

SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES

School Dean

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Degrees and Majors

Bachelor of Arts

- Art
- Chemistry
- Communication
- English
- French
- German
- History
- Music
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre

Bachelor of Science

- Biology
- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Environmental Health
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Political Science
- Sociology

Bachelor of Science in Education

- Art
- Biology
- Unified Science with Biology Endorsement
- Chemistry
- Unified Science with Chemistry Endorsement
- English
- French
- German
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physics
- Unified Science with Physics Endorsement
- Social Studies
- Spanish
- Speech-Theatre

Options and Emphases

- Art (B.A.)
 - Studio Art
 - Graphic Communications
- Biology (B.S.)
 - Biology
 - Bioinformatics

Communication (B.A.)

- Speech Communication
- Mass Communications
- Public Relations

English (B.A.)

- Literary Studies
- General Writing
- Professional/Technical Writing
- Creative Writing

Mathematics (B.S.)

- Mathematics
- Computational Mathematics

Music (B.S.E.)

- Double Certification
- Instrumental
- Vocal

Social Studies (B.S.E.)

- History
- Political Science
- Sociology

Theatre (A.A.)

- Associate of Arts with Emphasis in Theatre

Minors: See Departments

Role

The School of Arts and Sciences consists of nine departments representing over 15 disciplines. Although diverse in nature and subject, the departments in the School of Arts and Sciences share three principle responsibilities: teaching, scholarly and creative activity, and service to the college and community.

Quality teaching is our primary role and responsibility. Arts and Sciences faculty teach the majority of courses in the Core Curriculum, a diverse but integrated group of courses that form the foundation of higher education. The School of Arts and Sciences prepares students for a variety of careers, or for graduate and professional school.

The second function of the School of Arts and Sciences is scholarly and creative activity. Scholarly research and activity advances knowledge and improves teaching by keeping faculty current in their field and creating a dynamic environment for students. Creative activity and performance improves the proficiency of faculty and enhances teaching. The result is an enriched cultural experience for students and the community.

College and community service, the third function of the School of Arts and Sciences, provides opportunities for faculty to participate in a variety of college and community affairs. Faculty provide academic expertise and problem solving skills to the college and community. The school serves as a cultural resource by presenting films, art exhibitions, dramatic productions, musical concerts and recitals.