100	Music in the Elementary Schools	
MUS 4455	Arts in Action: Music	
TA 2640	Acting for All Majors	
TA 3410	Theatre in the Classroom	
TA 4410	Drama in Education	
TA 4420	Touring Practicum	
TA 4430	Puppetry	
TA 4440	Creative Movement in the Classroom	
TA 4450	Arts in Action: Theatre	
Total Units		15

Area 2: Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Choose one of the following (Satisfies GE B2)		3
BIOL 1000	Introduction to Biology	
BIOL 1010	Biology for Teachers	
HSCI 1000	Concepts in Health	1
KINE 3520	Movement for Children	2
MATH 3010	Mathematical Concepts and Problem Solving for Educators I	4

MATH 3012	Mathematical Concepts and Problem Solving for Educators II	3
MATH 3013	Mathematical Concepts and Problem Solving for Educators III	3
GEOL 1090	Earth: The Blue Planet	4
Choose one of the following		3-6
NSCI 1300	Survey of Chemistry and Physics	
PHYS 3060 & CHEM 1090L	Physics and Astronomy in the Classroom and Structures and Properties of Matter Laboratory	
PHYS 1000 & CHEM 1090L	Physics in the Modern World and Structures and Properties of Matter Laboratory	
CHEM 1000 & PHYS 1000	Introduction to Chemistry and Physics in the Modern World	
Total Units		23-26

Area 3: Social Sciences and Child Development

Select one course (Satisfies GE D1)		3
HIST 1460	History of the United States: Pre-Colonization to Present	
HIST 2000	United States History to 1877	
HIST 2010	United States History, 1877 to the Present	
PSCI 2030	Government of the United States	3
HIST 2700	California History	3
ECON 3199	Economics in the Elementary and Middle School	3
GEOG 3605	Geography in the Elementary and Middle School Classroom	3
Child Development. Choose one of these options:		3-6
EDMS 3010	Growth and Development in Socio-Educational Contexts	
ENG 3310 & CD 2246	Child Language and Literacy Development and Observation and Methods: School Age Development	
CD 2240 & CD 2246	Introduction to Child Development and Observation and Methods: School Age Development	
Total Units		18-21

Area 4: Program requirements

CAL 2970	Liberal Studies: Foundation Seminar and Assessment Preparation	3
CAL 3970	Gateway to Liberal Studies	3
CAL 5900	Liberal Studies and Liberal Arts Senior Assessment and Writing Workshop	2
EDMS 2301	Introduction to Education	2
Total Units		10

Concentrations (12-33 units)

Note: Courses completed for this program or for the General Education program cannot be applied to any concentration.

Pre-Credential General Concentration

(Program Code: LBSG)

Twelve units of electives from the Colleges of Arts and Letters, Natural Sciences, and Social and Behavior Sciences, three of which must be upper-division (numbered 3000 and above).

This concentration is for students who wish to design their own course of study. They can seek the breadth of knowledge by taking classes from all three academic colleges mentioned above. They can also focus on particular areas by selecting classes in one area of study. In the latter case, they are encouraged to consult with the Liberal Studies Office and/or relevant departments.

Students who wish to pursue a credential in Special Education should take ESPE 3350, ESPE 5514, ESPE 5530, or ESPE 5531 as one of their electives.

Pre-Credential Spanish Studies Concentration

(Program Code: LBSS)

The Precredential-Spanish Studies Concentration is designed for those students interested in the Bilingual Added Authorization in the Multiple Subject Credential program, which gives them the eligibility to teach in a bilingual/Spanish classroom setting.

SPAN 3305	Applied Spanish Grammar	3
Select one of the following combinations:		4
SPAN 3301 & SPAN 3302	Advanced Spanish Language and Composition and Advanced Spanish Language and Composition Writing Lab	
SPAN 4401 & SPAN 4402	Spanish for the Professions and Spanish for the Professions Activity	
Choose one of the following courses:		3
ANTH 3601	Case Studies in Linguistic Anthropology	
ANTH 3701R	Cultures of Mexico and Central America	
ANTH 3702R	Anthropology of South America	
ART 2329	Xicanx Art	
CAL 3350	Latinx Border Identity: A Transmedia Perspective	
CAL 5763	International Experience: Latin American Studies	
CAL 5823	International Experience: European Studies	
COMM 4302	Latinx, Media, and Cultures	
ES 4301	Latinx History through Film, 1920-Present	
GEOG 4055	US-Mexico Border Region	
HIST 3710	California Indian History	
HIST 3900	History of Modern Mexico	
HIST 3910	Chicana/o History	
HIST 4650	Modern Central America	

HIST 4660	Foreign Relations of Latin America	
HIST 4670	Latin American History Through Film	
HIST 4690	Colonial Latin America	
HIST 4700	Modern Latin America	
HIST 5640	Chicana/Mexicana Feminisms	
HIST 5680	History of the U.S. - Mexico Borderlands	
MGMT 4050	Managing Across Borders	
MUS 3510	Latin American Music	
SOC 3420	The Latino Family	
SOC 4420	The Latino Experience in the U.S.	
SOC 4510	Sociology of Migration	
SOC 4530	Citizenship, Status, and Inequality	
Any 3000+ SPAN course not taken elsewhere to fulfill degree requirements.		
Two units of free electives		2
Total Units		12

Credential-Integrated Concentration

(Program Code: LBSI)

This concentration includes all the courses in the CSUSB Multiple Subject Credential program. It offers students a cost-cutting and time-saving option by allowing them to complete the BA degree and the credential coursework simultaneously. Reminder: Formal admission into the Multiple Subject Credential Program at CSUSB is required before commencing Credential-Integrated Concentration courses.

EDMS 4100	Psychological Foundations of Education	3
EDMS 4101A	Language Arts Teaching and Learning	3
or EDMS 4101B	Language Arts Teaching and Learning in Bilingual Settings	
EDMS 4102	Pedagogical Foundations for Teaching English Learners	3
EDMS 4103	Creating Supportive and Engaging Learning Environments	2
EDMS 4107A	Supervised Student Teaching in Multiple Subject	6
EDMS 4110	Assessment Seminar: CalTPA Cycle	3
EDMS 5104	Mathematics Teaching and Learning	3
EDMS 5105	Science Teaching and Learning	3
EDMS 5106A	Social Studies and the Arts Teaching and Learning	3
or EDMS 5106B	Social Studies and the Arts Teaching and Learning in Bilingual Settings	
EMAT 5100	Technology and Instructional Practices for Educators	1
EMAT 5101	Education, Diversity and Social Justice	3
Total Units		33