



The Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Studies

Choose your own path.

Combine your interests and passions with diverse coursework that allows you to complete your degree. A college degree is more important now than ever to meet current and future workforce needs. Tailor flexible coursework to your interests and schedule while completing your college degree. Whether moving up in your current position or changing your current career to follow a lifelong dream, completing your degree will put you a step ahead.

The Bachelor of Liberal Studies

The Bachelor of Liberal Studies enables students to combine structured areas of academic emphasis in ways more relevant to their interests than the standard academic major. This degree may be completed online, at one of UMSL's off-campus sites or in person on the UMSL campus offering convenience and flexibility. Students who participate in this online program must declare their areas of study (two minors or a minor and undergraduate certificate) at the time they declare that BLS is their intended degree. The plan of study must be approved at the beginning of the program.

Upon completion of the Bachelor of Liberal Studies, graduates will be able to communicate effectively and professionally; prepare persuasive, well-organized reports and documents; work with advanced technologies; engage in informed dialogue; conduct research for their areas of academic focus; negotiate and work productively with advisors, mentors and colleagues to maximize their strategic impact; network with professionals; undertake a variety of projects independently and develop coherent, innovative plans to launch these projects; design innovative approaches to solving problems and explore solutions that merge disparate ideas and concepts while encouraging collaboration and risk-taking.

Transforming Lives

The Bachelor of Liberal Studies at UMSL is earned through our College of Arts and Sciences, the academic core of the University of Missouri–St. Louis. Through academic programs offered on- and off- campus, traditional and nontraditional students gain knowledge, skills and intellectual leadership for a variety of career paths, advanced study and research in many academic disciplines.

Graduates are known for their professionalism on the job and their strong sense of civic responsibility. Students in our programs engage in creative and critical thinking, learn to analyze evidence, to appreciate patterns of complexity and to reflect on important issues that impact our daily lives. Students gain skill sets to prepare for a changing workplace that requires flexible, dynamic, and well-educated employees.

Serious education. Serious value.

The Bachelor of Liberal Studies is designed to provide specialized knowledge, skills and training in a flexible format, with classes available online. You'll learn from highly qualified educators and researchers who hold terminal degrees from some of the world's most prestigious academic institutions.

The University of Missouri–St. Louis provides the knowledge, resources, tools, skills and support students need to be successful in our programs. Our comprehensive student support services include workshops, tutoring and career services to help you develop skills and strategies to be successful in the classroom and beyond. UMSL welcomes transfer students and our transfer specialists will assist you with getting the most transfer credits possible. We're also committed to increasing access to higher education, which is why UMSL is consistently ranked number one in affordability in the St. Louis region.

Learn more at bls.umsl.edu

The University of Missouri–St. Louis is the largest public research university located in Missouri's most populous and economically important region. MSL provides high-quality, affordable education to one of the most diverse student bodies in the state. No university is better connected to the surrounding region than UMSL. Seventy-three percent of our graduates stay in St. Louis. The region needs a well-equipped workforce and UMSL is prepared to help you meet those needs. Choose the University of Missouri–St. Louis for liberal studies.

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