The Special Programs in Liberal Studies, Humanities Concentration, is an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary online program. The program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to earn their baccalaureate degree online by gaining a broad-based understanding of the humanities. Upon completing the Special Programs in Liberal Studies Humanities Concentration students will be able to:

- Think critically and analytically.
- Communicate clearly and effectively.
- Understand and explain interconnections among the Humanities disciplines.
- Appreciate the wide range of human experience.
- Achieve increased depth of knowledge in one of the four categories of the Humanities: Literature, Fine Arts, Philosophy/Religion/Ethics, Historical Perspectives.

**Social Sciences**

The Special Programs in Liberal Studies, Social Sciences Concentration, is an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary online program. The program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to earn their baccalaureate degree online by gaining a broad-based understanding of the social sciences. Upon completing the Special Programs in Liberal Studies Social Sciences Concentration students will be able to:

- Communicate clearly and effectively in an appropriate professional style.
- Read texts with careful attention.
- Think critically and analytically.
- Connect learning in the humanities, social sciences, and other fields to their professional lives.

### Programs of Study

#### Humanities

The Special Programs in Liberal Studies, Humanities Concentration, is an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary online program. The program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to earn their baccalaureate degree online by gaining a thorough understanding of the humanities, the interconnections among them, and their relevance to individuals and to modern society. The humanities are broadly defined to include those disciplines that study people—their ideas, their history, their literature, their artifacts, and their values. The program will investigate individual people in their solitude, life together in societies, and models of and for reality that constitute cultures. Individual courses will tackle the Big Questions that have been the traditional province of the humanities such as “What makes a life worth living?” The program is designed to enhance the student’s ability to:

- Think critically and analytically.
- Communicate clearly and effectively.
- Understand and explain interconnections among the Humanities disciplines.
- Appreciate the wide range of human experience.

#### Social Sciences

The Special Programs in Liberal Studies, Social Sciences Concentration, is an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary online program. The program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to earn their baccalaureate degree online by combining course work from the humanities, social sciences, and other fields in a curriculum that emphasizes the skills and knowledge that will be helpful in the workplace. Upon completing the Special Programs in Liberal Studies Social Sciences Concentration students will be able to:

- Communicate clearly and effectively in an appropriate professional style.
- Read texts with careful attention.
- Think critically and analytically.
- Connect learning in the humanities, social sciences, and other fields to their professional lives.
Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies

- Humanities
- Professional Studies
- Social Sciences

Students in the BLS Program who have previously completed a foreign language through the 102 level, with a subsequent learning gap of five years or more, may apply to the program for permission to use culture-track courses in English (from a list pre-approved by the College Appeals Committee) as substitutions for the intermediate-level 203 and 204 language classes.

See the Special Programs in Liberal Studies Major (https://catalog.uncc.edu/arts-sciences/special-programs-liberal-studies-major) for requirements.