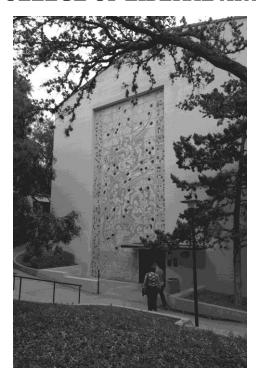
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The College of Liberal Arts provides students with the foundation for a liberal education, preparing graduates to think independently, to choose freely, to base personal and professional decisions on a broad understanding of history and culture, and to live full, rewarding lives. Recognizing the central importance of liberal education, the university requires that more than fifty percent of the general education core curriculum be taken in the College of Liberal Arts, and students increasingly declare majors or minors in one of the college's nine departments or special programs.

The College of Liberal Arts offers the Bachelor of Arts in each of its nine departments: Anthropology, English, Geography, History, Modern Languages, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology. The Bachelor of Science is awarded in Anthropology, Psychology, and Geography. The college also offers three special degrees: the Bachelor of Science in Applied Sociology (BSAS), the Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS), and the Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA). The college houses ten interdisciplinary minors: Media Studies, Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Nature and Heritage Tourism, Religious Studies, Social Gerontology, Southwestern Studies, Studies in Popular Culture, Diversity Studies, Value Studies, and the Women's Studies minor. The college provides education not only in the traditional humanities but also in the practical application of the humanities to professional careers.

Academic Advising Center

The Liberal Arts Advising Center works in cooperation with our departments and centers to provide academic advising and information to majors or minors in the College of Liberal Arts. The Advising Center is a resource for counseling on academic and administrative issues. Students can be informed about general education/core curriculum requirements, majors and minors, semester course selection, transfer and correspondence courses, academic probation and suspension, progress toward degree completion, study abroad opportunities, and career guidance.

Academic advisors strongly recommend the timely completion of degree audits and summaries to better assist our students with academic planning. Academic advisors offer explanations of these documents, and assist in the process of applications for graduation. The advising center maintains course syllabi for each semester and refers students to campus resources and support services when necessary. Academic advisors work closely with departments and centers in the College and at the University, from new student orientation to graduation to ensure that each of our students has a successful academic career.

In an effort to provide our Liberal Arts students with a one-stop shopping experience for academic advising and career information, the College has established a College of Liberal Arts Career Center. The career center provides students with a wide array of career-related information and resources. The four primary areas in which the career center staff can assist students are with self-assessment, career exploration, reality testing and implementation; i.e. practice interviewing skills, exploring internship opportunities, or help with job searches. If students have career concerns, students may make an appointment to meet with our career center advisor or visit during walk-in hours.