

DIVISION OF GENERAL STUDIES

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The Division of General Studies has six (6) primary missions:

- Provide academic advising for Advised Admission students and students who have not selected a major.
- Administer the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) program.
- Administer the Rules for Students in Developmental Courses.
- Administer the Placement and Continuing Enrollment Rules related to freshman-level mathematics and English courses.
- Administer the Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies degree program.
- Provide programs through the following six (6) departments to assist students to attain their highest level of academic achievement possible by creating a supportive and challenging environment that will provide equal opportunity to all students for academic success in the various stages of their academic journey.
 1. Academic Advising Services
 2. Academic Support Programs
 3. Student Disability Services
 4. Student Success Programs
 5. Upward Bound
 6. University Testing

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN LIBERAL STUDIES

Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies is a program designed principally for mature students who seek a flexible degree program and who do not desire or may not meet prerequisites of a highly structured traditional degree program, and to permit students to plan, with advisement, an individualized program with access to a wide range of academic disciplines and fields of professional study. This program is not designed to provide students with the depth of content within a concentration to typically prepare the student for advanced studies within an academic discipline related to this concentration.

Option #1 – Dual Concentration	SCH
University General Education Requirements	42
Primary Concentration	18
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All 18 hours must be from the same academic discipline.• At least 12 advanced (upper level) courses must be completed with Tarleton.• Must be from an academic discipline different than the secondary concentration.	
Secondary Concentration	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All 9 hours must be from the same academic discipline.• At least 6 advanced (upper level) courses must be completed with Tarleton.• Must be from an academic discipline different than the primary concentration.	

CIS 103 or 300	3
ENGL 309	3
LS 498	3
Electives (at least 21 hours advanced)	42
Total	120

Option #2 – Three Concentrations

University General Education Requirements	SCH
Concentration #1	42
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- All 9 hours must be from the same academic discipline.
- At least 6 advanced (upper level) courses must be completed with Tarleton.
- Must be from an academic discipline different than the other concentrations.

Concentration #2	9
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- All 9 hours must be from the same academic discipline.
- At least 6 advanced (upper level) courses must be completed with Tarleton.
- Must be from an academic discipline different than the other concentrations.

Concentration #3	9
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- All 9 hours must be from the same academic discipline.
- At least 6 advanced (upper level) courses must be completed with Tarleton.
- Must be from an academic discipline different than the other concentrations.

CIS 103 or 300	3
ENGL 309	3
LS 498	3
Electives (at least 21 hours advanced)	42
Total	120

Catalog Notes:

- Prior to submitting a degree plan, the student must have completed 60 semester hours toward the degree not including developmental courses.
- At least 45 hours of advanced (upper level) credit is required for the degree
- A minimum of 32 semester hours of work must be completed with Tarleton, of which at least 24 hours must be advanced.
- A maximum of 68 semester hours of academic credit will be accepted for degree credit from a two-year institution.
- Not more than 30 semester hours of non-standard credit will be counted toward the degree.
- A student may count toward the degree not more than 6 hours of Religious Studies credits.
- A student may count toward the degree not more than 6 hours of Physical Education credits.
- A student may not declare a minor in this degree program.
- A student will complete the Writing Intensive Program requirements through successful completion of ENGL 309 and LS 498.

Deans' Council Notes:

- 45 Advanced Hours:
 - 18 hours from concentrations
 - 6 hours from ENGL 309 and LS 498
 - 21 hours electives
- 24 Advanced Hours in Residence
 - 18 hours from concentrations
 - 6 hours from ENGL 309 and LS 498