

College of Liberal Arts

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Department of Cherokee and Indigenous Studies

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Northeastern State University College of Liberal Arts

The College of Liberal Arts (COLA) is the cultural center of Northeastern State University. We offer a wide array of programs in the traditional liberal arts fields, as well as many of the social sciences. With a wide variety in programs of study, almost every student at NSU will experience courses in COLA, whether it is part of General Education requirements or their chosen course of study. Please explore this overview to learn more about our programs and feel free to contact any one of our advisors, staff, faculty or administrators to assist you with any questions you may have.

EXPLORE OUR DEPARTMENTS: Cherokee and Indigenous Studies Department

The Cherokee and Indigenous Studies programs provide a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary understanding and respect for the cultures, history and experiences of Cherokee and Indigenous peoples. Students also have various opportunities to participate in ethnographic field research and service learning projects, as well as internships in tribal programs, museums, historical societies and other organizations.

Majors

- » American Indian Studies⁷
- Cherokee Cultural Studies ^T (with an emphasis in Cultural Heritage, Language Revitalization, or Sovereignty and Self-Determination)
- » Cherokee Education ⁷

Communication and Media Studies Department

Communication Studies includes two specialized academic options: Corporate Communication and Relational Communication. Relational Communication provides students with a research-based understanding of communication in close relationships. Corporate Communication is a specialization that focuses on communication among individuals and groups in organizations, including corporate, non-profit and governmental organizations. Corporate Communication is the study of human interaction within complex organizations – including leadership and organizational behavior.

Media Studies includes two specialized tracks: Multimedia and Public Relations/ Advertising. These programs develop an awareness and appreciation of communication theory and the effects of mass media, develop writing skills for mass media, as well as developing an understanding of current media technologies and their capabilities.

Majors

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- Graduate Degree
- » Communication Arts⁷
- » Media Studies ⁷

Communication Studies⁷

Criminology, Justice Studies and Global Security

These degrees involve the study of law enforcement, and prepare students to serve in jobs in law enforcement, politics, corrections or other legal fields. Individuals in these fields work to keep community members safe.

Majors

- » Criminal Justice TB
- » Legal Studies ⁷ ^B
- » Sociology ⁷

- » Homeland Security ^B
- » Cyber Security ⁷ ^B

Graduate Degree

» Criminal Justice TBO



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Geography and Political Science Department

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For more information on coursework, visit with your advisor.

Schedules are also available online:





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^T Courses for these degrees are available on Tahlequah campus.

^B Courses for these degrees are offered on Broken Arrow campus.

• Courses for these degrees are available online.

Geography and Political Science Department

Geography and Sustainability Studies focuses on the location of things in both the physical and human environments. The discipline seeks to understand the characteristics of places, the processes that produced those characteristics, and the interactions among places. Graduates pursue careers in federal, state, tribal, and private sectors including city planners, park rangers, educators and environmental managers.

Political science is a discipline that studies how people think about politics, how they interact politically, and what governmental institutions do. The political science major offers especially strong preparation for students who intend to pursue careers in law, government, international relations, journalism or any other career that requires strong research and communication skills.

Majors

» Geography⁷

» Political Science⁷

History

History involves the study and interpretation of the past. The research and critical thinking skills our students develop prepare them to find and evaluate information, communicate effectively and appreciate diversity. Our graduates have pursued successful careers in business, government service, law, journalism, education and many other fields.

Majors

» History ⁷

» Social Studies Education ⁷

Languages and Literature Department

The Department of Languages and Literature seeks to provide its students with a variety of strong, effective liberal arts academic programs in several undergraduate majors and minors, in general education courses, in its participation in interdisciplinary programs and in graduate studies. In addition to the majors listed below, the department offers many minors including creative writing, languages and humanities, as well as a certificate in English as a Second Language. It also provides courses in other languages of scholarly interest, including French, German, Greek, Japanese, Latin, Russian and Applied Linguistics.

Majors

Creative Writing
 English ^{T B}
 English Education ^{T B}

Social Work Department

Social Work is a profession concerned with relationships between people and their environments. It is a helping profession that provides vision and direction for addressing social problems, resolving interpersonal conflicts, confronting social issues and meeting human needs. It is committed to the enhancement of human well-being and to the alleviation of poverty and oppression among populations at risk. Professional social work is practiced in a wide variety of settings. This department resides in one of 11 universities in the nation to receive funding to financially and educationally support students pursuing careers in the field of child welfare.

Majors

» Social Work TB

Graduate Degree

Social Work⁷

Spanish ^T ^B
 Spanish Education ^T ^B

Graduate Degree

English ^{T B}

School of Visual & Performing Arts

The School of Visual and Performing Arts (SVPA) is a hub of creative activity at NSU and within the Tahlequah community. Programs in the SVPA provide creative experiences and cultural access for students and patrons of the arts yea round through an exciting array of activities and events.

Art

The art program is lead by award- winning teaching artists that focus on guiding students to develop their own artistic style through in-depth one-onone classroom instruction. Art students are also provided with opportunities t display their work in the campus art gallery and participate in juried exhibition

Majors

- » Art ^T (with an emphasis in Graphic Design, Studio Art 2D and Studio Art 3D)
- » Art Education ⁷

Drama

The drama program is led by a faculty of seasoned theatre educators with extensive practical experience in the field. Drama students receive hands-on practical training in all areas of technical theatre, performance and directing through activities in traditional theatre, film, dance and improvisation, includi a full season of public performances and presentations.

Majors

» Drama ⁷

Music

The music program offers a vibrant environment for musicians of all levels and experience. Whether your goal is to make music your profession as a music maje or participate for life enrichment as a non-major, we have a place for you. Our multiple ensembles are a vibrant and very visible part of the NSU experience. T department is fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music. We invite you to discover the many opportunities to join the NSU Music family

Majors

- » Jazz Studies 7
- » Musical Arts 7
- » Music-Business[†]
- » Music Education ⁷
- » Music Performance⁷

^{*T*} Courses for these degrees are available on Tahlequah campus.





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Art

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Military Science Department

The Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) is designed to train and commission the future leaders of the United States Army. This program consists of training in the classroom and in the field to teach cadets the fundamentals of being an Army Officer. Physical training, marksmanship, map reading and more are topics you can expect to learn on your way to becoming the Army's newest leaders.

Student Organizations:

- » Alpha Psi Omega (National Theatre Honor Society)
- » Anthropology Club
- » From Scratch Improv Troupe
- » Geography Club
- >> Harmony Hawks
- » History Club
- » Impressions Dance Company
- » Lambda Pi Eta- Communication Honor Society
- » Model United Nations (MUN)
- Northeastern Association for Student Social Workers
- » NSU Chapter of National Association for Music Education
- » Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature (OIL)
- » Phi Alpha (Social Work Honor Society)
- » Phi Alpha Theta (National History Honor Society)
- » Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia
- » Photography Club
- » Public Relations & Advertising Club (PRAD)
- » R is for Thursday (support for former foster youth)
- » Sigma Tau Delta (English Honor Society)
- » Spanish Club
- » Underground Graphics
- » Write Club (Creative Writing Club)