Bachelor of Liberal Studies

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Undergraduate major: BLS

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The Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) is designed for students who have earned college credit at a regionally accredited institution and would like to complete a bachelor's degree by distance education. The degree may be completed completely online or through a combination of on-site and online coursework. Students may earn credit toward the degree with a selection of several types of courses, including semester-based online courses, off-campus courses at sites throughout Iowa, and regular session on-campus courses.

The BLS emphasizes workplace and leadership skills. Students must select at least one track from the following six options: expression in writing and arts; family, community, and social support; global studies; health and human studies; justice and ethics; and organizational studies. BLS students may complete multiple tracks and earn undergraduate certificates offered by the University of Iowa. They may not enroll in a second college at the University of Iowa while completing the BLS degree.

The BLS is awarded by University College and is administered by Distance and Online Education.

Programs

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