

LIBERAL ARTS ADVISING

Description: Liberal Arts refers to a broad-based education in a variety of disciplines whose emphasis is on understanding humanity from multiple perspectives (e.g. history, literature, philosophy, psychology) while developing the skills of critical thinking, analytical reasoning, oral and written communication and problem solving with the aim of developing an educated individual who respects diversity and accepts global responsibility. In an ever-changing world, liberal arts majors offer an opportunity for breadth and depth of study while producing flexible, well-rounded individuals with an understanding of life-long learning. It is our mission to develop and provide the necessary resources to advise effectively in this environment.

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Current HOT TOPICS in this area and one related article or resource:

- Cutting of Liberal Arts Majors:
 - [Liberal Arts Face Uncertain Future at Some Institutions](#)
- Benefits of a Liberal Arts Education
 - [Embracing the Uncertain, Scary Future-With a Liberal Arts Degree](#)

Two things you need to know about working with Liberal Arts students:

- Many students face challenges in not knowing what they can do with their degree. That challenge is magnified when the same students are trying to answer the same questions from friends and family members who sometimes critique the reasoning for pursuing such a degree.
- As advisors in this field, we are challenged to help our students gain an understanding of the educational, professional and personal skillset they will gain while earning a degree in the Liberal Arts. In doing so, we have an opportunity to empower our students and to strengthen their ability to sell their educational and professional skillset to any employer and graduate/professional school they choose to apply for. It is critical that advisors have the proper information, data and resources to have that dialogue with our student population-prospective, current and alumni.

For more information check out our webpage at:

<https://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Community/Advising-Communities/Liberal-Arts-Advisors.aspx>

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