

ONLINE · APU GLOBAL

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES WITH MULTIPLE SUBJECT TEACHING CREDENTIAL

Earn a bachelor's and a California Multiple Subject Teaching Credential together, with additional credential coursework beyond the B.A.

CREDITS TO GRADUATE

**120**

PER CREDIT

**\$535**

COURSE LENGTH

**8 weeks**

FORMAT

**100% Online**

## ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Studies (LIBS) program is an innovative alternative degree program designed to provide subject matter preparation for prospective elementary school and special education teachers. The program offers a major in liberal studies. It accommodates experienced adult students, many of whom are working in classrooms as para-educators, and draws upon their rich experiences in school settings.

Many adult students have developed skills or expertise at the workplace, at home, or in other venues. Some of those experiences may translate into prior learning credit (PLA). A maximum of 30 credits may be earned through Prior Learning Assessment (PLA).

## WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Build subject-matter fluency across K–8 content
- Plan and deliver standards-aligned instruction
- Manage classrooms and assess student learning

## AT A GLANCE

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| Core                      | 31 credits       |
| Major Requirements        | 42 credits       |
| Electives                 | 47 credits       |
| Total credits to graduate | <b>120</b>       |
| Cost per credit           | \$535            |
| Area of study             | Education        |
| Transfer credit           | Up to 90 credits |

## NEXT START DATES

**September 8, 2026** apply by August 22

**November 2, 2026** apply by October 18

8-week courses

Transfer-friendly or 27

CTC-aligned

# WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

## Core

31 credits

The APU Global Core comprises the General Education requirements and the APU Global Distinctives. General Education requirements may be met by transfer work. Some Core courses also satisfy program requisite or major requirements, so the Core credits counted toward this degree may be fewer than the sum of the courses listed here.

### GENERAL EDUCATION: ENGLISH COMMUNICATION

|                 |                      |   |
|-----------------|----------------------|---|
| <b>COMM 105</b> | Public Communication | 3 |
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| <b>ENGL 105</b> | Introduction to Academic Research and Writing | 3 |
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### GENERAL EDUCATION: ARTS AND HUMANITIES

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| <b>ARTS 110</b> | Introduction to Art | 3 |
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### GENERAL EDUCATION: HUMANITIES

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| <b>ENGL 115</b> | Introduction to Literature | 3 |
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### GENERAL EDUCATION: QUANTITATIVE REASONING

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| <b>MATH 125</b> | College Algebra | 3 |
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### GENERAL EDUCATION: BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

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| <b>ECON 203</b> | Principles of Microeconomics | 3 |
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| or <b>PSYC 105</b> | Introduction to Psychology | — |
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### GENERAL EDUCATION: SOCIAL SCIENCES

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| <b>HIST 202</b> | World Civilizations | 3 |
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### GENERAL EDUCATION: PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

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| <b>BIOL 105</b> | General Biology/Lab | 4 |
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| or <b>BIOL 230</b> | Anatomy and Physiology I/Lab | — |
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| or <b>CHEM 115</b> | Chemistry for Health Sciences/Lab | — |
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| or <b>NSCI 150</b> | Introduction to Astronomy/Lab | — |
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### APU GLOBAL DISTINCTIVES

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| <b>BIBL 100</b> | Introduction to Biblical Literature: Exodus/Deuteronomy | 3 |
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| <b>BIBL 230</b> | Introduction to Biblical Literature: Luke/Acts | 3 |
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| <b>ISTU 101</b> | Success in the University | 3 |
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## Major Requirements

42 credits

Courses you take at APU Global for this program.

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|-----------------|----------------------------------------|---|
| <b>ARTS 400</b> | Visual Arts for the Elementary Teacher | 3 |
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| <b>ARTS 410</b> | Performing Arts for the Elementary Teacher | 3 |
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| <b>EDUC 300</b> | Introduction to Elementary Education | 3 |
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| <b>EDUC 310</b> | Human Growth and Development for Educators | 3 |
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| <b>EDUC 410</b> | P.E., Health, and Safety for Elementary Teachers | 3 |
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| <b>ENGL 420</b> | Principles of Language | 3 |
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| <b>ENGL 450</b> | Children's Literature | 3 |
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| <b>HIST 202</b> | World Civilizations | 3 |
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| <b>HIST 420</b> | United States History and the Constitution | 3 |
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| <b>HIST 440</b> | California History | 3 |
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| <b>MATH 301</b> | Math for the Elementary Teacher I | 3 |
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# WHAT YOU'LL STUDY (CONTINUED)

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| Major Requirements (cont.) | MATH 302                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Math for the Elementary Teacher II  | 3 |
|                            | NSCI 301                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Life Science                        | 3 |
|                            | NSCI 325                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Physical, Earth, and Space Sciences | 3 |
| Electives<br>47 credits    | Students may choose from any course in the catalog. If students wish to complete a concentration, they may complete a maximum of two concentrations. Students may also earn up to 30 credits of electives via Prior Learning Assessment (PLA). |                                     |   |

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| TOTAL CREDITS TO GRADUATE | 120 |
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| No application fee<br>Apply free, any time. | No essay or entrance exam<br>Transcripts and a short form. | Transfer up to 90 credits<br>Prior college work and PLA credit. |
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WHERE THIS LEADS

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| Curriculum Designer           | \$74,620  |
| School Administrator          | \$103,460 |
| Instructional Coach           | \$68,000  |
| Higher Ed Program Coordinator | \$70,000  |

OUTCOMES DATA

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| MEDIAN SALARY<br>\$64,000                                | PROJECTED GROWTH<br>+4% |
| U.S. BLS, Education Administrators, 2022–2032 projection |                         |

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