

University College

University College (<http://ucollege.wustl.edu>) is the professional and continuing education division of Arts & Sciences and offers a wide range of courses, including online formats, in a variety of academic departments and interdisciplinary and professional areas of study. Part-time and full-time study in undergraduate degree programs, graduate degree programs, and certificate programs is available. University College operates the Summer School for both day and evening students, including a range of credit programs and noncredit institutes for high school and middle school students. University College provides career workshops for adult learners, and it is home to the Lifelong Learning Institute for senior citizens. University College sponsors special lecture series such as the Master of Liberal Arts (MLA) Saturday Lecture Series and Science Saturdays, co-sponsored with the Department of Physics. For more information, visit our website (<http://ucollege.wustl.edu>).

Graduate Study

University College administers the Doctor of Liberal Arts, Master of Liberal Arts, Master of Arts, and Master of Science, in coordination with the Graduate School. University College administers the Master of Science in Clinical Research Management in coordination with Washington University School of Medicine. University College also offers a range of graduate-level certificate programs (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/certificates>).

To earn the Doctor of Liberal Arts degree (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/doctor-liberal-arts>) at Washington University, a student must complete 45 credit hours after earning a relevant master's degree, pass a written and oral comprehensive examination, and write and defend a thesis.

Master's degree programs (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/masters>) in University College consist of 30-36 units of graduate-level course work including, in some cases, a 6-unit master's thesis or a 3-unit directed research project.

Normally, up to 6 units of related graduate-level study, with a grade of B or higher, may be transferred to a graduate program. All other course work must be taken at Washington University. Only courses taken for a letter grade may be applied to a graduate program of study. Courses taken as pass/fail or audit will not count toward a graduate program of study.* Grades below C- will not count toward a graduate degree program of study. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 to be eligible to receive a graduate degree.

Please visit the University College website (<http://ucollege.wustl.edu>) or call 314-935-6700 for more detailed information, requirements, and policies concerning specific graduate degree programs.

Admission

Admission to the Doctor of Liberal Arts (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/doctor-liberal-arts>) program is extremely competitive. Candidates must already hold a master's degree in a relevant subject from an accredited institution of higher learning. The application deadline is April 1. Please visit the University College website (<http://ucollege.wustl.edu>) for more detailed admissions requirements and information about the Doctor of Liberal Arts.

Admission to master's degree programs is competitive and open on a selective basis to qualified individuals who have earned a baccalaureate degree. University College and the Graduate School review completed applications and make admissions decisions on a rolling basis for master's degree programs. The process typically takes four to six weeks. Accordingly, master's degree applicants should submit materials according to the following schedule in order to ensure a timely decision: mid-November for spring; mid-April for summer; mid-July for fall. Please visit the University College website (<http://ucollege.wustl.edu>) for additional program-specific admission requirements.

Graduate Degrees in University College

- Doctor of Liberal Arts (DLA) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/doctor-liberal-arts>)
- Master of Arts in American Culture Studies (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-american-culture>)
- Master of Arts in Biology (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-biology>)
- Master of Arts in Education (MAEd) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-education>)
- Master of Arts in Human Resources Management (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-human-resources>)
- Master of Arts in International Affairs (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-international>)
- Master of Arts in Nonprofit Management (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-nonprofit>)
- Master of Arts in Statistics (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-statistics>)
- Master of Liberal Arts (AM) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/am-liberal-arts>)
- Master of Science in Biology (MS) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/ms-biology-teachers>)
- Master of Science in Clinical Research Management (MS) (<http://bulletin.wustl.edu/grad/ucollege/ms-clinical-research>)

AM, MAEd, and MS in Biology degrees conferred by the Graduate School. MS in Clinical Research Management conferred by University College.

***Note:** University College students may apply a maximum of 6 units of P/F credit from graduate-level course work in the Olin Business School to a master's degree program in University College. The course work must be authorized by University College and the Graduate School, and the student must have received Pass or High Pass in the Olin School course. Courses with grades of Low Pass are not eligible. This policy applies only to courses completed on a P/F basis in the Olin Business School prior to a student's admission to a University College graduate program of study administered by University College and conferred by the Graduate School. Once admitted to a University College program of study, students who are authorized to take courses in the Olin School and apply them toward their program of study are required to convert P/F to letter grades at the time of registration.*

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