

Creighton University
College of Arts & Sciences
Fact Sheet

Overview:

The Creighton University College of Arts and Sciences is both the largest and the oldest of Creighton's nine colleges and schools. The college offers majors in more than 50 fields.

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 seven endowed chairs and two endowed professorship. They include:
 - The A.F. Jacobson Chair in Communication, held by John O'Keefe, Ph.D.
 - The Philip M. and Ethel Klutznick Endowed Chair in Jewish Civilization, held by Leonard J. Greenspoon, Ph.D.
 - The Clare Boothe Luce Faculty Chair for Women in Science, held by Cynthia M. Farthing, Ph.D.
 - The Amelia B. and Emil G. Graff Faculty Chair in Catholic Theological Studies, held by the Rev. M. Dennis Hamm, S.J.
 - The John C. Kenefick Endowed Chair in the Humanities, held by Wendy M. Wright, Ph.D.
 - The John N. Mordeson, Ph.D., Endowed Chair in Mathematics, held by John N. Mordeson, Ph.D.
 - The Charles and Mary Heider Endowed Jesuit Chair, held by the Rev. Don Doll, S.J.
 - The Casper Endowed Professorship in History, held John Calvert, Ph.D.
 - The Michael W. Barry Professorship, Isabelle Cherney, Ph.D.

- Faculty annually publish dozens of books, hundreds of refereed journal articles, attract over 20 research grants, and present 200 papers and posters to their peers around the world.

Students:

- In 2009-2010, more than 2,500 students are enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences.

- The academic profile of the freshman class places Creighton among the top five private universities in the Midwest and among the top eight Catholic universities in the nation.

- The College of Arts and Sciences offers numerous opportunities for undergraduate students to conduct original research and to present their work at conferences both regionally and nationally. 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:

- About 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, Notre Dame, Washington University, Stanford, 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 Scholarship for Graduate Study, and the U.S. Department of Education's Jacob K. Javits Scholarship for Graduate Study in the Humanities.
- Undergraduate research opportunities are available in most fields, allowing students to participate in a hands-on learning environment.
- The Magis Program is a two year 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.
- Over 100 students annually present their research at professional conferences through papers or posters.
- 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.
- The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication is home to an Apple Regional Training Center – one of the few in the region.
- Many Arts and Sciences students study abroad, including programs led by Creighton's own faculty, which enable students to learn and travel in countries such as Ireland, France, Spain, Italy, China, India, Ecuador, Switzerland and El Salvador. In addition, Creighton sponsors a semester-long program in the Dominican Republic.
- The College of Arts and Sciences sponsors a variety of well-recognized co-curricular activities, including an award-winning speech and debate team, a successful Model United Nations team, and a literary magazine, *Shadows*, that regularly wins national distinction from Columbia University literary journals.