College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

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Mission

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and service in the following disciplines: fine arts, humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and teacher education. For its own majors, as for those in the professional schools, the College strives to provide superior liberal arts education characterized by close interaction between teachers and learners. Its goals are to impart to each student a spirit of intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, abilities in writing and oral communication, aesthetic awareness and creativity, familiarity with human history and behavior, knowledge of languages and cultures, and an understanding of the bases of ethical behavior and the duties of citizenship. Believing in the centrality of liberal learning to the mission of a university, the College is committed to maintaining a diverse community of teacher-scholars of the highest quality and to providing an environment that encourages personal and professional growth. It considers teaching and research mutually enriching activities and strives to make its knowledge and expertise available to professional programs on campus and to the educational needs of society. Through its graduates and programs, the College contributes to the cultural, intellectual, and economic growth of the state and nation.

Undergraduate Degrees and Programs

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences awards the Bachelor of Arts degree as well as a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in various studio art disciplines. A student's Program of Study must total at least 120 semester hours of coursework and is comprised of four components: 1) general education requirements, 2) a major, 3) either a second major, minor, or supporting cognate studies (if required) and 4) electives. The minimum requirement for a major is 30 semester hours of coursework with at least 21 semester hours at the 300 level or above. The minimum requirement for a minor is 18 semester hours of coursework with at least 12 semester hours at the 300-level or above. The cognate studies option must be comprised of at least 21 semester hours with at least 12 semester hours at the 300-level or above. Specific requirements of each major and minor are provided in the appropriate departmental section of the catalog. At least 36 semester hours of a student's Program of Study must be at the 300-level or above. Please note that at least 25% of a student's major and minor must be earned at UAH.

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences offers programs in the following disciplines:

- Ancient and Medieval Studies (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/ams/)
- Art, Art History, and Design (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/art-art-history/#majorstext)
- Communication Arts (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/communication-arts/#majorstext)
- English (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/english/#majorstext)
- Film and Media Arts (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/music/film-and-media-arts-minor/)
- Global Studies (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/global-studies/)
- History (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/history/#majorstext)
- Justice and Equity Studies (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/justice-and-equity-studies/)
- Music (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/music/#majorstext)
- Philosophy (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/philosophy/#majorstext)
- Political Science (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/political-science/#majorstext)
- Psychology (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/psychology/#majorstext)
- Sociology (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/sociology/#majorstext)
- Theatre (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/theatre/)
- User Experience (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/english/user-experience-minor/)
- Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/sociology/womens-gender-studies-minor/#requirementstext)
- World Languages and Cultures (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/foreign-languages-literatures/#majorstext)
- Writing (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/colleges-departments/arts-humanities-social-sciences/english/writing/)

Academic Advising in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Academic advising strives to help you create plans that meet your educational and professional goals. We’re here to guide you through the university while connecting you to appropriate resources that help keep you on track along the way. To make connections with advising easier, we now have
specific advisors (https://www.uah.edu/ahs/academic-advising/) dedicated to your major. Your advisor is based on your first major. We will ensure that you progress through each of your degree programs.

The goals of academic advising include:

1. assisting students in planning academic goals
2. assisting students in their personal adjustment to the UAH campus
3. aiding students in the assessment of academic needs and in developing appropriate educational plans
4. explaining and clarifying graduation requirements as well as academic policies
5. facilitating student success

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