MASTER OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES

Featuring an interdisciplinary, values-oriented curriculum, the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies provides students with an enriching and comprehensive educational experience. The program offers courses that range from the classical era to the post-modern age, spanning across subjects such as art, literature, religion, history, politics, and international affairs.

“Getting the [MALS] degree opened up a whole new chapter in my life. Without it I might never have had the courage to strike out on my own and follow my heart to do what I really want to. It re-invigorated me and gave me the tools for a new direction.”
— Jill Marie, CNN Correspondent and Georgetown MALS Alumna

DOCTOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES

The Doctor of Liberal Studies program provides students with a well-rounded education that helps them achieve intellectual advancement, enhanced critical thinking abilities, and a greater cultural understanding. Georgetown's program is the first doctorate in Liberal Studies in the United States, and the first nontraditional doctorate at Georgetown University. This interdisciplinary program draws from various subject areas to provide students with the skills they need to achieve their personal and professional goals.

Students explore philosophical, cultural, and social concepts through reading, reflection, writing, and discussion, providing ample opportunities for them to interact with and learn from their peers and faculty members.

CURRICULUM

- Full-time and part-time enrollment options
- Degree requirements:
  - Complete 36 credits of coursework (including four foundational courses)
  - Pass both the written and oral sections of the comprehensive examinations
  - Successfully complete and defend a doctoral thesis

With a strong emphasis on educating the whole person, the program promotes inquiry, intellect, and curiosity, while striving to provide students with the sought-after qualities and skills that are in high demand in today's marketplace. The program does not have any formal concentrations; rather, students have the opportunity to design their own program, tailoring their studies to align with their interests and aspirations.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Visit our admissions page for more information about application deadlines and applying online.

TUITION

Educational expenses are assessed each semester based on the number of credits for which students are registered. Please visit the SCS website for the most current tuition rates.

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