

# SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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The School of Arts and Sciences is committed to creating and maintaining a thriving cultural and academic milieu in which students and faculty may fully develop their individual potential as human beings, leaders, scholars, teachers, and productive members of society.

The mission of the School of Arts and Sciences is to prepare broad-based scholars, researchers and practitioners who are leaders, lifelong learners, and productive global citizens; to provide the core curricular foundation for the University, and to enrich the University's artistic and cultural environment.

The vision of the School of Arts and Sciences is to lead in the preparation and education of students and attain greater prominence in the global environment through research and creative expression, and its interdisciplinary programs that are recognized for academic excellence, and intellectual breadth and depth.

The School offers graduate degree programs through the divisions of Humanities, Natural and Mathematical Sciences, and Social Sciences, that provide a variety of uniquely designed high quality instructional programs and academic activities from cutting-edge research to preparing students to meet the demands of a career in various industries.

## Graduate Programs of Study

The degrees conferred by the School of Arts and Sciences are:

- Master of Arts
  - African American Studies
  - Africana Women's Studies
  - Criminal Justice
  - English
  - French
  - History
  - Political Science
  - Sociology
  - Spanish
- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Science
  - Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Computer Science
  - Mathematics
  - Physics
- Doctor of Philosophy
  - Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Humanities (Interdisciplinary Program)
    - Concentrations:
      - African American Studies
      - Africana Women's Studies

- English
- History
- Political Science

## Communications Skills and School Certification Requirements for International Students

The School of Arts and Sciences has two school-wide regulations intended to establish that students meet its standards for communications skills.

1. All international students whose TOEFL score is less than 600 must pass an ESL test administered within the School of Arts Sciences.
2. Each department designates the instrument specifically designed to determine whether a student has satisfactory communication skills. A copy of the instrument must be filed in the Dean's Office prior to the semester in which it is administered.

## Foreign Language and/or Research Tools Requirement

All students in the School of Arts and Sciences must demonstrate reading proficiency in French and Spanish. The Department of English and Modern Languages in the School of Arts and Sciences administers the test of the students' reading knowledge of the foreign languages of their choice. These examinations measure the ability to read selected passages from the literature of the major subject. Students may also meet this requirement by passing a three (3) credit course in (CFLS 506 Spanish for Graduate Students or CSPA 506 .

or

As a substitute, students may demonstrate reading proficiency in one (1) foreign language and by passing an examination in a graduate course in computer science, statistical analysis, or another applicable research tool.

*Graduate courses required in Research Tools such as foreign languages, computer science, statistical analysis, or another applicable research tool may not be used to satisfy the minimum graduate credit requirement for the Master's or Doctorate Degree.*

- Division of Humanities (<http://catalog.cau.edu/graduate/programs-study/arts-sciences/division-humanities/>)
- Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics (<http://catalog.cau.edu/graduate/programs-study/arts-sciences/natural-sciences-mathematics/>)
- Division of Social Sciences (<http://catalog.cau.edu/graduate/programs-study/arts-sciences/division-social-sciences/>)