

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY FULLERTON  
 DEPARTMENT OF LIBERAL STUDIES **INTERDISCIPLINARY THEMATIC PLAN**  
**[for students with catalog year prior to 2012]**

Student's Name	CWID	Semester Student Entered Program	GRADE	TERM
<b>I. CORE COURSES (27 UNITS)</b>				
LBST 300	Introduction to Liberal Studies (3)		_____	_____
LBST 301	Inquiry and Composition in Liberal Studies (3) <i>(fulfills CSUF upper-division writing course requirement)</i>		_____	_____
LBST 302A	Historical Dimension of Liberal Studies (3)		_____	_____
LBST 302B	Historical Dimension of Liberal Studies (3)		_____	_____
LBST 303	Liberal Studies in the Humanities and Arts (3)		_____	_____
LBST 304	Liberal Studies in the Sciences (3)		_____	_____
LBST 305	Liberal Studies in the Social Sciences (3)		_____	_____
LBST/PHIL 401	Knowledge in the Arts and Sciences (3)		_____	_____
<b>One of the following Senior Seminars: LBST 485-492</b>				
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**II. PERSONALIZED COORDINATED PROGRAM (21 UNITS)**

Interdisciplinary Theme: \_\_\_\_\_

**COURSEWORK:**

<u>Department</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TERM</u>
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PERSONALIZED COORDINATED PROGRAM APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

Dated Signature of Liberal Studies Advisor

**III. Interdisciplinary Research (3 Units)**

The 3 units of interdisciplinary research can be earned in either of two ways: by taking LBST 482 Senior Research Seminar (Option A) or by completing a Senior Project via Independent Study (Option B).

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<b>Option A</b>	<b>LBST 482 Senior Research Seminar</b>			_____	_____	
<b>Option B</b>	<b>Senior Project via Independent Study</b>					
<u>Department</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Project Supervisor</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TERM</u>
_____	499	_____	Independent Study	1	_____	_____
_____	499	_____	Independent Study	2	_____	_____

**Liberal Studies Website:** <http://hss.fullerton.edu/liberal/>

**Liberal Studies Student Association:** <http://www.facebook.com/lssacsuf>

## **INTERDISCIPLINARY THEMATIC PLAN: GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The Personalized Coordinated Program consists of upper-division coursework chosen in consultation with a faculty advisor from Liberal Studies and directed toward an interdisciplinary problem, theme, or issue. To promote an interdisciplinary approach, students take no more than 9 units of coursework from a single department and no more than 15 units from one of the three disciplinary areas: arts and humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences.

### **For Students who choose Interdisciplinary Research Option B: Senior Project via Independent Study**

Senior Projects consist of a written thesis or creative work on a topic that relates to the interdisciplinary theme of the Personalized Coordinated Program. It requires completion of three units of Independent Study (499), distributed over the last two semesters prior to graduation. In the next to the last semester, one unit of 499 is devoted to the development of the senior project proposal. In order to register for 499, students need the approval of a full-time faculty member at CSUF who has agreed to act as project supervisor, and a registration permit from that faculty member's department. To successfully complete this one unit of 499, the senior project proposal must be approved and signed by both the project supervisor and a Liberal Studies advisor. The senior project proposal must include a clear description of the topic, a well-defined research plan, an annotated bibliography, and a specific schedule for the completion of the project, including realistic due dates for drafts or other indications of progress. In the last semester prior to graduation, the project should be completed by taking two more units of 499 with the project supervisor. If unusual circumstances warrant, a student may take all three units of 499 in a single semester with the joint approval of the project supervisor and a Liberal Studies advisor.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS BEGINNING THEIR JUNIOR YEAR**

**CORE COURSES:** In the first semester that you take upper division courses (typically your junior year), begin with LBST 300 and LBST 302A. You must complete these courses before taking LBST 302B.

#### **First Semester:**

- ◆ LBST 300 Introduction to Liberal Studies
- ◆ LBST 302A Historical Dimension of Liberal Studies

During your **first or second semester**, you should also take

- ◆ LBST 301 Inquiry and Composition in Liberal Studies

#### **Second Semester:**

- ◆ LBST 302B Historical Dimension of Liberal Studies

LBST 301 and LBST 302B are prerequisites for the third semester courses LBST 303, 304 and 305.

#### **Third Semester:**

- ◆ LBST 303 Liberal Studies in the Humanities and Arts
- ◆ LBST 304 Liberal Studies in the Sciences
- ◆ LBST 305 Liberal Studies in the Social Sciences

Before taking LBST 401, you must complete **either** LBST 303 and LBST 304  
**or** LBST 304 and LBST 305.

#### **Fourth Semester:**

- ◆ LBST 401 Knowledge in the Arts and Sciences
- ◆ **One** of the Senior Seminars LBST 485-492
- ◆ LBST 482 (Option A) or 499 (Option B)

**GENERAL EDUCATION:** We strongly recommend that you consult a Liberal Studies advisor before enrolling in any General Education courses. To make an appointment, please contact the Liberal Studies Office in H-230: **657-278-2794**