

Mission Statement
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences supports the University Mission in numerous ways:

- 1) Develops students' communication, analytic, and information-gathering skills by fostering positive, student-centered learning experiences;
- 2) Promotes the use and appreciation of creative arts and skills;
- 3) Prepares students to be informed, responsible citizens;
- 4) Maintains a respect for all peoples and cultures, both historical and contemporary;
- 5) Prepares students to be catalysts for change, thus contributing to the creation of a just and humane society;
- 6) Encourages students to embrace non-traditional and experiential learning opportunities outside the traditional classroom;
- 7) Provides outstanding academic programs and experiences which enhance cultural development opportunities and leadership throughout the University's service area; and
- 8) Supports activities that contribute to intellectual growth and lifelong learning in the community.

To attain these goals, the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences works to promote knowledge, to encourage academic and intellectual inquiry, to create a culture of success, and to foster the growth of creative enterprise among faculty, students, and the community by emphasizing quality teaching, service learning, rigorous scholarship, creative artistry, and civic involvement, both public and professional.