WHAT ARE THE HUMANITIES?

The humanities are the study of the different ways in which people process and document the human experience. Humans use philosophy, literature, religion, art, music, history, dance, film, and language to understand and record the world around them. Studying these works gives us a sense of connection to other cultures and an appreciation of diversity.

It is in Apple’s DNA that technology alone is not enough—it’s technology married with liberal arts, married with the humanities, that yields us the results that make our heart sing. — Steve Jobs

IMPORTANCE OF THE HUMANITIES

Humanities broaden your perspective and understanding of the world, and also increase your chances of getting a job. A recent survey shows that top companies rate "global outlook" as the No. 3 of the top 15 skills they look for in job candidates.

Another recent study shows that Humanities majors most commonly work in education; arts, design, entertainment, and media; publishing; community and social services; business administration, sales, and management; and law.

WHAT DOES A DEGREE IN HUMANITIES OFFER?

At MSU, we take an interdisciplinary approach to cultures throughout the world, from the origins of culture through present day. Only through studying the perspectives and values of other cultures can we assess our own.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Humanities Scholarships
The Department of English, Humanities, and Philosophy offers several academic and need-based scholarships each semester. In addition, the Humanities Program offers merit-based scholarships specifically for Humanities majors and minors. To learn more, visit mwsu.edu/academics/libarts.

MSU Academic Merit Scholarships
Midwestern State University offers an automatic scholarship program for beginning freshman and transfer students, automatic scholarships for valedictorians and salutatorians, and distinguished honor scholarships. Lean more at mswu.edu/admissions/scholarships.

FINANCIAL AID

MSU offers a number of financial aid programs including

- Mustangs Guarantee Program
- Academic scholarships
- College Work Study and student employment
- Grants and loans

To learn more about these programs and others, visit mwsu.edu/finaid.
STUDYING HUMANITIES AT MSU

MSU offers a Bachelor of Arts with a major or minor in Humanities for students interested in a broad and deep concentration in humanistic studies.

The breadth of focus allows students to comprehend widely diverse cultural expressions that extend throughout history and across national borders.

REQUIREMENTS

For the major:

• 48 hours of core curriculum
• 36 hours of select humanities and related interdisciplinary courses
• 18-24 hours in a selected field of concentration

For the minor:

• 12 hours of select humanities courses
• 6 hours of history (1333 & 1433)

No culture can live if it insists on being exclusive.
— Mahatma Gandhi

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