

## Liberal Studies

### Interdisciplinary Program Bachelor of Liberal Studies

The bachelor of liberal studies degree program is one option available to the student whose interests extend beyond a single academic major or more traditional interdepartmental program. The degree's flexibility may make it an appropriate option, for example, for nontraditional students who enroll only in evening courses. The student seeking the liberal studies degree works with a college academic advisor.

### Program Requirements

The following elements are required before admission into the liberal studies degree program is accepted:

- Completed no fewer than 30 semester hours;
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00;
- At least 12 semester hours of coursework remaining to be completed before graduation;
- Submitted the application for admission into the B.L.S. degree program any time before the first 14 days of the semester in which the last 12 hours of the degree program are begun;
- Submitted a personal essay of two to three pages which articulates a specific relationship between the student's long- and short-term goals and objectives and the proposed course of study.
- Students enrolled in other colleges at BGSU must meet with a college advisor before an application is made.
- A B.L.S. degree program may include within the 122 hours required for graduation no more than 27 hours within any one department in the College of Arts and Sciences.

To be eligible to graduate from the program, students must:

- Met all of the requirements set forth in section one above and have been admitted to the program;
- Completed 100 hours of coursework within the college;
- Met all of the University's requirements for a bachelor's degree;
- Satisfactorily completed a minimum of 122 hours, with at least 30 hours of coursework at BGSU;
- Completed GSW 1120;
- Completed the University's BG Perspective program (see BG Perspective requirements)
- When a student is pursuing a Liberal Studies degree and desires to complete another Arts & Sciences degree, no more than 18 hours from Liberal Studies can be counted in the second major requirements.

Students should be aware that this program may not be adequate preparation for admission to graduate programs or for careers that specify course sequences and specializations. However, this degree program allows for a more meaningful advising relationship and the student is not restricted to the requirements and course structure of a major or minor.

### Preparation for College

Because the liberal studies degree program is broad and flexible, it is not essential for students to have taken specific high school courses. However, a solid background in English composition, mathematics, foreign language, natural sciences, social and behavioral sciences and humanities is an important preparation for college work.

Completing the requirements for high school graduation is necessary for admission to BGSU, but only finishing the minimum coursework will leave you unprepared for college. Consider taking four years of mathematics instead of the three that are required. Two, three or even four years of the same foreign language is excellent for preparation for college.

You will also benefit from competency in computer use. Courses that provide exposure to or training in the visual and performing arts are excellent choices.

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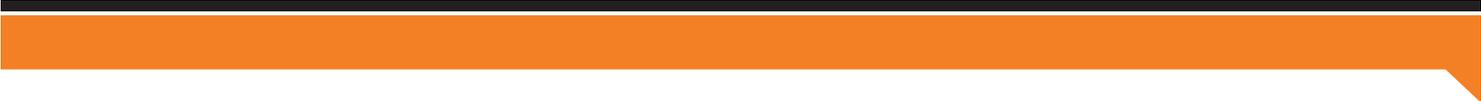
### Your University Opportunity

BGSU Firelands, located in Huron, Ohio, is a regional campus and one of the seven undergraduate colleges of Bowling Green State University. We offer many of the advantages and resources of a major university, but in a smaller, more personal environment.

Generally, students are able to complete at least two years of coursework toward most of the 200-degree programs at BGSU before transferring to the main campus, or to another college or university.

BGSU Firelands offers students a wireless environment campus wide. Kiosks and public-access computers located in most campus buildings provide easy Internet access. In addition, there are several on-campus computer labs with a variety of computers and software programs.

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The library, containing more than 30,000 volumes, is computer-linked to the more than 4 million items available through BGSU's libraries to provide excellent research opportunities.

Academic advisors work individually with students to plan their degree programs and small class sizes allow students to have close, personal contact with their professors. Free tutoring is readily available through the Teaching and Learning Center. Scholarships, grants and loans are available to assist students with tuition.

**NOTE:** Information in this guide is subject to change without notice. To learn more about the official program of study for Liberal Studies, please check the undergraduate catalog online at [www.bgsu.edu/catalog](http://www.bgsu.edu/catalog)