

## DIVISION OF GENERAL STUDIES AND HUMANITIES

The Division of General Studies and Humanities consists of General Studies, English, Liberal Studies, Music and Religion. In keeping with the liberal arts philosophy the Division provides preparation that addresses the social, intellectual, and creative heritage of humankind as indispensable to the development of the total person and the competent worker. The Division offers the Associate of Arts degree with a major in General Studies and the Baccalaureate degrees in majors of English, Liberal Studies, Music, and Religion.



### ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN GENERAL STUDIES

The Associate Degree in General Studies provides students an opportunity to pursue a broad general education. It is intended as a flexible program for the student who is not preparing for a specific major. This degree recognizes mastery in the liberal and fine arts and is intended for transfer to equivalent bachelor of arts programs at four-year schools. The General Studies program provides the first two years of many four-year college or university majors. A challenging core of requirements from the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and mathematics.

All students aspiring to complete the Baccalaureate Degree for a major in the Division of General Studies and Humanities must complete a maximum of 44 semester hours of general education courses and 15 hours of institutional requirements.

## ENGLISH

The Department of English prepares students for the Bachelor of Arts in English degree. The Department assist student's development with skills that lead to English majors being successful with entry into graduate school and other professions that are highly valued such as education, business, law, public relations, and ministry. For students seeking careers in teaching, the Department offers English courses that support teacher certification programs, including English Language Arts and Reading, 4-8, and English Language Arts and Reading, 7-12. Students interested in teaching should contact the Division of Education.

Exit criteria for the Bachelor of Arts in English degree include the minimum grade requirement of "C" in all courses counting toward the major. Students must also complete the English exit exam; this departmental exam is used for diagnostic purposes only.



### LIBERAL STUDIES

The area of Liberal Studies provides an opportunity for students to explore major social, cultural, economic, environmental, and political issues through the lenses of scientific inquiry, ethical consciousness, historical contexts, and aesthetic awareness. The Liberal Studies major is for students who wish to pursue careers that utilize a broad liberal arts background, including government, public relations, journalism, criminal justice, small business management, non-profit service, and marketing. The Liberal Studies program is an interdisciplinary concentration comprised of complementary fields of study from the four divisions of the college. Students choose three focus areas from the 12 majors offered by the college, establishing a total of 66 hours of required/elective course hours for the major.

## MUSIC PROGRAM

The Music Program offers intensive preparation that will assist students for entry into graduate programs and/or the world of professional music. The major has a strong liberal arts foundation that assist students with skill developments needed for the 21st century. The Music program requires students to take a compilation of specific music and non-music classes designed to provide balanced intellectual preparations in keeping with the mission of the college.



### RELIGION

The Department of Religion provides an informed understanding of various aspects of religious traditions. The Area of Religion nurtures an informed, rich, and committed interest in Biblical teachings and theology. The program enables students to have the preparation needed for advanced study in a seminary or divinity school. The program familiarizes students with cultural relativism of various religious theologies. Students completing the major will be prepared for entry into seminary, graduate study or the profession of ministry.

## TEXAS COLLEGE

### Mission Statement and Core Values

Texas College is a historically black college founded in 1894, by a group of CME ministers. Our mission, which continues to embody the principles of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, is to *ensure that the student body experiences balanced intellectual, psychological, social and spiritual development, aimed at enabling them to become active productive members of society where they live and work.* (Recast and approved by the Board of Trustees at the Annual Meeting, April 15, 2011).

To address the mission, the College incorporates the core values of:

**Academic Excellence** – developing a culture of curiosity and creativity that will challenge the frontiers of teaching/learning; stimulate research; raise the level of analytical reasoning and inquiry; and enable students to acquire leadership, human relations, communications, and technology skills.

**Integrity** – instilling the pursuit of character, honesty and sincerity of purpose as the moral rubrics upon which the behaviors of our graduates and College family are anchored.

**Perseverance** – implanting diligence, enterprise and pride in the application of skills, knowledge and abilities developed during the course of study at Texas College.

**Social Responsibility** – promoting in the College community a conscious awareness that we are all stewards of the resources entrusted to our care.

**Tolerance** – emphasizing openness to divergent points of view, applying an eclectic approach to rational and analytical thinking.

**Community Service** – encouraging self-extension in service to others as the heart and soul of our educational enterprise.

## DIVISION OF GENERAL STUDIES AND HUMANITIES FACULTY

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