

School of Arts & Letters



PROGRAMS OF STUDY



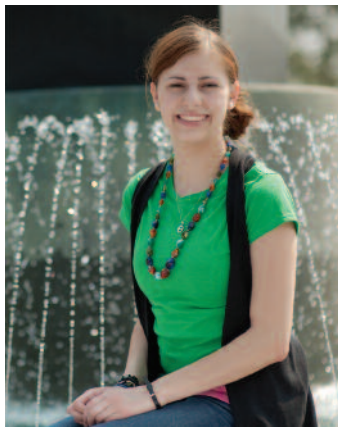
American Studies
Communication Arts
Criminal Justice
Education – Early Childhood Elementary Education
Education – Middle Childhood Education
Education – Secondary Education Certification
English
French
History
Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies
International Business/ Modern Language
Philosophy
Political Science
Psychology
Public Administration/ Government Service
Religious Studies
Social Work
Sociology
Spanish
U.S. History and Government and Politics
World History and Government and Politics

SCHOOL OF ARTS & LETTERS. Still wondering what you can do with a degree in Arts & Letters? Just about anything you want to do! Majors within the School of Arts & Letters prepare students for entry into the workplace or post-graduate and professional programs. Most important, the programs within Arts & Letters provide students with a broad liberal arts education that prepares them to live a rewarding and satisfying life. Whether you major or minor in Arts & Letters, we will help you fulfill your academic curiosities and goals. Arts & Letters is the traditional heart and soul of the university. We will teach you how to read analytically, think critically and write purposefully. We will teach you how to research diligently and experiment carefully. We will offer you facts, but also abstract ideas, models and problems, and then ask you to apply the concepts to practical concerns and situations.

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School of Arts & Letters highlights and features:

- 100% of Saint Francis graduates (class of 2009) from the Education program passed the state certifying examination.
- A majority of graduates from our Psychology program achieve acceptance to their top-choice graduate school.
- Co-curricular involvement opportunities with an active Social Work Club.
- Highly published faculty, including articles, books, CDs, DVDs and exhibitions.
- Opportunities for hands-on experience for Education majors through our community Reading Clinic.



Allison Gauthier, 2011
English and
Political Science/International Studies

Allison has participated in two alternate spring break trips—to Honduras and to the Dominican Republic—on which she worked in an orphanage and taught English in a public school. She travels to Guatemala this summer to take part in a study abroad program through the University of Arizona that allows her to take coursework, as well as to teach English to grade school students. She is the 2010 recipient of the Kathryn Weixel Award, presented to the outstanding English or Communication Arts major at SFU. She also is a member of the University's Honors Program. Allison is treasurer for the Hugs for Honduras program and has been a member of the executive board of Gamma Sigma Sigma, a service sorority on campus.

School Vision:

The School of Arts & Letters strives to offer premier programs in the Humanities, Behavioral Sciences and Education. We define ourselves by our academic programs, student successes and faculty achievements. The school creates an atmosphere that fosters mutual respect and acceptance of the diversity of its people and programs. The primary goals of faculty are teaching and advising students. Our majors, minors and programs offer relevant, attractive and challenging courses, curriculums and co-curricular activities to prepare students for success in various future endeavors. The ultimate goal of the School of Arts & Letters is to provide faculty and students with a distinctive academic home of first choice.

Competitive Advantages:

The faculty members of Arts & Letters are second to none. The professors have studied and earned degrees at some of the finest universities in China, Europe, Britain, Canada and the United States. They have brought world-class training to Loretto. The faculty not only create knowledge, but they teach

knowledge and skills. And they do it well. Peers and students have bestowed 33 teaching awards upon our faculty during the past two decades.

Unique Opportunities:

The school's more than 370 majors, the second highest in the University, find plenty of opportunity to grow as scholars and citizens. Several students and their faculty mentors have earned Arts & Letters Student Research Grants that provided financial support to conduct research or deliver research papers at local, regional and national conferences. The Communication Arts program features a state-of-the-art electronic media lab. Unsurprising for an English department that has a managing editor of a literature journal and a renowned book reviewer. Choose from among Spanish, French, Italian, German, Latin, and American sign language as your second language, or perhaps consider a minor in Medical Spanish. Watch Café Voltaire, Hand-drumming, World Drumming Ensemble, and Star Theatre activities of the Fine Arts Department on Facebook and then imagine the possibilities. History and Political Science offer numerous internships, including the Washington Internship Center and Ann Eppard Congressional program. With the Ethics Institute and Consortium for Education Resources on Islamic Studies, the Philosophy/Religious Studies Department emphasizes student community service and undergraduate research.

Check out opportunities in Sociology and Criminal Justice on YouTube.

REACHING HIGHER

Joel Alex, '07, religious studies and philosophy, joined the Peace Corps and serves as an environmental volunteer in the Dominican Republic. He also offers educational programs on health, sanitation, and AIDS awareness and prevention. Joel plans to further his education, perhaps earning a dental degree.

GOING FAR

Ian Butcher '08
English, minor in History
Completing master's degree in English from Oregon State University, serves as a Teaching Assistant. Plans to earn a Ph.D. at Duquesne University.

Erin Reifsteck '09
Psychology,
minor in Neuroscience
Graduate school in Sports Psychology at UNC, Greensboro.

Malissa Cadwallader '05
English/Communications & Literature
M.A. in Pacific and International Affairs. Served in El Salvador with the Peace Corps.

Katie Godshall '09
Psychology, minor in English
Completing a program at Tulane University to prepare for a career in Equine Therapy.

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