

Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MLA)**Program Path:****IDS Type:** Departmentally Restricted IDS**Program Type:** Foundational IDS Program

Description: You want to ask questions. Break out of your comfort zone. Take an intellectual journey with confidence and creativity. You want to be part of a community devoted to learning from the best of human thought, from the ancient to the contemporary. The Master of Liberal Arts is a multidisciplinary program that's all about exploring fundamental human questions and problems. It is led by some of the most distinguished faculty at the University of Chicago—renowned scholars in the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. They'll answer your questions, but also ask a few of their own. They'll listen closely to your opinions and experiences. Best of all, the MLA offers you the discipline and rigor of a full-time graduate program at the University of Chicago, but in a flexible, part-time, weekday evening or Saturday format. Students say that the sense of meaningful accomplishment they experience in the program is thrilling. It is like nothing you have done before, and may be the next great thing to do with your life. (From website.)

Program Structure:**Admission Requirements:** Application, Official Undergraduate Transcripts, Statement of Purpose, Writing Sample, (2) Letters of Recommendation, Interview**Credit Hours:** 30 credits**Required Coursework:** 6 credits, Two Core course**Individually Selected Coursework:** 18 credits, Electives**Exit Courses & Work:** 3 credits, Independent study course (Final Project or Thesis)**Established Department(s) of Focus:** Master of Liberal Arts courses only**Program Statistics:****Faculty:** The MLA is not a department, as such; it is an interdisciplinary master's program. About 16 University faculty members teach MLA classes each year.**Students:** Resident students only. Program designed for part-time students, classes offered on evenings and weekends.**Program History:** Program established in 1992**Contact Information:**

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