Humanities (HUM) Courses

HUM 1203. Medical Humanities and Ethics. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = HUMA 1301)
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. The practice of medicine has long been considered both an art and a science. Through examination of texts in the medical humanities and health care ethics, this course explores the art of medicine, the meaning of illness, and what it means to practice medicine, which includes the interrelationship of professional identity formation and ethics.

HUM 2023. Introduction to the Humanities I. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = HUMA 1301)
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. An introductory survey of the important aesthetic works, ideas, social structures, and other cultural productions of Western Civilization from the Paleolithic through the Medieval eras. This course will employ an interdisciplinary approach designed to acquaint students with major cultural modes in Western Civilization with a particular focus on aesthetic works and the dominant critical approaches used to address them. May be applied toward the Core Curriculum requirement in Creative Arts. Generally offered: Spring.

HUM 2033. Introduction to the Humanities II. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = HUMA 1302)
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. An introductory survey of the important aesthetic works, ideas, social structures, and other cultural productions of Western Civilization from the Renaissance through the Present. This course will employ an interdisciplinary approach designed to acquaint students with major cultural modes in Western Civilization with a particular focus on aesthetic works and the dominant critical approaches used to address them. May be applied toward the Core Curriculum requirement in Creative Arts.

HUM 2053. History of Film. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = HUMA 1315)
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. An introductory survey of the history, criticism, and cultural importance of film in Western Culture. This course will focus on the development of film as a medium for cultural production including a comparative analysis between film and other cultural media such as literature, drama, and the visual arts. May be applied toward the Core Curriculum requirement in Creative Arts. Generally offered: Spring.

HUM 2093. World Religions. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = PHIL 1304)
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Examination of the origins, teachings, development, and philosophical foundations of the world’s chief religious movements, such as Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintosim, Confucianism, Taoism, Sikhism, Jainism, Islam, Zoroastrianism, Judaism, and Christianity. May be applied toward the Core Curriculum requirement in Language, Philosophy and Culture. (Formerly HUM 3093. Credit cannot be earned for both HUM 2093 and HUM 3093.) Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

HUM 3013. History of Ideas. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Survey of the development and influence of major philosophical, scientific, and aesthetic conceptions from ancient times to the present. Generally offered: Fall.

HUM 3023. The Medieval World. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Interdisciplinary investigation of medieval thought and culture as exemplified in major works of literature, philosophy, theology, and history.

HUM 3033. Renaissance Ideas. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Interdisciplinary investigation of Renaissance thought and culture, as exemplified in major works of literature, philosophy, history, theology, and fine arts.

HUM 3043. Classicism and Enlightenment. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Interdisciplinary investigation of thought and culture in the later 17th and the 18th centuries, as exemplified in major works of philosophy, literature, and the fine arts.

HUM 3053. The Romantic Age. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Interdisciplinary investigation of the development of ideas in literature, philosophy, art, politics, and society at the end of the 18th and beginning of the 19th century.

HUM 3063. The Modern World. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Interdisciplinary investigation of modern thought in the late 19th and 20th centuries, as exemplified in major works of philosophy, literature, and the fine arts. Generally offered: Fall, Summer.

HUM 3103. American Film. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Survey of the art, history, development, and major critical approaches to American film with attention to such topics as classical and revisionist film styles, cinematic apparatus, the history and development of film genres, and film as a part of American culture.

HUM 3203. Film Genres. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Intensive study of a particular film genre, such as Western, science fiction, film noir, or documentary. May be repeated for credit when topics vary.

HUM 3213. The Christian Classics. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. The opportunity for an intensive survey of selected works of writers studied in the context of Christian thought.

HUM 3223. The Bible as Literature. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of the Core Curriculum requirement in literature. Offers the opportunity to survey major themes, stories, and motifs in the Old and New Testament, with emphasis on those elements fundamental to Western culture.

HUM 3303. Major Filmmaker. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Intensive study of the work of a particular major filmmaker, such as Alfred Hitchcock, Akira Kurosawa, Orson Welles, Charles Chaplin, or Ingmar Bergman. May be repeated for credit when topics vary.

HUM 3403. Literature into Film. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Examination of what distinguishes and links the media of cinema and written literature. Case studies in adaptation of novels, short stories, and plays into film.
HUM 3623. Topics in National Cultures and Civilizations. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. The cultural life of the respective geographic regions and social strata of individual nations of Europe and America, as reflected in and interpreted by their artistic production. Individual topics may focus on a single nation or several nations. May be repeated for credit when topics vary. Generally offered: Fall, Spring.

HUM 3703. Topics in Popular Culture. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Completion of Core Curriculum requirement in rhetoric. Intensive study of a particular period (e.g., the '20s, the '60s, the Middle Ages), medium (e.g., television, hip hop, radio), or event (e.g., 9/11, the Alamo, Kennedy assassination) as shaped by and shaper of the popular imagination. May be repeated for credit when topics vary. Generally offered: Spring.

HUM 4911. Independent Study. (0-0) 1 Credit Hour.
Prerequisites: Permission in writing (form available) of the instructor, the student’s advisor, the Department Chair, and the Dean of the College in which the course is offered. Independent reading, research, discussion, and/or writing under the direction of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of independent study, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor’s degree.

HUM 4912. Independent Study. (0-0) 2 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: Permission in writing (form available) of the instructor, the student’s advisor, the Department Chair, and the Dean of the College in which the course is offered. Independent reading, research, discussion, and/or writing under the direction of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of independent study, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor’s degree.

HUM 4913. Independent Study. (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: Permission in writing (form available) of the instructor, the student’s advisor, the Department Chair, and the Dean of the College in which the course is offered. Independent reading, research, discussion, and/or writing under the direction of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of independent study, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor’s degree.

HUM 4953. Special Studies in Humanities. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Organized course offering the opportunity for specialized study not normally or not often available as part of the regular course offerings. Special Studies may be repeated for credit when the topics vary, but not more than 6 semester credit hours, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor’s degree. Generally offered: Spring.

HUM 4973. Senior Seminar in Humanities. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: 12 upper-division semester credit hours in humanities, classics, or philosophy. Undergraduate seminar limited to students in the humanities emphasis in their senior year. Content varies with each instructor. May be repeated once for credit when topics vary. (Formerly titled “Seminar for Humanities Majors.”).

HUM 4992. Honors Thesis. (0-0) 2 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and Department Scholarship and Honors Committee; enrollment in or completion of HUM 4973. Supervised research and preparation of an Honors Thesis for the purpose of earning Humanities Honors. May be repeated once with advisor approval.

HUM 4993. Honors Thesis. (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and Department Scholarship and Honors Committee; enrollment in or completion of HUM 4973. Supervised research and preparation of an Honors Thesis for the purpose of earning Humanities Honors. May be repeated once with advisor approval.

HUM 4991. Honors Thesis. (0-0) 1 Credit Hour.
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and Department Scholarship and Honors Committee; enrollment in or completion of HUM 4973. Supervised research and preparation of an Honors Thesis for the purpose of earning Humanities Honors. May be repeated once with advisor approval.