

MASTER OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES (MA)

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The **Master of Arts in Liberal Studies** is designed to provide students the opportunity to study modern Western society, culture, and thought through an intensive interdisciplinary examination of their origins and through comparison with other societies and cultures. The curriculum provides students with an integrated, sequential exploration of central works and topics in the liberal arts. The major focus is on the social sciences and humanities with attention paid to the development and impact of scientific thought and technological developments.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The Master of Arts in Liberal Studies requires 30 graduate credits to complete the degree. There are seven required courses, two electives, and a master's essay. All courses must be completed with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 (B).

Required Courses:

- Roots of Modern Culture
- Roots of Modern Society
- Modern Culture
- Modern Society
- Interaction of Western and Non-Western Societies
- Ancient Roots of Modern Thought
- Seminar: Values and Contemporary Issues
- Master's Essay Tutorial

The program is structured to facilitate the completion of all coursework in two years. Students are required to take two courses each semester, allowing them to complete the program within four semesters. In addition, students are encouraged to enroll in one elective during a summer term and one during their fourth semester.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0

Students with a cumulative average below 3.0 may be considered for admissions after an interview with the Liberal Studies Program Coordinator.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Graduate Application:

The application must be completed online at www.csi.cuny.edu/graduatestudies.

Transcripts:

Applicants must request official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended. If you are currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution, have one transcript sent now and another sent when you complete the courses that you are taking. Applicants who have been enrolled at CSI do not need to request a CSI transcript; the Office of Recruitment and Admissions will obtain a copy.

Application Fee:

A non-refundable application fee - please forward a check or money order payable to the College of Staten Island. If you are applying for Spring 2019, the cost is \$125.00. If you are applying **after** Spring 2019, the cost is \$75.00. Veterans are exempt from paying the application fee. Veterans must provide proof of their Veteran/Military status in order to be waived from paying the application fee.

TOEFL OR IELTS:

The TOEFL or IELTS exam is a requirement of students for whom English is a second language.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): Minimum required score is 79 (Internet). For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit the TOEFL website at www.ets.org. Our institutional code is 2778.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS): We will only accept the academic exam scores. Minimum required score: 6.5 (overall band). For additional information or to register for the exam, please visit the IELTS website at www.ielts.org.

All documents must be submitted to the Office of Recruitment and Admissions.

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