## **SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

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Study of the liberal arts and sciences has always been the foundation of undergraduate education at St. Bonaventure. Courses and programs are designed to introduce students to the world of ideas; to develop their powers of reasoning and expression; to enable them to think meaningfully about God and personal identity; to become aware of the history, literature, science, art and institutions which constitute our culture; to develop aesthetic awareness and appreciation; and to prepare them for an active and effective role in the contemporary world. To these ends, students in every school of the University pursue studies in the School of Arts and Sciences.

Within the school, students pursue major interests in a wide variety of departmental programs: Art, Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Computer Science, Criminology, Cybersecurity, English, Environmental Studies, History, Mathematics, Modern Languages (Spanish), Music, Philosophy, (Philosophy/pre-law), Physics (Engineering Physics), Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and Theater. We also offer multidisciplinary majors including Bioinformatics (BS), Behavioral Neuroscience (BS), Health and Society (BS, BA), and International Studies (BA).

These studies can be and often are pursued as ends in themselves. They also provide for the needs of students who plan to enter medical, dental, veterinary, law and other professional schools, who hope to become secondary school teachers, or who intend to enter the various fields of graduate study.

Special advisement and specific courses of study are available in every major to help the student prepare for the student's own career aims.

For the many entering students who have not made up their minds about a major field, a broad-based program in the arts and sciences is designed to prepare smooth entry into a specific major when the student is ready to make a choice, normally by the end of the sophomore year.