

# Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS)

## Courses

### **LAS 110. Experience UIC. 1 hour.**

Introduction to campus and college resources that support transition to university life and foster a sense of belonging. Strategies for developing academic and professional goals, engaging with classmates and faculty, and attaining academic success. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. Strongly recommended for LAS first-year students. Field trips outside of class hours required.

### **LAS 120. Career Readiness and Major Exploration. 1 hour.**

Support for LAS undeclared students to align their skills, strengths, interests, values and motivations to make informed decisions about their academic and career paths. Course Information: Extensive computer use required. Taught over 8 weeks. Support for undeclared second-semester first-year students in their major exploration. Prerequisite(s): Open only to freshmen.

### **LAS 200. LAS Career Success and Professional Development. 1 hour.**

Strategies and tools to promote career readiness, articulating the value of an LAS degree, and building a professional network. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. Previously listed as LAS 101. Extensive computer use required. Meets eight weeks of the semester.

### **LAS 289. LAS Internship. 1-3 hours.**

An opportunity to connect internship experiences to future career interests and goals through development and exploration of professional identity, best practices of professionalism and networking, and understanding of workplace cultures. Course Information: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grading only. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours.

An internship must be secured before enrolling in the course. Some sections may be offered fully online. Use of a computer and internet access are required for online sections. A high speed connection, while not required, is strongly suggested. Credit cannot be applied toward the major. Credit earned in course counts toward the limit on credit for internships. One internship course per semester is allowed. Prerequisite(s): A cumulative grade point average of 2.50, completion of 30 hours of course work; transfer students must have completed 12 hours of coursework at UIC. Approval by the LAS Internship Program Office.

### **LAS 294. Topics in Liberal Arts and Sciences. 3 hours.**

Study of a specific intermediate topic in the liberal arts. Course Information: May be repeated for credit if topic is different for each registration. Students may register for more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): Consent of the instructor.

### **LAS 296. Independent Study in Liberal Arts and Sciences. 1-3 hours.**

Individual study and other special projects supervised by a faculty member. Course Information: No more than 16 semester hours of independent study credit in any discipline may apply toward the degree. Prerequisite(s): Approval of the Department.

### **LAS 299. Liberal Arts and Sciences Study Abroad. 0-18 hours.**

Provides credit for foreign study. Student's proposal for study abroad must have prior approval of the major department and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences office. Final determination of credit is made on the student's completion of the work. Course Information: May be repeated. A maximum of 36 hours per academic year is allowed, for a total of 48 hours, all of which must be earned within one calendar year. Prerequisite(s): Approval of the student's major department and the College office, and the Study Abroad Office.

### **LAS 490. International Student Exchange Program. 0-18 hours.**

The Student Exchange Program enables the reciprocal exchange of students between UIC and colleges or universities in other countries. There are a variety of programs tailored to meet the needs of both graduate and undergraduate students. Course Information: May be repeated for a maximum of 36 hours per academic year or for a total of 48 hours, all of which must be earned within one calendar year. Determination of the number of credits to be granted is part of the proposal approval process. Students from other UIC Colleges and Schools are eligible for the program. For more information, visit the Study Abroad Office website at <https://studyabroad.uic.edu/>. Prerequisite(s): Approval of the student's major department, the LAS College office, and the Study Abroad Office. Consent of the Instructor.

### **LAS 492. Topics in Sustainability. 3 or 4 hours.**

An interdisciplinary approach to current issues in sustainability and transportation. Topics may vary, but will include climate change/environmental, technological, societal and economic impacts, and programs/policies for sustainability. Course Information: May be repeated if topics vary. Field work required.

### **LAS 493. Topics in Energy. 3 or 4 hours.**

An interdisciplinary approach to issues in energy. Topics will include energy storage, electricity systems, energy technology, economics of energy, life cycle analysis, climate and environmental impact, and energy and environmental policy. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary.

### **LAS 494. Topics in Cultural Studies. 3 or 4 hours.**

An interdisciplinary approach to a current cultural debate. Topics will vary. Course Information: 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary. Taught at the Field Museum.

### **LAS 495. The Newberry Library Undergraduate Seminar. 6 hours.**

Seminar with a topic related to the holdings of the Newberry Library. Classes held in Newberry Library. Topics vary. Course Information: May be repeated if topics vary. Previously listed as LAS 395. Students are required to conduct research at the Newberry Library beyond designated class hours. Pre-tour of the Newberry is recommended. Prerequisite(s): Consent of UIC's Newberry Library seminar coordinator.