Studies in the humanities provide a foundation of liberal learning and essential understanding of the world and its people. SUNY Erie's Humanities programs emphasize critical thinking, judgment and historical perspective, and an appreciation of the rich diversity of human and cultural expression.

LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCE - HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE/HUMANITIES INTEREST

Degree: Associate in Arts
HEGIS Code: 5649
Curriculum Code: 1120
Campus Location: City, North, South, Distance
Liberal Arts Division

Pre-Admission Recommendations: HS or HSE (High School Equivalency) Diploma
Career Opportunities/Further Education: Transfer to Bachelor's Degree Program in Fine Arts, Philosophy, Music, etc.

The Liberal Arts curriculums has a dual purpose. The courses provide students subject matter enabling them to transfer to a four-year college or university, but the curriculum is also designed to provide general education for those who desire it.

Requirements are listed on the following pages for programs granting Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees. The Associate in Arts requirements are designed to give students a balanced distribution of courses in English, humanities and social sciences. The Associate in Science requirements are designed to give a student a balance between mathematics and laboratory sciences. These programs have been formulated to ensure a maximum level of acceptance for the transfer student regardless of the program for which he/she applies at a four-year institution.

SUNY General Education Student Learning Outcomes

The SUNY General Education knowledge and skills areas and the two competencies now function as the basis for the Liberal Arts Program outcomes. These General Education Requirements are detailed in the Academic Information section of this catalog. Students are strongly encouraged to fulfill the SUNY General Education Requirement prior to degree completion in order to facilitate seamless transfer to a four-year program.

Program Description

The content, ideas, intellectual frameworks, skills, and attitudes addressed in these courses are easily applied to any career goal. The Humanities degree program includes the foundation courses for many college majors.
The Humanities degree curriculum is designed to allow maximum flexibility in creating a program which best serves the interests and goals of individual students. Such a broad-based liberal arts curriculum is appropriate for students who plan to transfer into a bachelor's degree program in fields such as Dance, Drama, English, International Studies, Modern Languages, Music, Philosophy, or Pre-Law. Students uncertain about their long-term educational and career goals will find that this program provides a valuable opportunity to explore and test their interests.

Students intending to use this degree program as a basis for baccalaureate study and transfer should make certain that their course selections meet the requirements of the college to which they plan to transfer.

Program Competencies
Upon graduating with an Associate in Arts degree in Humanities, the student should be able to:

• demonstrate an understanding and command of the global nature of communication through foreign language and/or the arts.
• demonstrate an understanding of the vocabulary, concepts, and applications of various ethical theories.
• demonstrate the ability to creatively solve problems;
• demonstrate competency in one or more areas of the humanities (Art, Dance, Drama, English, French, Music, Philosophy, Sign Language, Spanish).
• explain the breadth, diversity, and creativity of human experience as expressed in the Humanities and the Arts;

SUNY Transfer Path Requirement
Students matriculating in this program are required to fulfill the SUNY Transfer Path Requirement that most closely aligns with the program. Speak to your adviser for details.

REQUIRED COURSES
Total Degree Credits: 60.0

Courses
• Students must fulfill the SUNY General Education Requirement as a condition for graduation. Note 1
• EN 110 - College Composition (3 cr)
• EN 111 - Composition and Interpretation of Literature (3 cr)
• 8 Humanities Courses Credit Hours: 24 Note 2
• SUNY General Education Knowledge Area: Mathematics (3 cr)
• SUNY General Education Knowledge Area: Natural Sciences (3 cr)
• SUNY General Education Knowledge Area: Social Sciences (3 cr)
• SUNY General Education Knowledge Area: Choose one course from one of these three areas- American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilization- (3 cr)

Notes
1 Liberal Arts Elective Credit Hours: 3
5 Open Elective Courses Credit Hours: 15 Note 3
The student must fulfill the requirements of at least one SUNY Transfer Path by completing the required courses. The advantage of fulfilling a SUNY Transfer Path is a guarantee of transfer into a SUNY four-year school. Students who are not interested in any of the existing transfer paths should consult an adviser in order to customize their degree path.

Notes:
1. The SUNY General Education Requirement is 30 credits in at least seven of the ten SUNY General Education categories.
   • The following four categories must be fulfilled: Basic Communication, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences.
   • Two of the following must be fulfilled: Humanities, Art, or Foreign Language.
   • At least one of the following must be fulfilled: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilization.

2. The following disciplines and courses qualify as Humanities courses:
   • Art - All Courses
   • Dance - All Courses
   • Drama/Theater - All Courses
   • French - All Courses
   • Honors - HP200 - Honors Capstone
   • Music - All Courses
   • Philosophy - All Courses
   • Sign Language - All Courses
   • Spanish - All Courses

3. Any courses in the course catalog. The student is encouraged to use these electives to fulfill the SUNY Transfer Path requirement. SUNY Transfer Paths can be reviewed here: www.suny.edu/attend/get-started/transfer-students/suny-transfer-paths/suny-transfer-paths-all/.

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