# Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

Prospective students often ask how long the **Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies** takes to complete, what the program costs and if financial aid is available, and if the degree is awarded through UofSC.

You can find answers to these questions below.

- Completion time varies based on already accumulated general education credits and courses necessary to complete the major concentration. The degree requires 120 credit hours. It is up to the student and advisor to decide the appropriate number of hours to take each semester.
- Students are eligible to receive applicable federal and state financial aid assistance. Current fees and tuition rates can be viewed at www.palmettocollege. sc.edu.
- The degree is awarded by the University of South Carolina and meets the same rigorous standards and accreditation as any traditional degree from UofSC.

## **Prepare for Your Future**

The online UofSC Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies program prepares students for success in several critical study disciplines through a multidisciplinary program you will design with an experienced advisor.

The degree requires 120 credit hours, including general education and elective requirements, 27 hours of major-level coursework, and 12 hours of coursework in a cognate field of study.

# Why should I complete a bachelor's degree in liberal studies?

At the heart of a liberal arts education is a broad core curriculum that forms the basis of practically all other areas of study. A bachelor of arts in Liberal Studies degree allows you to address your interests, offering the opportunity for study in one of two fields: social and behavioral sciences or arts and humanities. There is a critical need for people who can manage and solve problems, and who can deal with two certainties of the immediate future: ambiguity and change. These attributes are essential for functioning creatively and effectively in the real world.

# Why should I complete a degree online from UofSC through Palmetto College?

The programs are developed and taught by the same professors who teach statewide in the nationally renowned UofSC system. As a Palmetto College student, you'll have access to the university's academic resources. And best of all, when you're finished with the program, you'll graduate with a degree from a top-notch, nationally recognized university!

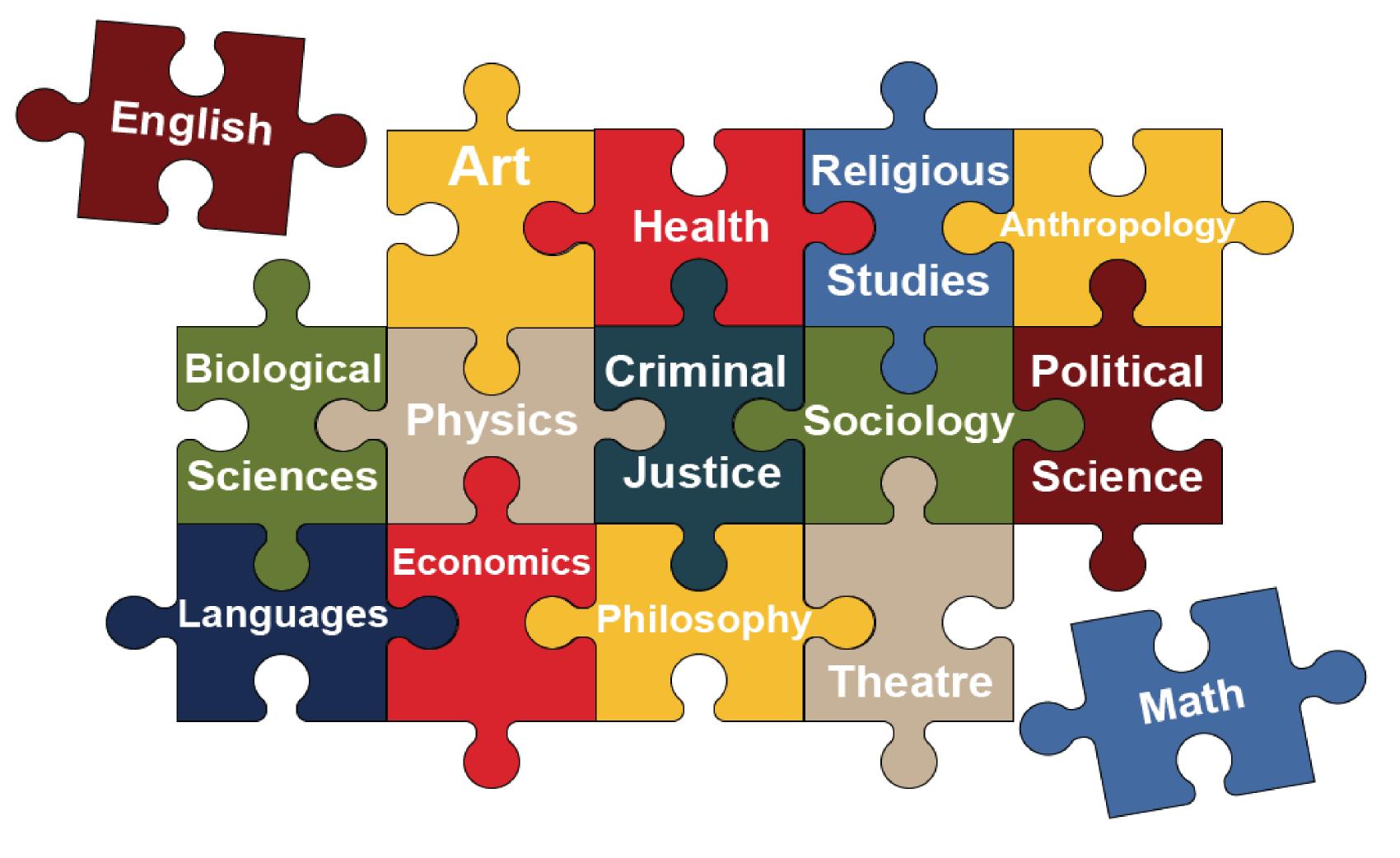
#### **For More Information**

# **USC Palmetto College Enrollment Services**

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## **Prerequisites and Requirements**

# To apply for this online degree program, students must have:

- 45-60 credit hours from a regionally accredited institution
- Minimum 2.0 GPA
- Recommended completion of the following courses:
  - Composition
  - Composition and Literature
  - Public Speaking
  - Natural Science with a Lab
  - Social or Behavioral Science
  - Humanities

#### **Curriculum**

Our liberal studies program allows you to customize your bachelor's degree to meet your educational, career, or personal goals by selecting two academic disciplines best suited for you, or from our list of popular emphases.

Your degree may combine any two disciplines and one cognate within each emphasis OR you may create your own emphasis.

### **Popular Discipline Emphases:**

- Arts & Society Emphasis
- Public Health Emphasis
- History & Politics Emphasis
- Human Studies Emphasis
- Cultural Studies Emphasis
- Professional Studies Emphasis