

College of Arts and Sciences

From its founding in 1883, the College of Arts and Sciences has offered an energetic and imaginative approach to education in the liberal arts and sciences. In all our degree programs, students work on the skills of gathering, interpreting, questioning, and communicating knowledge about themselves and the world they live in. They seek to become more reflective about their beliefs and principles, more skilled in ways of understanding the world, and more prepared to respond thoughtfully -- even joyfully -- to learning opportunities and personal and social challenges that will come their way over their lifetimes. Our emphasis is not on narrow training, but on the liberal or liberating skills and knowledge that can prepare graduates for fulfilling lives as well as meaningful life's work. *Education in the College seeks to transform students into informed, engaged, and empowered individuals and citizens.*

Through small class size and teaching that fosters active learning, we emphasize the rigor, depth, and engagement of our students' academic experiences. In our formal curriculum and campus culture, we offer multiple opportunities out of a range of disciplinary perspectives to respond to enduring and contemporary questions. Learning through first-hand experience is a way to substantial and meaningful education; students are encouraged to develop academic plans that include study abroad, community engagement, community-based research, internships in fields of interest, independent research, and out-of-classroom experiences that complement learning in the major, in general education, and in elective courses. The College is proud to host a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest chapter at a private college in Florida. Alongside that commitment to the highest standards of academic excellence is a commitment to social justice and community engagement that has been recognized by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Undergraduate Degrees Offered

B.A. and B.S.

Two undergraduate degrees are offered by the College: the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and the Bachelor of Science (B.S.). Traditionally, the B.A. has emphasized a broad education in the liberal arts and sciences, with a special emphasis on the skills of critical thinking, reading, problem-solving, speaking and listening, writing, and creativity. The B.S. builds on similar learning in the liberal arts and sciences to develop advanced knowledge and skills in more scientific, technical, or applied fields.

At Stetson, all degree programs emphasize breadth of learning, so the difference between B.A. and B.S. degrees is a matter of emphasis in majors. A candidate for either the B.A. or the B.S. degree must complete 32 units of academic work with a C (2.0) average overall. These units are roughly evenly divided into three categories: general education, the major, and electives. A unit in the College is roughly equated to 4 credits.

The Major, Minor, and Elective

In addition to a breadth of study in general education, students in the College develop more advanced understandings through at least 10 courses in one of the College's majors or in the Individualized Major available through the Honors Program. Additional courses in the chosen field of study may be taken as electives. Electives may be selected to pursue a self-defined, intellectual or creative passion or to strengthen preparation for graduate study or professional schools of law, medicine, education, music, counseling, or business. Students may also choose to use elective courses to complete a minor in the College or in the Schools of Business Administration or Music. A minor is not required, but many are available. Details of the requirements for each major and minor are listed separately in the *Catalog*. To earn a degree, a student must complete all requirements with at least a C average (2.0) in the major, as well as cumulatively in all courses.

Internship Courses in the College of Arts and Sciences

Exploring the Liberal Arts Through Field Experience Related to the Major

A relevant internship is a powerful way for students to wed their passion for learning to world issues and challenges. Through internships, students in majors across the arts and sciences can enrich their classroom education while also building resumes and employment networks to support their candidacies for admission to graduate and professional schools, as well as for entrance into professions.

To encourage reflection on the connections between liberal learning and the professions, the College has established 397 internship courses across its fields of study. (Under separate numbers, the program in Elementary Education similarly requires a student-teaching "block" of courses leading to certification). These internship courses follow guidelines for experiential learning and academic reflection to ensure that students have meaningful opportunities to explore the value of liberal education to the professions and other occupations. Typically, as part of the internship, the student is asked to keep a journal, write a reflective essay or report, or prepare a portfolio. An on-site supervisor provides a letter of evaluation, and the faculty member charged with supervising the internship determines the course grade.

Internship courses may be offered for a unit or half-unit of academic credit. In general, for a full unit of credit, an internship requires a total of 140 hours achieved through a combination of hours worked at the site and time spent on reflective assignments. In each discipline, the *Catalog* listing for 397 notes prerequisites, such as a minimal grade-point average or required class standing, as well as specific expectations for the internship and intellectual reflection. Each department also determines whether the internship course is letter-graded or pass/fail.

All internships for academic credit must be approved by the supervising faculty member and the department chair. The use of internship credit for a major may be limited by the department, but additional credits may be approved for elective credit. Students are encouraged to work with the Office of Career and Professional Development for assistance with searching and applying for internships.

View University-wide academic policies for undergraduate internships (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/student-policy/academic-affairs/internship>)

The Senior Project

Drawing on liberal study in the College's program of General Education and those understandings and skills learned through advanced disciplinary study, each senior undertakes a project appropriate to his or her field of study: a researched essay, statistical study, report on a laboratory experiment or field observation, gallery or stage presentation, computer program, or creative work. Some seniors elect to join their professors in research projects. Others design their own projects and through independent study follow their own intellectual passions. In some cases, those who have pursued two majors for advanced study might design one project that satisfies the capstone requirement in both disciplines simultaneously. In other cases, those with two majors might, owing to different disciplinary expectations, complete two distinct projects, one for each major. Students work with advisers to determine what is most feasible given their particular interests and major requirements. Through the Honors Program, students may elect to design their own course of study and senior project. All seniors find their study energetically supported by the university's resources, especially a teaching faculty dedicated to fostering independent study by undergraduates and a library faculty expert in supporting their research. All of the university's advanced instrumentation and research facilities are readily available to seniors for their research.

While disciplines in the College approach the senior project in different ways, the goal is the same: to hone skills of close reading, careful observation, quantitative analysis, forceful speaking, and persuasive writing through a project of the student's own choosing. Every project requires imaginative design at the outset and demands the persistence to see an extended task to completion. Exemplary senior projects are presented at the Stetson Undergraduate Research and Creative Arts Showcase each spring. Seniors also regularly present their work at conferences or publish with their faculty advisers in professional journals. Successfully completing a senior project is a capstone experience for all students in the College.

Majors

Bachelor of Arts

The College of Arts and Sciences offers Bachelor of Arts degrees in the following areas:

- American Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/american-studies/american-studies-ba>)
- Art History (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/art/art-history-ba>)
- Communication and Media Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/communication-media/communication-media-ba>)
- Digital Arts (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/digital-arts/digital-arts-ba>)
- Elementary Education (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/education/education-ba>)
- English (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/english/english-ba>)
- Environmental Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/environmental-science-studies/environmental-studies-ba>)
- General Studies in Education (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/education/general-studies-education>)
- Global Development (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/global-development/global-development-ba>)
- History (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history/history-ba>)
- International Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/international/international-studies-ba>)
- Philosophy (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/philosophy/philosophy-ba>)
- Political Science (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/political-science/political-science-ba>)
- Public Management (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/public-management/public-management-ba>)
- Religious Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/religious/religious-studies-ba>)
- Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/russian/russian-ba>)
- Social Science (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/social-science/social-science-ba>)
- Sociology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology-anthropology/sociology-ba>)
- Studio Art (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/art/studio-art-ba>)
- Theatre Arts (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/theatre-arts/theatre-arts-ba>)
- World Languages and Cultures - French and Francophone Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/french-francophone-concentration>)
- World Languages and Cultures - Hispanic Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/hispanic-studies-concentration>)
- World Languages and Cultures - German Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/german-studies-concentration>)

- World Languages and Cultures - Translator (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/translator-concentration>)

Bachelor of Science

The College offers Bachelor of Science degrees in the following areas:

- Aquatic and Marine Biology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/biology/aquatic-marine-biology-bs>)
- Applied Mathematics: Actuarial and Financial Mathematics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematics/applied-mathematics-actuarial-financial>)
- Applied Mathematics: Physics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematics/applied-mathematics-physics>)
- Applied Mathematics: Statistics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematics/applied-mathematics-statistics>)
- Biochemistry (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/chemistry/biochemistry-bs>)
- Biology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/biology/biology-bs>)
- Chemistry (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/chemistry/chemistry-bs>)
- Computer Information Systems (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/computer-science/computer-information-systems-bs>)
- Computer Science (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/computer-science/computer-science-bs>)
- Digital Arts (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/digital-arts/digital-arts-bs>)
- Economics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/economics/economics-bs>)
- Environmental Science (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/environmental-science-studies/environmental-science-bs>)
- Health Sciences (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/health-science/health-science-bs>)
- Mathematics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematics/mathematics-bs>)
- Molecular Biology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/biology/molecular-biology-bs>)
- Physics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/physics/physics-bs>)
- Physics: Applied Physics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/physics/physics-applied-physics-bs>)
- Physics: Biophysics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/physics/physics-biophysics-bs>)
- Psychology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/psychology/psychology-bs>)
- Public Health (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology-anthropology/public-health>)

A B.S. degree in Engineering may be earned through cooperative programs with other universities.

Special programs are maintained to advise and support students from various majors who are preparing themselves for law school, medical school, health-related fields, or public administration.

Minors

The minors available to students pursuing either B.A. or B.S. degrees include the following:

- Accounting (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/accounting-minor>)¹
- Africana Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-minors/africana/#minorstext>)
- American Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/american-studies/#minorstext>)
- Anthropology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology-anthropology/#minorstext>)
- Applied Statistics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/applied-statistics-minor>)¹
- Art History (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/art/#minorstext>)
- Asian Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-minors/asian/#minortext>)
- Biology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/biology/#minorstext>)
- Business Administration (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/business-administration-minor>)¹
- Business Systems and Analytics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/business-systems-analysis-minor>)¹
- Business Law (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/business-law-minor>)¹
- Chemistry (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/chemistry/#minorstext>)
- Communication and Media Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/communication-media/#minorstext>)
- Computer Science (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/computer-science/#minorstext>)
- Creative Writing (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/english/#minorstext>)
- Data Analytics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-minors/dataanalytics/#minorstext>)
- Digital Arts (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/digital-arts/#minorstext>)
- Economics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/economics/#minorstext>)

- Education (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/education/#minorstext>)
- English (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/english/#minorstext>)
- Entrepreneurship (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/entrepreneurship-minor>)¹
- Environmental Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/environmental-science-studies/#minorstext>)
- Family Enterprise (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/family-enterprise-minor>)¹
- Finance (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/finance-minor>)¹
- French (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/#minorstext>)
- Gender Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-minors/gender/#minorstext>)
- German (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/#minorstext>)
- Health Sciences (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/health-science/#minorstext>)
- History (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history/#minorstext>)
- International Business (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/international-business/#minorstext>)¹
- International Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/international/#minorstext>)
- Journalism (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-minors/journalism/#minorstext>)
- Latin American Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-minors/latin-american/#minorstext>)
- Management (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/management-minor>)¹
- Marketing (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/marketing-minor>)¹
- Mathematics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematics/#minorstext>)
- Music (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/music/general-minor-music>)²
- Philosophy (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/philosophy/#minorstext>)
- Physics (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/physics/#minorstext>)
- Political Science (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/political-science/#minorstext>)
- Psychology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/psychology/#minorstext>)
- Public Health Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology-anthropology/public-health-minor>)
- Religious Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/religious/#minorstext>)
- Russian (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/#minorstext>)
- Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/russian/#minorstext>)
- Sociology (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology-anthropology/#minorstext>)
- Spanish (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/world-languages-and-cultures/#minorstext>)
- Sport Business (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/business-administration/business-minors/sport-management-minor>)¹
- Studio Art (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/art/#minorstext>)
- Theatre Arts (<http://catalog.stetson.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/theatre-arts/#minorstext>)

¹ Administered through the School of Business Administration.

² Administered through the School of Music.

General Education

All students in the College of Arts and Sciences must meet General Education requirements in addition to specific requirements within the major area of study.

Each student must complete at least four writing or writing enhanced (WE) courses to complete the University Writing Requirement. At least two of these courses must be from General Education. Based upon Admissions application information, students may be placed in ENGL 100; ENGL 100 may be used to count toward the Writing requirement.

A single course may not be used to meet more than one of the General Education requirements, but a single course may count toward a General Education requirement and the student's major requirements. Students should check with their advisor regarding the eligibility of transfer credits to meet General Education requirements after students have enrolled at Stetson. A key component of a liberal education is to learn about the modes of inquiry from a diverse set of disciplines, so no more than 3 courses used to meet General Education requirements may come from a single department and at least 16 of the 32 units required for graduation must come from departments outside the department of the major.

For many majors, certain courses outside the major field of study are required. These courses are called "collateral requirements."

A student majoring in Education may count among the 32 units as many in the major as are required for completion of an approved program for teacher certification by the State of Florida.

Code	Title	Units
Foundations ¹		
Writing Requirement		
FSEM 100	First Year Seminar	1
Quantitative Reasoning (any Q course)		1
Junior Seminar		1
Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Natural World		5
Select five of the following: ²		
Creative Arts (any A course, or 4 - MUSC, MUSA or MUSE credit courses) ³		
Culture and Belief (any B course)		
Historical Inquiry (any H course)		
Individuals, Societies, and Social Systems (any S course)		
Modern Languages (any L course)		
Physical and Natural World (any P course)		
Personal and Social Responsibility		
Select any 'Stetson Values (V)' course, excluding JSEM		1
Total Units		9

Cultural Events/Campus Engagement

In addition to completing 32 course units, students join Stetson's intellectual and creative life outside the classroom by participating in at least 3 approved cultural events for each semester of enrollment at Stetson. These events include lectures by distinguished visitors, musical performances, plays, and art shows.

- ¹ Foundation courses may not be taken pass/fail.
- ² 1 unit each from 5 out of the 6 areas.
- ³ Course(s) must equal 1 unit.