

POLITICAL SCIENCE | MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES (GLOBAL STUDIES)

About the Program

This program explores the complex global issues facing our world in the 21st century. It is built around the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AACSU) Global Challenges project, which uses the Center for Strategic and International Studies' Seven Revolutions framework. The course, POLS 805 Global Challenges, was created in collaboration with several scholars from institutions around the USA. The seven areas of future global challenges include: population, resources, technology, information, economies, conflict, and governance. All seven challenges will be introduced in POLS 805 Global Challenges, **which is required before taking other courses in the concentration**. Additional concentration courses will focus upon more knowledge acquisition in each challenge area.

In addition to becoming a more intelligent and responsible citizen, students with this degree may enter careers in advocacy, law or legal studies, media, non-profit, local/state/national/international government, education, or community programs.

Program Summary

Code	Title	Hours
MLS Core Courses		
IDS 801	Introduction to Graduate Liberal Studies	1
IDS 802	Ways of Knowing in Comparative Perspective	3
IDS 803	Origins and Implications of the Knowledge Society	3
IDS 804	Information Literacy	3
Concentration Core (required)		
POLS 805	Global Challenges ¹	3
Select five of the following:		15
HHP 610G	Global Health	
INF 610G	Public Policy, Law, Ethics in Telecommunications	
INF 660G	Global Telecommunications Policy	
INF 684G	Foundations of Information Systems Security	
LDRS 802	Organizational Systems, Change, and Leadership	
POLS 611G	Policy Analysis	
POLS 630G	International Organization in World Politics	
POLS 631G	American Foreign Policy	
POLS 632G	Problems and Issues in World Politics	
SOC 681G	Non Governmental Org: Global Social Innovation	
Culminating Experience		
Select one course from the following:		3
IDS 820	Projects in Liberal or Professional Studies	

Course approved by MLS Coordinator

Total Hours

31

¹ Students must successfully complete POLS 805 Global Challenges before enrolling in other concentration courses.

Graduate School Graduation Requirements

All Graduate degrees ¹ require:

- Maintain a C or higher in all coursework.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. (Refer to program)
- A minimum of 30-75 hours of Graduate course work. (Refer to program)
- Comprehensive Examination or equivalent assessment is required. (Master of Liberal Studies requires a Comprehensive Examination **and** Concentration Exam)
- Degree completion within 8 years.

¹ Refer to degree program for any additional requirements.

Note for MLS and MPS degree concentrations:

Master of Liberal Studies (MLS) programs are administratively housed within the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences but are listed in the catalog within the academic unit related to the relevant concentration area for ease in navigation.

Master of Professional Studies (MPS) programs are administratively housed within the College of Health and Behavioral Sciences but are listed in the catalog within the academic unit related to the relevant concentration area for ease in navigation.