

# COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCES

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The College of Letters and Sciences is the academic heart of Columbus State University, offering most of the General Education core; undergraduate programs in the sciences, mathematics, humanities, and social sciences; and master's degrees in natural sciences, public administration, public safety administration, and robotics engineering. Students completing degrees in our programs pursue careers in such diverse fields as law, education, public service, public safety, food science, medicine, journalism, scientific research, engineering, and criminal justice.

With the growing need for experts in these fields, the College of Letters and Sciences continually improves with new ways to engage students, new faculty expertise, and revamped programs. For example, we recently updated our robotics engineering program, created a Nexus degree in Criminal Justice, added a French track in the Modern Language and Culture program, and expanded our Political Science and Criminal Justice programs to include online options. The college has launched certificate and minor programs in data analytics, digital humanities, and robotics engineering. The College of Letters and Sciences prioritizes a student-centered focus to meet the diverse needs of the students by offering challenging programs, an engaged faculty, and a vibrant, globally connected campus culture. In promoting programs that have the potential to attract students and enrich student experiences, the College of Letters and Sciences has merged some of its programs to create the following new units;

- The School of Policy, Justice, and Public Safety (SPJPS) provides an academic structure that houses the Criminal Justice, Political Science, and Public Administration programs, and the Command College which offers Public Safety programs.
- Department of Society, Culture and Languages that brings together Modern Language & Culture, Sociology, and Anthropology programs.
- The Department of History, Geography, and Philosophy offer programs in History and Geography, and a minor in Philosophy.

Another way in which we promote a student-centered approach is through our faculty's professional development - our faculty are equipped and encouraged to provide hands-on learning experiences for students that blend academic rigor with practical applications. Hence, our students are active in undergraduate and graduate research and creative inquiry. In addition, we offer a large number of classes that are small enough to place students face-to-face with partners in industry, the community and internationally renowned experts; our students explore the unique geological terrain of our region, examine the literary works of the masters, apply mathematics to solve problems from industry, and travel abroad.

- Department of Biology (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/biology/>)
- Department of Chemistry (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/chemistry/>)
- Department of Earth and Space Sciences (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/earth-space-sciences/>)

- Department of English (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/english/>)
- Department of History, Geography and Philosophy (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/history-philosophy-geography/>)
- Department of Mathematics (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/mathematics/>)
- Department of Psychology (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/psychology/>)
- Department of Society, Culture and Languages (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/society-culture-languages/>)
- School of Policy, Justice and Public Safety (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/letters-sciences/policy-justice-publicsafety/>)

## Outreach Centers & Initiatives

- Command College (<https://www.columbusstate.edu/command-college/>)
- UTeach Columbus Program
- The Competitive Pre-Medical Studies program
- McCullers Center for Writers & Musicians (<https://mccullers.columbusstate.edu/>)
- S.T.E.M. Initiative (<https://www.columbusstate.edu/letters-and-sciences/stem.php>)