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Academic Year
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Humanities

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Certificate of Achievement Requirements

- Completion of all major courses with a C grade or higher.

Note: A maximum of six quarter units may be transferred from other academic institutions.

Humanities

Certificate of Achievement

The Humanities Program educates students in the ways of thinking and acting from a global and interdisciplinary perspective by fostering engagement with the diverse, dynamic and interconnected products of human thought and creativity. The study of Humanities allows students to develop a foundational understanding of personal and community values, cultural views, religious beliefs and aesthetic practices and theories and how these shape the way we view the world and ourselves. The Certificate of Achievement in Humanities demonstrates the student's solid background in the critical and empathetic thinking skills that mark the deliberate thought processes and formation of complex questions without definitive answers that are the hallmark of the Humanities. This certificate allows students to acquire lifelong practices that foster true knowledge as distinct from an aggregate of information and facts. These skills and competencies are applicable across disciplines and will enrich a wide variety of majors and professional careers.

Program Learning Outcomes: Upon completion, students will be able to

- Synthesize critical, empathetic, creative, cooperative and independent thinking skills
- Demonstrate the ability, both orally and in writing, to analyze meaning within various modes of cultural production in relation to their political, economic, social and religious context
- Formulate knowledge of the deep connections between and within the complexities of diverse historical periods and cultural traditions as a framework for a dynamic understanding of the contemporary world
- Develop the practice of thinking through moral and ethical problems and examining one's own assumptions
- Deepen sources of wisdom through a complex understanding of how others have dealt with failures, successes, adversities and triumphs
- Cultivate the capacity for personal, as well as social change

1. Meet the requirements for this certificate level.
2. Complete the following.

Complete five courses:

20

HUMI 1	Creative Minds (4)	
or HUMI 1H	Creative Minds - HONORS (4)	
HUMI 2	But is it Art? Questions and Criticism (4)	
HUMI 5	Storytelling in American Culture (4)	
HUMI 6	Popular Culture (4)	
HUMI 7	The Arts and the Human Spirit (4)	
HUMI 9	Introduction to Comparative Religion (4)	
or HUMI 9H	Introduction to Comparative Religion - HONORS (4)	
HUMI 10	Global Religious Perspectives: Judaism, Christianity and Islam (4)	
HUMI 15	Discussion on the Arts (4)	
HUMI 16	Arts, Ideas and Values (4)	
HUMI 18	History as Mystery: A Critique of Western Perspectives in a Global Context (4)	
or HUMI 18H	History as Mystery: A Critique of Western Perspectives in a Global Context - HONORS (4)	
HUMI 20	The Greek Achievement (4)	
	Total Units Required	20