

Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS)

Program Path:

IDS Type: Unrestricted IDS

Program Type: Floating IDS Program

Description: The Master of Arts in Liberal Studies program (MALS) is designed for people who wish to pursue a particular topical or interdisciplinary interest at the graduate level, but find the existing programs either too specialized or insufficiently individualized. The liberal studies program offers students the opportunity to design a program of study which addresses their specific needs and interests in a focused, coherent manner. All students complete intensive work in two or three areas of study and become familiar with interdisciplinary research theories and methods. MALS students are self-motivated, disciplined, and independent. Many are passionately interested in problems and issues which cross the boundaries of traditional academic departments. Their goal may be to add coherence to their intellectual lives, or to provide themselves with the kind of broad knowledge base which will allow them to advance in their careers and adapt flexibly to an ever-changing job market. (From online program catalog.)

Program Structure:

Admission Requirements: Application, Official Undergraduate Transcripts, Statement of Purpose, GRE, (3) Letters of Recommendation, Interview

Credit Hours: 36 credits

Required Coursework: 3 credits, Research Goals and Strategies course

Individually Selected Coursework: 27 credits, Nine Electives

Exit Courses & Work: 6 credits, Master's thesis or terminal project

Established Department(s) of Focus: Open

Program Statistics:

Faculty: No IDS specific faculty information available

Students: Resident students only

Program History: No information available

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