

Creighton University College of Arts & Sciences
Fact Sheet
2011-2012

Overview:

Creighton University College of Arts and Sciences is the largest and the oldest of Creighton's nine colleges and schools. The college offers more than 65 majors and 32 minors.

Faculty:

- Robert J. Lueger, Ph.D., serves as the dean.
- More than 240 full-time faculty teach in the college, with the majority holding the highest degrees in their fields.
- The college has nine endowed chairs. They include:
 - o The A.F. Jacobson Chair in Communication, held by John O'Keefe, Ph.D.
 - o The Philip M. and Ethel Klutznick Endowed Chair in Jewish Civilization, held by Leonard J. Greenspoon, Ph.D.
 - o The Clare Boothe Luce Faculty Chair for Women in Science, held by Cynthia M. Farthing, Ph.D.
 - o The Amelia B. and Emil G. Graff Faculty Chair in Catholic Theological Studies, held by the Rev. M. Dennis Hamm, S.J.
 - o The John C. Kenefick Endowed Chair in the Humanities, held by Wendy M. Wright, Ph.D.
 - o The John N. Mordeson, Ph.D., Endowed Chair in Mathematics, held by John N. Mordeson, Ph.D.
 - o The Charles and Mary Heider Endowed Jesuit Chair, held by the Rev. Don Doll, S.J.
 - o The Casper Endowed Professorship in History, held by John Calvert, Ph.D.
 - o The Barbara Reardon Heaney Chair in Pastoral Liturgical Theology, held by Eileen Burke-Sullivan, S.T.D.
- Faculty members annually publish dozens of books and hundreds of referred journal articles. Last year, faculty secured over 20 research grants and presented more than 200 papers and posters to their peers across the United States and in 34 countries.

Students:

- In 2011-12, more than 2,600 students were enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- The College of Arts and Sciences offers numerous opportunities for undergraduate students to conduct original research and to present their work at conferences regionally and nationally. As an example, students in departments from English, political science and philosophy to biology, chemistry and physics have opportunities to work closely with faculty mentors to develop research programs in their majors.

Alumni:

- More than half of Arts and Sciences students go directly to graduate or professional school.
- Each year, Arts and Sciences graduates are accepted at prestigious graduate and professional schools, including Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Michigan State, Washington and Stanford Universities, the University of Notre Dame and the University of Cambridge, among others.

Points of Pride:

- Recent Arts and Sciences students or graduates have been awarded prestigious national and international scholarships and fellowships, including the Fulbright Fellowship, the Goldwater Scholarship, Davies-Jackson Scholarship, American Meteorological Society Graduate Scholarship, UNCF/Merck Science Research Award, the Manson A. Stewart Scholarship, National Science Foundation Fellowship for Graduate Study and the U.S. Department of Education's Jacob K. Javits Fellowship for Graduate Study in the Humanities.
- Undergraduate research opportunities are available in most fields, allowing students to participate in a hands-on learning environment. More than 125 students present their research results at professional conferences.
- The Magis Program is a two-year, post-graduate program centered on community living, academic coursework and Ignatian spirituality that prepares and supports highly motivated, faith-filled teachers to serve in under-resourced Catholic schools.
- The Center for Catholic Thought at Creighton University was created in 2009. The center serves students, faculty and the local Catholic community through a series of programs designed to explore and promote the Church's intellectual tradition.
- Each year, approximately 225 Arts and Sciences students study abroad, half through summer programs led by Creighton's own faculty. Students learn and travel in countries such as Ireland, France, Spain, Italy, China, India, Ecuador, Switzerland, Uganda and El Salvador. In addition, Creighton sponsors Encuentro Dominicano, a semester-long program in the Dominican Republic.
- The College of Arts and Sciences sponsors a variety of well-recognized co-curricular activities, including theater productions, a literary magazine, *Shadows*, and various clubs with departments.
- A new program in energy technology is designed to train future leaders in this emerging field to possess the scientific expertise needed as well as an understanding of related social issues.
- The Journalism Media, and Computing Department educates young professionals for a technology-driven workforce, arming them with skills in news writing, analysis of events and use of social media.