Western Carolina University
SUMMER 2024 LIBERAL STUDIES CHECK-SHEET
(Courses are 3 credit hours unless noted otherwise.)
*Denotes courses with an Inclusive Excellence component.

NOTE: Please refer to the schedule of classes for the most current information regarding Liberal Studies course offerings and availability. Courses that meet Liberal Studies requirements may be found using the Advanced Search option in the schedule of classes in myWCU. Attribute = LibStdy.

THE CORE (21 HOURS)

C1. Writing, 6 hours
ENGL 101 Writing and Rhetoric (Freshman Year)
ENGL 202 Writing and Critical Inquiry (Sophomore Year)

C2. Mathematics, 3 hours
MATH 101 Mathematical Concepts
MATH 130 Precalculus 1**
MATH 170 Applied Statistics
(Satisfied if student passes any MATH course 101 or higher, except for MATH 190-199, MATH 301, MATH 362, MATH 400, MATH 462, MATH 471 and MATH 479.)

C3. Oral Communication, 3 hours
COMM 201 Foundations of Communication

C4. Wellness, 3 hours
HEAL 111 Stress Management for Health & Wellness
HEAL 123 Health & Wellness
HSCC 101 Nutrition, Fitness & Wellness

C5. Physical & Biological Sciences, 6 hours
Courses must be taken in two different disciplines.
Other 100-200 level science courses from AST, BIOL, CHEM, ENVH, GEOL, NRM and PHYS (with the exceptions of ENVH 200, ENVH 210, NRM 213, NRM 240, and courses numbered from 190-199) meet this requirement.
*BIOL 102 Human Genetics
CHEM 101 Chemistry in Society
ENVH 130 Environmental Health Science: Systems & Solutions
GEOL 140 Investigations in Environmental Geology
GEOL 141 Earth History & Prehistoric Life
PHYS 105 Contemporary Physics

THE FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR (3 HOURS)
Transition courses such as USI, LEAD, COUN are NOT considered First-Year Seminars.

a. Students transferring in 0-15 credit hours are required to take this course in their first year.
b. Students transferring in 15.1 – 29.9 credit hours are eligible to take a First-Year Seminar, but it is not required. The First Year Seminar is waived and the student does not have to make up the hours in the Liberal Studies program, but will still need to graduate with the same number of hours required by the program of the major.
c. Students with 30 or more credit hours are not eligible to take a FYS.
d. Grading for the First-Year Seminar is A, B, C, or U (Unsatisfactory).
e. If a student receives a grade of U in the First Year Seminar he/she must make up the hours by taking another course in the Liberal Studies Program.

No course offerings

THE PERSPECTIVES (18 HOURS)

P1. Social Sciences, 6 hours (2 courses)
Courses must be taken in two different disciplines.

ANTH 115 Introduction to Biological Anthropology
*ECON 231 Introductory Microeconomics & Social Issues
*ECON 232 Introductory Macroeconomics & Social Issues
ENVH 200 Introduction to Public Health
FIN 210 Managing your Money for Financial Success
LAW 105 Introduction to Law
PSC 101 American Government & Politics
PSY 150 General Psychology

(P1 Continued)

PSY 320 Developmental Psychology 1: Childhood
*RTH 300 Health and Healing
*SOC 103 Human Society
SOC 235 Social Problems
*SOCW 251 Social Issues, Policy, & Programs
*SOCW 354 Human Behavior & the Social Environment
*SOCW 402 Diversity in Contemporary Society

P2. Category Has Changed to Core 5 (Physical & Biological Sciences)

P3. History, 3 hours
*HIST 107 World Cultures in Historical Perspective
*HIST 131 North American History to 1865
*HIST 132 US History Since 1865
*HIST 211 African History Since 1880
*HIST 237 African American History
*HIST 341 North Carolina History

P4. Humanities, 3 hours
ENGL 206 Literature and the Environment
ENGL 207 Popular Literature & Culture
ENGL 352 The Journey in Literature
ENGL 368 Film Genres
ENGL 390 The Bible as Literature
GBS 200 Introduction to Black Studies
LAW 201 Individual Rights
*LAW 306 Women & The Law
LAW 412 Business Ethics & Corporate Responsibility
PAR 102 Western Moral Traditions
PAR 146 Western Religious Traditions
PAR 201 Philosophy of Sex & Love
PAR 250 Origins of Early Christian Traditions
*PAR 313 Philosophy of Law
PAR 332 Biomedical Ethics & Social Justice

P5. Fine & Performing Arts, 3 hours
*ART 104 Introduction to the Visual Arts
IDES 250 Introduction to Interior Design

P6. World Cultures, 3 hours
Satisfied if student passes Modern Foreign Language (MFL) 101, 102, 140, 231, 232, 240, or 301. Only three credit hours earned in MFL apply to P6 category.

*BA 304 Business Communications in a Multicultural Environment
*CHER 101 Cherokee & Cherokee-Speaking World
*COMM 415 Intercultural Communication
HSCC 205 Women’s Health
*HT 238 Travel and Tourism
*ND 310 Food, Nutrition & Culture
*PAR 145 Eastern Religious Traditions
PSC 169 Global Issues
*SPAN 101 Beginning Spanish I
*SPAN 102 Beginning Spanish II

LEVEL PERSPECTIVE (ULP) (300-400 level)

ONE OF THE PERSPECTIVES CATEGORIES MUST BE MET WITH AN UPPER LEVEL PERSPECTIVE COURSE THAT IS OUTSIDE OF THE DISCIPLINE OF THE MAJOR. ULPs are bolded. Students should not enroll in courses numbered above their class rank without permission of the department offering the course.

NOTE: Courses used to meet Liberal Studies requirements (with the exception of Upper Level Perspective) may be used simultaneously to meet other requirements, including requirements in the major.

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