

# Humanities and Sciences Division

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Division Phone Number: (513) 569-1700

The Humanities and Sciences Division offers two degrees for students who plan to continue in a bachelor's degree program immediately after graduating from Cincinnati State:

- Associate of Arts
- Associate of Science

The Division also offers two Associate of Applied Science degrees that prepare students for immediate employment:

- Early Childhood Education
- Interpreter Training

The Division also offers an Associate of Technical Studies degree for individuals currently working in law enforcement who want to advance in their field:

- Law Enforcement

The Division also offers several certificate programs:

- Addiction Studies
- Addiction Studies Licensing Preparation
- Deaf Studies
- Human Services
- Leadership

The **Humanities Division** recognizes that each student has a unique combination of attitudes, beliefs, values, and experiences. The Humanities Division's courses enable students to understand the forces that shape them, especially in the psychological, social, and economic areas, and provide tools that assist students either in controlling or adapting to these forces.

Foremost among these tools is effective communication, both oral and written. Therefore, the division offers a number of courses that enhance communication skills by developing critical thinking techniques and the ability to present information in a clear, organized manner.

The **Sciences Division** is committed to the integration of language and critical thinking skills, mathematics, and the understanding of scientific principles to provide a comprehensive problem-solving approach to learning.

The Sciences Division emphasizes laboratory experiences, particularly in the laboratory-based chemistry and physics departments. Through observation and manipulation of laboratory materials, students gain genuine understanding of physical laws, concepts, and hypotheses and have opportunities to learn to use their own ingenuity while investigating and reporting on scientific issues and phenomena.

Sciences Division faculty are prepared for and dedicated to fulfilling the following divisional goals:

- Teaching the principles of physics, chemistry, and mathematics considered basic to successful studies in science-dependent fields

such as engineering technologies, health technologies, science and health laboratory sciences, or technical business services.

- Teaching the principles of physics, chemistry, and mathematics considered essential to successful science studies within liberal arts programs.
- Providing in-depth instruction that prepares students for bachelor's degree studies in scientific or mathematical fields after obtaining an Associate of Science degree at Cincinnati State.

To set the stage for success in the college experience, degree-seeking students are required to complete a college First Year Experience (FYE) course within the first 12 credit hours taken at Cincinnati State.

## Entrance Competencies in Communications and Mathematics

In order to ensure a high degree of success in academic studies in Humanities and Sciences, entering students must meet established academic levels in mathematics, written communication skills, and reading comprehension. To aid in determining these levels, entering students are required to take the college placement test. If testing and previous academic background indicate that a student has not reached the necessary preparatory level, an advisor will identify Academic Foundations classes to help the student reach needed levels. Preparatory classes are available year-round, and are designed to increase students' opportunities for success in their courses.

## Cooperative Education

The Humanities and Sciences Division shares the College's commitment to cooperative education as an integral part of the curriculum. Cooperative education allows students to apply concepts learned in the classroom through practical, hands-on experience in full-time or part-time work environments. These work experiences may include paid cooperative education or unpaid internships. In some cases, degree-seeking students with prior work experience related to their post-baccalaureate career goals may be eligible to receive credit through the standard College procedures for granting advanced standing credit. The program chair and cooperative education coordinator must approve all substitutions in advance.

Students must schedule a meeting with the cooperative education coordinator at least one semester prior to the anticipated start of their co-op activities to discuss options and plan how to complete co-op credits.

For eligibility requirements, co-op registration policies, and other issues related to cooperative education, please refer to the Cooperative Education (<http://catalog.cincinnati-state.edu/academicpoliciesandprocedures/cooperativeeducationprogram/policies>) section of this catalog.

## Writing Center

The Writing Center in Room 235 Main Building (Clifton Campus) offers tutorial support at no charge to any Cincinnati State student whose coursework includes written assignments. Tutors are qualified, experienced writing instructors. Tutors are available by appointment, on a walk-in basis, or online to provide guidance to students in all facets of the writing process.

## **Transfer Module**

The Ohio Department of Higher Education developed the Ohio Transfer Module to facilitate transfer of credits from one Ohio public college or university to another. Ohio's transfer module contains 36 to 40 semester hours of course credits in the areas of communication, mathematics, arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and natural and physical sciences. A transfer module completed at one college or university automatically meets the requirements for the transfer module at another college or university once the student is admitted. For additional information, see the State of Ohio Policy for Institutional Transfer (<http://catalog.cincinnati.state.edu/admissioninformation/institutionaltransfer>) and the Transfer Module (<http://catalog.cincinnati.state.edu/academicdivisionsanddegreeandcertificateprograms/transfermodule>) sections of this catalog.

The Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees contains all of the required courses for the transfer module, and the Associate of Applied Science degrees contain many of the required courses. Students earning Associate of Applied Science degrees may schedule additional courses needed to complete the transfer module at their convenience. Students who transfer to an Ohio public university for a baccalaureate degree will find that an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree, or an Associate of Applied Science degree combined with transfer module completion, leads to preferential consideration at the receiving institution.