



# Next Steps To Choosing Your Major 2008-09

# University College Degree Programs

## University College provides unique options for all types of students

- Students who want to build his/her own program of study (*see below*)
- Students who are experiencing change of interests or career goals (*see back*)
- People looking to acquire marketable skills to quickly prepare them for the workforce or enhance their job skills
- Adult students with busy schedules
- Returning students looking to finish their degree

## Required Grade Point Average

- Student must have completed at least 20 semester-hours at UT
- **Required minimum 2.0 grade point average**
- Students must meet with an Academic Adviser and complete an "Application for Change in College"

## Degrees

- Department of Interdisciplinary and Special Programs (ISP) houses the Bachelor degree programs offered by University College
- Adult Liberal Studies
- Individualized Programs (B.A. or B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies)

## More Information

- These degree programs are interdisciplinary and oriented to students' unique individual needs
- The Portfolio Development Program, CLEP Testing, Internships, and Field Experience programs are intended for accelerated degree programs for non-traditional students

## Make an Appointment

- University College Student Services
- Rocket Hall 1750, Main Campus
- Phone 419.530.3142



[www.utoledo.edu/ucollege](http://www.utoledo.edu/ucollege)

### **UTLC Gateway Programs**

RH 1400 / 419.530.1250

[www.utoledo.edu/utlc/gateway](http://www.utoledo.edu/utlc/gateway)

### **Career Services**

SU 1532 / 419.530.4341

[www.toledo.edu/utlc/career](http://www.toledo.edu/utlc/career)

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**Individualized Degree Program** allows students who have completed 20 semester hours of college coursework to earn a bachelor's degree through a nontraditional plan of study designed by the student with guidance from an academic adviser. As with any college major, there are general requirements that must be met. However, individualized programs let students pursue special academic areas of interest that are unavailable through established university programs. Transfer students can work with an adviser to make the most of their existing college credits and apply them to their program of study. Students enjoy the benefits of flexibility, individual attention to their needs, personalized advising, access to all of UT's academic resources, and the ability to use UT classes to best reflect their academic and career goals and needs. This degree can be completed 100 percent online depending on your focus.

### Individualized Degree Programs Requirements and Options

The University Undergraduate Core Curriculum requirements, detailed in the General Section of The University of Toledo Undergraduate Catalog, must be fulfilled by all baccalaureate degree students. In fulfilling The University of Toledo Core Curriculum University College baccalaureate degree students must meet the following specific requirements:

- One English Literature elective
- One Philosophy elective
- One Political Science elective, which is
- related to American Government or
- one American History elective
- One Economics elective
- One elective from Anthropology,
- Geography, Psychology or Sociology
- One Speech elective

You will build a program of study by creating an area of emphasis with a UT academic adviser. Together, you will match student interest, background and skills with UT curriculum to create a program of study fulfilling remaining graduation requirements. This program is interdisciplinary in nature. Common focus areas include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Workforce Issues
- Marketing and Communications
- Wellness and Health Promotion
- Social and Behavioral Studies
- Sports Administration
- Helping and Health Issues
- Community Programming and Development
- Course work to complement a technical background
- Or new emerging industries and professions

#### Other Degree Requirements:

Forty semester hours must be completed in upper-division courses (numbered 3000 or 4000). Students must complete a minimum of 30 semester hours of work in residence as a University College student. The minimum number of approved credit hours required for completion of a baccalaureate degree from University College is 124 semester hours and may be more, depending upon the agreed program content.

**Adult Liberal Studies** program offers students a well-rounded and student-driven curriculum of seminars that explore events and attitudes through critical thinking and interaction with other adult students. Students integrate their wealth of knowledge and real-world experiences with formal learning to meet their personal learning goals and gain the rewards of academic achievement. UT's Adult Liberal Studies program includes topical seminars in the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences that provide academic credit. These look at a wide variety of studies including anthropology, art, drama, geography, history, literature, music, philosophy, political science and sociology. Students benefit from taking a wide scope of subjects. Adult students with no previous college have the option of accelerating this degree program through CLEP testing for core curriculum requirements. Students also pick a concentration related to an area that meets their professional or personal goals. This degree can be completed 100 percent online, in addition to the traditional classroom setting.

### Adult Liberal Studies Degree Requirements and Options

#### **UT Core**

Orientation 1  
One math course or CLEP Test 3  
English Comp I 3  
English Comp II 3

#### **University College Core**

ALS 1900 Introductory Seminar  
ALS 2500 Interdisciplinary Approach to Research  
Humanities General Education 9 or CLEP  
Social Science General Education 9 or CLEP  
Natural Science General Education 9 or CLEP

#### **Liberal Studies Core**

ALS 3040 Social Science Seminar 12  
ALS 3050 Humanities Seminar 12  
ALS 3060 Natural Science Seminar 12  
Concentration\*\* (3000-4000 level) 12  
ALS 4910 Senior Thesis\*\* 4

#### **Electives**

Courses electives are selected in consultation with adviser. Many of these may be fulfilled by transfer credit if applicable.

#### **Alternative College Credit Options**

Students may gain credit through CLEP Testing, portfolio development and credit by exam; students need to ask an adviser to learn how alternative credit would best work in their program of study.

#### **\*\*Area of Concentration and Senior Thesis**

Students are required to complete a minimum of three classes (nine hours) of upper-division courses (3000/4000) that are associated with an area of academic investigation or with a knowledge base that is related in theoretical content. The senior thesis is the capstone requirement of the adult liberal studies program. It is a four credit hour project undertaken with a faculty member as the thesis adviser. Students should seek the advice of an academic adviser and must turn in the appropriate paperwork before enrolling in this final requirement. Students are expected to integrate their thesis theme with their concentration courses.

#### **Honors Program**

ALS also offers an optional Honors Program that provides a valuable foundation of writing and research for students who want to be admitted into advanced graduate or professional programs or for those wanting a stimulating learning experience.