BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN LIBERAL STUDIES

CUSTOMIZE YOUR DEGREE TO ADVANCE IN A WIDE RANGE OF FIELDS
Design your education to suit your individual talents, past experiences, and future career goals. Purdue University Global’s liberal-studies-based degree prepares you for a variety of job opportunities across many industries. This flexible program lets you maximize credits from prior institutions, military training, or other experiential learning, while allowing you to hone in on the topics and skills that will benefit you most. We also offer a concentration in leadership for students interested in leading in diverse settings. With this unique degree pathway, you are in control of what you study.
WHY EARN A LIBERAL STUDIES DEGREE AT PURDUE GLOBAL?

ONLINE FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS
Complete your coursework 100% online, on your schedule. You can also visit one of our regional locations to take advantage of local, onsite support and services.

TRANSFER CREDITS
Transfer up to 75% of your degree requirements to accelerate completion of your degree and save on tuition. In addition to credit for prior courses, you can earn college credit for your work, military, volunteer, and life experiences.¹

FACULTY EXPERTISE
Learn from professionals with extensive experience in a broad range of specialties. All professors possess advanced academic degrees and relevant industry credentials.

ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING
Collaborate closely with a faculty advisor to develop your individual learning plan. Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and faculty office hours, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

INTRODUCTORY TRIAL PERIOD
Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks before you owe any tuition. That’s the Purdue Global Commitment.²

NATIONALLY RANKED AND RESPECTED
Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education.³
In addition to gaining a strong foundation in writing, math, science, and the humanities, you can personalize your degree by choosing from a wide pool of open electives. Courses are reviewed and revised regularly by industry experts to ensure they reflect the most recent developments and practices in each field.

**CORE COURSE TOPICS INCLUDE:**
- Communications and writing
- Ethics
- Statistics
- Psychology
- Nutrition
- Conflict resolution
- Critical thinking
- Gender studies

**CAPSTONE PROJECT**
The program culminates in a final capstone project, which gives you the opportunity to demonstrate your mastery of course material by applying it to real-world challenges in the field that interests you most.

**LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION**
Develop the expertise to take on management and leadership roles in any industry. Courses in this concentration include:
- Strategic Communication
- Leadership in Practice
- Organizational Behavior
- Conflict Management and Team Dynamics

**ACCELERATED MASTER’S DEGREE OPTION**
Work toward a Purdue Global master’s degree in public administration, educational psychology, human services, legal studies, or psychology while you earn your bachelor’s degree. Complete both your bachelor’s and master’s degrees in less time and at a lower cost than completing both programs separately.

**PROGRAM DETAIL**
- **Credit Hours:** 180
- **Program Length:** 2–4 years (With transfer credit and other prior experience, the average completion time for Purdue Global bachelor’s degree graduates in 2018-2019 was less than 2 years.)
- **Course Load:** 2–3 per term
- **Terms:** 10 weeks long
- **Start Dates:** Throughout the year

“**The Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies at Purdue Global is an excellent fit for students who have varied interests and/or want to use transfer credits to complete a degree. Students can individualize their course choices to align with their professional and personal preferences and to help maximize transfer credits.**

Lisa Wright, PT, PhD
Liberal Studies Professor

**ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS**
- Bachelor of Science in Communication
- Bachelor of Science in Human Services in Youth/Family Services and Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology (Addictions, Applied Behavior Analysis, and I/O Psychology)
- Master of Science in Human Services
- Master of Science in Psychology
- Master of Public Administration
**CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES**

**INDUSTRY OUTLOOK**
- Employers often rank skills such as critical thinking/problem-solving, teamwork/collaboration, oral/written communication, and professionalism/work ethic among the essential competencies they look for in recent college graduates.
- Strong written-communication skills, such as those developed in this program, are highly sought-after by employers.

**CAREER SERVICES**
Our team of Career Specialists offers the following services:
- Job search and networking support
- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

**CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES**
This program prepares students to acquire the breadth of knowledge required to pursue positions in a variety of fields, depending on the concentration chosen.

**Roles**
Because each student creates an individualized learning plan, roles will vary. Examples of possible career paths:
- Business manager
- First-line supervisor of office and administrative support workers
- Administrative services manager

**Industries**
- Business
- Education
- Social services
- Private/government agencies

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**Accredited by The Higher Learning Commission**
This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. Contact the HLC at HLCommission.org or call 800-621-7440.

**Military Friendly**
We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

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**Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit PurdueGlobal.edu.**