

**Southern Illinois University Edwardsville**  
**BACHELOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES**

This guide provides only a suggested course of study and should be used in consultation with an advisor and the SIUE Undergraduate Catalog, available online at [www.siu.edu/registrar/](http://www.siu.edu/registrar/).

YEAR	FALL	SPRING
1	ENG 101 English Composition I 3 SPC 103 Interpersonal Communication or SPC 105 Public Speaking^ 3 PHIL 106 Critical Thinking or MATH 106 Deductive Reasoning^ 3 Intro Fine Arts & Humanities 3 Intro Natural Sciences & Mathematics 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 15	ENG 102 English Composition II 3 CMIS 108 Computer Concepts or STAT 107 Concepts of Statistics^ 3 Intro Social Sciences 3 Intro GENERAL EDUCATION 3 Intro GENERAL EDUCATION 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 15
2	LS Dist Fine Arts and Humanities* 3 LS Dist Natural Sciences and Math* 3 Dist Social Sciences 3 Dist Fine Arts & Humanities 3 Intergroup Relations (IGR)# 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 15	LS Dist Social Sciences* 3 LS Dist Fine Arts and Humanities* 3 Focused Elective+ 3 Focused Elective+ 3 Dist Natural Sciences & Mathematics 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 15
3	LS Dist Natural Sciences and Math* 3 LS Dist Social Sciences* 3 LS Dist Fine Arts and Humanities* 3 Focused Elective+ 3 Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) 3 ELECTIVE 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 18	LS Dist Natural Sciences and Math* 3 LS Dist Fine Arts and Humanities* 3 LS Dist Social Sciences* 3 Focused Elective+ 3 ELECTIVE 4 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 16
4	LS Dist Natural Sciences and Math* 3 LS Dist Social Sciences* 3 LS Dist Fine Arts and Humanities* 3 Focused Elective+ 3 International Issues/Cultures (II/IC)# 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 15	LIBS 400 Senior Project** 3 LS Dist Social Sciences* 3 LS Dist Natural Sciences and Math* 3 Focused Elective+ 3 Focused Elective+ 3 <hr style="width: 100%;"/> 15

^ The General Education courses listed on this guide meet Option A of the Skills requirement. A student who wishes to select Option B will complete 2 semesters of the same foreign language and one of the following courses: PHIL 106, MATH 106, FL 106, STAT 107, CMIS 108, or CS 108.

\* At least five Liberal Studies Distribution courses in each area (Fine Arts & Humanities, Natural Sciences & Mathematics, and Social Sciences) must be completed with a grade of C or better. These distribution courses are above and beyond the general education requirements and should total a minimum of 15 semester hours in each area.

# Course taken to fulfill this requirement may also satisfy another General Education requirement. Refer to the SIUE Undergraduate Catalog for a list of approved courses.

+ A specific interdisciplinary focus will be formulated upon the student's entry into the program and will become a part of the student's educational contract. Courses taken to satisfy elective hours will explicitly relate to this focus.

\*\* Requires a grade of C or better.

NOTE: Forty-five credits must be earned at the 300-400 level. A maximum of twenty-four hours, beyond general education requirements, may be used in any one discipline to meet degree requirements.

Declaring a Bachelor of Liberal Studies Major: To declare a major in the BLS program, it is necessary to have:

1. Completed all Academic Development courses required by the University;
2. Completed any required courses to address high school deficiencies;
3. A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale);
4. A student proposal, consisting of an educational contract, approved by director of the BLS degree program.

For further information, contact the BLS program director, PH 3432, 650-5058, or CAS Undergraduate Advising, PH 1315, 650-5525.

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