Overview
The Liberal Studies Program’s primary role is to prepare future K-6 teachers. Major requirements are in alignment with the current California Commission on Teacher Credential (CCTC) Elementary Subject Matter (ESM). The program is also excellent for anyone seeking a broad-based, liberal arts higher education experience.

Projects and Programs
• Close working relationship with the Department of Teacher Education in the College of Education and Allied Studies.
• The Bachelors Plus – Early Pathway (BPEP) program enables 30 selected students per year to simultaneously obtain a Bachelor of Arts degree and a fifth year teaching credential in seven continuous quarters beginning at the start of the junior year. Whereas a typical full-time student might be enrolled in 12 units per quarter, Blended students take 16-20 units per quarter.
• Program for Accelerated College Education (PACE) offers the Liberal Studies major (Liberal Arts track) for working adults with classes in evenings, weekends, or on-line.

Career Opportunities
Administrator, Business Executive, Civil Servant, Customer Service Representative, Foreign Service Officer, Human Resources Administrator, Journalist, Law, Manager, Personnel Representative, Salesperson, Stockbroker, Teacher (K-6), Writer

Community Outreach
Community College Fairs, presentations to future teachers groups.

Program Achievements
Students
Liberal Studies students interested in pursuing an elementary credential pass CBEST and CSET at very high rates.

Alumni
• The program has graduated many of the Bay Area K-6 teachers.
• Alumni have great success entering and completing teacher credential programs, as well as other graduate and professional programs. Our alumni hold multiple teaching credentials, master degrees, doctorate degrees and work in varied private and public settings.