COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

About the College

A college of arts and sciences is central to the fulfillment of the purposes of higher education. Undergraduate study in a liberal arts college is designed to develop the whole person through the free inquiry that trains the mind for critical analysis and aesthetic appreciation. A liberal education begins with introductory studies in the natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities; its end is the development of the intellect to its full potential. Liberal education is a lifelong endeavor, and the goal of a college of arts and sciences is to ensure that the opportunities exist for a substantial beginning to this process.

The College of Arts and Sciences (http://louisville.edu/a-s) of the University of Louisville is founded on these traditional principles, interwoven with the special role of an urban university. As the college which offers the most comprehensive undergraduate programs and several graduate programs, the College of Arts and Sciences has an integral role in the fulfillment of the university's mission by integrating urban-related courses within the foundation of a liberal education.

The theoretical and practical knowledge in the College's baccalaureate programs is generally regarded as excellent preparation for many careers that do not require professional or advanced degrees and is the academic foundation for most students who enter master's and doctoral graduate programs. The College also provides the liberal arts academic base for students who later attend the professional schools. In addition to the undergraduate curriculum, most departments in the College offer programs leading to the master's degree and eleven departments offer doctoral degrees.

A university is expected to advance the theories and application of knowledge. This expectation is fulfilled primarily by the creative research of its faculty. This creativity is related directly to the role of teacher, for it ensures that the College's students learn from enthusiastic and excellent faculty members who advocate the principle of lifelong inquiry.

The College's allegiance to the traditions of a liberal education does not end with the preservation of its history or its traditional programs. The vitality of the College is found in its continuing re-examination of itself, and in its willingness to change when change would further the welfare of its students, its faculty, and its community.

Structure

The College of Arts and Sciences has a division of humanities, a division of natural sciences, and a division of social sciences. These divisions represent the disciplines which collectively make up the liberal arts and sciences. Each division contains departments which offer programs in specific disciplines. In addition to these departments, the College has a number of interdisciplinary programs which involve faculty and coursework from several disciplines.

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academic grievance as stated in this catalog and as published in
The College of Arts and Sciences follows the procedures for
Academic Grievance Procedure
bulletin boards or sent through electronic or postal mail. Failure to
officials and instructors, whether these notices be posted on official
All students must respond to official notices issued by administrative
Official Notices

It is the student's responsibility to read the catalog and official
Announcing Services
Please see the section of the catalog related to Academic Advising. To
determine if you have an advising hold, please check your ULink account,
under the student services tab, and click on the "holds" link.
Information for Students

Academic Bankruptcy and Forgiveness & Fresh Start

Academic Bankruptcy and Forgiveness (http://catalog.louisville.edu/
committee will then recommend to the Dean whether the faculty member
convened to review the incident and a statement from the student. The
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inform the student of his/her right to appeal an unfavorable decision to
her designee. During this initial encounter the faculty member should
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As evidence of the seriousness with which the College regards these
matters, a student-faculty review committee, the Student Grievance
and Academic Discipline Committee, has been established to assist in
dealing with violators. The Student Grievance and Academic Discipline
Committee also exists to protect the student's right to a fair and impartial
hearing. To ensure its effectiveness, the faculty should view it as the
primary channel through which such problems can be resolved. The
faculty member who believes a problem of cheating or plagiarism exists
should first confront the student or students involved and attempt to
resolve the matter. A report of the facts of the case and any decision
which was made should be sent by the professor to the Dean or his/
her designee. During this initial encounter the faculty member should
inform the student of his/her right to appeal an unfavorable decision to
the committee. The faculty member has the authority to address and
sanction dishonest acts as most appropriate for the course and type of
dishonesty that occurred. If it is determined during the reporting process
that the student has previously violated this policy, the committee will be
convened to review the incident and a statement from the student. The
committee will then recommend to the Dean whether the faculty member
has issued a fair sanction, further disciplinary action should occur, or if a
hearing with the individual student should be held. Subsequent offenses
may result in a recommendation to the Dean to suspend or dismiss
the individual from the College. All final actions taken by the Dean that
result from faculty or committee recommendations shall be entered in
the student's record. This committee is comprised of three students,
selected by a nominating committee of the Student Council and/or of
the Graduate Network in Arts and Sciences; three faculty members,
representing the three divisions of the College, elected by the faculty; and
a representative of the Office of the Dean of the College, ex officio.

Written statements shall be made by both parties and made available
to both parties and the committee prior to any oral testimony. Any
refutations may be made in writing or orally at the hearing. Evidence not
submitted in the original written statements will not normally be accepted
at the oral hearing.

All evidence in writing before the committee in a case shall be available
to the principals. The committee shall hear such cases as come before it
and allow the student to speak on his or her own behalf and to present
evidence and witnesses. Further, the burden of proof rests with the
person making the charge.

The committee may adopt additional principles or procedures as seem
appropriate. Such changes, however, should be presented to the faculty
for approval.

Any student who believes the processing or final disposition of a charge
of academic dishonesty was unfair may initiate a grievance under the
Academic Grievance Procedure as outlined in this catalog.

Students should be aware that all recorded instances of Academic
Misconduct are retained by the Dean's Office for five years after the time
the student separates from the university. Should it be requested, this
information will be provided to any graduate or professional school to
which the student applies.

Code of Faculty Responsibilities
1.0 Applicability
This code shall apply to all faculty members associated with the College
of Arts and Sciences of the University of Louisville and to all graduate
students and other personnel having teaching or research assignments
in that school, hereinafter referred to as the teaching and research
personnel.

2.0 Responsibilities
The teaching and research personnel of the College of Arts and Sciences
hereby subscribe to the following specific responsibilities:

2.1 General Relations
2.11. The teaching and research personnel shall respect the
rights of all members of the University community to pursue their
academic and administrative activities, provided these activities do
not contravene academic freedom. They retain the right to criticize
and seek revision of these activities.

2.12. They shall respect the rights of all members of the University
community to free and orderly expression.

2.13. They shall respect the right of any member of the University
community to privacy and confidentiality. This right guarantees
freedom against violation without consent of assigned physical
premises, such as carrels and office space, and also against

- That practical measures be taken to minimize opportunities for
dishonesty; e.g., adequate proctoring, the use of alternate forms of an
examination if seating is crowded.
- The practice of giving identical examinations to different classes,
whether separated in time by ten minutes or by a semester,
invites cheating. When there are good reasons for such repetition,
appropriate security precautions should be taken.
- The repeated assignment of the same material for papers or
homework invites plagiarism. When assignments are repeated,
students should be informed that the unauthorized reliance on earlier
papers is forbidden and that the instructor has effective means of
detecting same.
- That the instructor specifies with regard to assignments the degree to
which students may confer and cooperate in achieving answers.
- The College does not operate on an honor system. If within a
particular class an instructor wishes to institute such a system, the
students should be clearly informed of their responsibilities.

IV. Guidelines for Students
Recognizing his/her responsibility as a member of the academic
community, the student should strive to maintain intrinsically honest
academic conduct. The student must seek to avoid any action which
would compromise academic integrity. To ensure both the fact and the
appearance of proper conduct, the student should follow these basic
guidelines:

- During examinations, the student must be careful to do nothing that
can be construed as cheating. The student shall follow carefully all
directions given by the instructor with regard to taking tests and
completing assignments.
- The instructor’s request to keep test questions private shall be
honored by the student.
- If the student is aware of practices by the instructor which are
conducive to cheating, or of acts of cheating by students, he/she
may convey this information either to any member of the student-
faculty review committee (see section “V. Procedures”) or directly to
the instructor.
- Learning the proper methods of documentation and scholarship is
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committing plagiarism unwittingly.

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2.2 Student Relations

2.21. The teaching and research personnel shall uphold the student academic rights as set forth in the Student Bill of Rights adopted by the College on March 1, 1971.

2.22. They shall make known, in writing, as soon as possible during the first week of instruction, their expectations for the course as to assignments, methods of evaluation, and student course participation.

2.23. They shall present the subject matter of a course as published in the catalog, and shall avoid the persistent intrusion of material which has no relation to the subject.

2.24. They shall meet classes as scheduled in accordance with university regulations. Absences caused by illness, emergencies, personal responsibilities, or religious observances are excusable but must be reported to the Department Chair, in advance, if possible. Absences owing to professional obligations such as attendance at scholarly meetings or occasional professional service are excusable absences which nevertheless require prior notification of the Department Chair. In the case of anticipated absences, a qualified substitute, or provisions for additional assignments or alternate activity should be arranged.

2.25. They shall make themselves available for advising students by observing posted office hours, and by allowing students to arrange for appointments at other mutually convenient times.

2.26. They shall learn the academic requirements and various degree programs of the University affecting students whom they advise.

2.27. They shall arrange for appropriate interaction and communication with graduate students in the direction of their theses.

2.28. They shall provide students with an evaluation of their completed work within a reasonable period of time, and allow them access to their own papers, quizzes, and examinations.

2.29. They shall give final examinations, when these are required as part of the evaluation of the student, in accordance with schedules and procedures adopted by the College.

2.30. They shall give due acknowledgement to students who contribute to faculty efforts toward professional or personal advancement.

2.31. They shall respect the student’s right to decline participation as a research subject in, or to withdraw from, a particular experiment without prejudice to his/her grade. Alternate experiences or exercises shall be provided to assure the equivalent in educational value to those students who wish not to participate as research subjects. Departments which use human subjects in experiments shall adhere to such code of ethics as are established within their respective professions.

Specifically:

2.31.1. Experimenters shall inform human subjects about the nature of each particular experiment so that they can make an informed choice to participate or not.

2.31.2. Experimenters shall keep the results of an experiment and the identity of the human subjects, who participate in it, separate, and the latter, confidential.

2.32. Teaching and research personnel shall respect the rights of all students to be free from sexual harassment.*

* Sexual harassment is here used as defined by current university policy.

Undergraduate Programs

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- Actuarial Mathematics (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/actuarial-mathematics-minor))
- Aerospace Studies (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/aerospace-studies-minor))
- American Sign Language Interpreting Studies (BS) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/american-sign-language-interpreting-studies-bs))
- Anthropology (BA) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/anthropology-ba))
- Archaeology (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/archaeology-minor))
- Art (BA) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/art-ba))
- Art (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/art-minor))
- Art - Fine Art (BFA) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/art-fine-art-bfa))
- Art History (BA) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/art-history-ba))
- Art History (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/art-history-minor))
- Asian Studies (BA) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/asian-studies-ba))
- Asian Studies (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/asian-studies-minor))
- Atmospheric Science (BS) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/atmospheric-science-bs))

B

- Biology (BA) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/biology-ba))
- Biology (BS) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/biology-bs))
- Biology (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/biology-minor))
- Black Performance Studies (Minor) ([link](http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/black-performance-studies))
C

- Chemistry (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/chemistry-ba)
- Chemistry (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/chemistry-bs)
- Chemistry (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/chemistry-minor)
- Chinese (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/chinese-minor)
- Chinese Studies (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/chinese-studies-minor)
- Communication (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/communication-ba)
- Communication (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/communication-bs)
- Communication (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/communication-minor)
- Criminal Justice (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/criminal-justice-bs)
- Criminal Justice (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/criminal-justice-minor)
- Criminal Justice with a 3+3 Track to Law (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/criminal-justice-3-track-ba)

E

- English (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/english-ba)
- English Creative Writing (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/english-creative-writing-minor)
- English Literature (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/english-literature-minor)
- Environmental Analysis (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/geography-environmental-analysis-minor)

F

- Film Studies and Production (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/film-studies-and-production)
- Forensic Anthropology (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/forensic-anthropology-minor)
- French (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/french-ba)
- French (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/french-minor)

G

- Geography (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/geography-minor)
- Geography, Applied (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/applied-geography-bs)
- Geospatial Technologies, Applied (Certificate) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/certificates/applied-geospatial-tech)
- German (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/german-minor)

H

- History (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/history-ba)
- History (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/history-minor)
- History with 3+3 Track to Law (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/history-3-plus-3-track-ba)
- Humanities (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/humanities-ba)
- Humanities (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/humanities-minor)

I

- Individualized Major (Liberal Studies) (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/liberal-studies-ba)
- Italian (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/italian-minor)

J

- Jewish Studies (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/jewish-studies-minor)

L

- Latin American and Latino Studies (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/latin-american-latino-studies-ba)
- Latin American and Latino Studies (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/latin-american-latino-studies-minor)
- Leadership (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/leadership-minor)
- LGBTQ Studies (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/lgbtq-minor)
- Linguistics (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/linguistics-minor)

M

- Mathematics (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/mathematics-ba)
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- Mathematics (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/mathematics-minor)
- Middle East and Islamic Studies (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/middle-east-islamic-studies-minor)

N

- Neuroscience (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/neuroscience-bs)

P

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• Police Executive Leadership Development (CPE) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/certificates/police-executive-leadership-development-cpe)

• Political Science (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/political-science-ba)

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• Social Change (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/social-change-minor)

• Socio-Cultural Anthropology (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/socio-cultural-anthropology-minor)

• Sociology (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/sociology-ba)

• Sociology (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/sociology-bs)

• Sociology (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/sociology-minor)

• Spanish (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/spanish-ba)

• Spanish (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/spanish-minor)

• Sustainability (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/sustainability-ba)

• Theatre Arts (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/theatre-arts-bs)

• Theatre Arts (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/theatre-arts-minor)

• Urban and Regional Analysis (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/urban-regional-analysis-minor)

• Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/womens-and-gender-studies-ba)

• Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (BS) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/womens-gender-studies-bs)

• Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (Minor) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/minors/womens-gender-studies-minor)

• Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies with a 3+3 Track to Law (BA) (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/womens-gender-studies-3-plus-3-track-ba)