**Liberal Studies Major requirements:**

1. All classes must be from disciplines within the College of Liberal Arts:

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2. At least 2 disciplines must be represented in Plan of Study (see above list).

3. Plan must total 45-52 credits; must have at least 27 credits of upper-division coursework; and WIC.

4. Maximum of 20 previously completed credits in the plan of study; up to 6 credits internship/project/independent study allowed in plan.

5. Must have a 2.3 or better cumulative GPA in Liberal Studies courses; no S/U grading allowed in major.

6. **Liberal Studies Degree Plan must go through the process for approval.**

To find a Writing Intensive Course, visit the Ecampus Schedule of Classes: (https://wic.oregonstate.edu/college-liberal-arts-wic-courses) and search through all of the terms available for a WIC class to include in your major.

**You may not S/U any of your major requirements**

**Course substitutions must be approved by your Liberal Studies advisor in advance of completion of the course. When approved, your advisor will update your MyDegrees.**

Approved:

Date:
Liberal Studies Plan of Study – Essay Instructions

The Liberal Studies program’s specific mission is to facilitate the development and implementation of an interdisciplinary, thematically-based learning program selected by the student.

Students are required to submit a 3-page essay along with their Plan of Study to gain entry into the Liberal Studies Major.

The primary purpose of the essay is to indicate:

1) What your interests are
2) Why they interest you
3) Which disciplines fall within your interests
4) How do the chosen disciplines connect to each other
5) Identify theme and how it relates to your disciplines
6) What you hope to do with this major in the future

Reflect on OSU’s Learning Goals for Graduates (LGGS), and how your selected courses will help you obtain the skills and knowledge required of all Liberal Studies graduates.

- Competency and Knowledge in Multiple Fields
- Critical Thinking
- Pluralism and Cultural Legacies
- Collaboration
- Social Responsibility and Sustainability
- Communication
- Self-Awareness and Life-Long Learning

Your essay should be:

- Representative of your writing skills and indicative of the academic maturity needed for self-directed, goal-oriented learning.
- Typed, double-spaced, with 1” margins all around
- In a standard 10 or 12-point font
- Free of grammar and spelling errors (have someone proof-read it)
- Marked with your name, Theme title, and date on the top right hand corner of the paper (MLA style).

You have access to the online Writing Center for help.

The result of your plan should be a thematic interdisciplinary field of study that will help you examine and make sense of social, economic, political, and cultural processes and institutions, as well as to make contributions to society through your acquired skills, insights and leadership.