Department of Humanities

Mission and Goals

The Department of Humanities focuses on the understanding of the role of the arts and ideas in a global culture and within the history of ideas related to time and place. Our department offers a student-centered approach for individuals with diverse cultural, ethnic and economic backgrounds, gender, talents and abilities. Thus, in partnership with the students, we will foster critical and independent thinking, as well as an appreciation for various cultural expressions. At the same time, the students will develop analytical skills and effective writing, speaking and comprehension strategies for literary and visual texts.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate visual literacy
- 2. Construct, judge and analyze an argument
- 3. Develop cultural and gender sensitivity
- 4. Know the cultural foundations of the Western and other traditions
- 5. Appreciate various musical forms
- 6. Apply multiple strategies for engaging with primary texts
- 7. Understand historical, geographical and cultural context
- 8. Demonstrate effective oral and written communication
- 9. Apply technological literacy to the exchange of ideas
- 10. Pose a philosophical question