Welcome

B.A. Liberal Studies Degree Completion Program
@Napa Valley College /Solano Community College/Online

ZOOM Online Session
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Introductions

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Who are you?
Goals

SSU Degree Deliverables

• Broad and flexible skillset applicable to a variety of contexts
• Verbal and oral communication skills
• Improved Analysis and critical thinking

Leveraging Your Degree

• New professional opportunities
• Internal Advancement
Career Opportunities

- Teaching
- Government agencies
- Non-profit organizations
- Management & Human Resources
- Skills in demand (Inc.com):
  - Problem-solving, critical thinking, innovation, and creativity
  - Ability to deal with complexity and ambiguity
  - Communication
Course Format

Napa Valley College and Solano Community College Vallejo Center

Attendance will be at both campuses

Weekday Evenings (Monday—Thursday) or Saturdays

- 3-unit evening classes: 6—8:45 PM
- 4-unit evening classes: 6—9:30 PM
- Saturday classes: times scheduled between 8 AM and 6 PM

Hybrid

- Selected weekday evenings or Saturdays + online

Online

- No face-to-face meetings
- May be self-paced or require regular check-ins with class
How to Enroll

Accept applications for both Spring and Fall semester

• Spring 2021 (August 1, 2020 - September 30, 2020)
• Fall 2021 (October 1, 2020 – March 30 2021)

CalStateApply www2.calstate.edu/apply

• Set up Cal State Apply profile
• Select “Transfer” link
• be sure to select 60+ units even if you have work in progress
Entrance Requirements

60+ semester units from accredited colleges

30 units General Education at a C or better (out of 39 lower-division units needed)
  • A1 Speech, A2 Composition, A3 Critical Thinking, and B4 Math at CR/C- or better
  • Biological or Physical Science with Lab

70-unit maximum transfer from community colleges
  • Recommendation: take as much as possible before entering program
Degree Requirements

50 Units taken through SSU:

- Arts/Humanities: 15 units
- Behavioral/Social Sciences: 15 units
- Natural Sciences: 6 units
- Culminating Portfolio: 4 units
- Electives: 10 units (can include up to 6 units of **Internship**)
- Includes the required 9 units of upper-division general education

Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR):

- WIC (Writing Intensive Course): offered most Fall terms
- Written English Proficiency Test (WEPT): proctored at NVC or SCC
Required Units to Graduate

● You must complete 120 units in order to graduate.
● Transferred with fewer than 70 units, you will need to add some more units while at SSU
● Up to 6 units of Internship can be included as Electives.
   [Link](http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/napa-solano/docs/intern-instruct-n-s2020.pdf)
● Upper-division work at other colleges can be considered for electives
Completion Timeframe

Time to complete the degree (50 to 60 credits)

- At 12 units/semester: about 2 years, including some summer session units
- At 8 units/semester: about 3 years, including some summer session units
Pre-admission Advising

Prospective students are strongly encouraged to seek advising before submitting a CalStateApply application.

Visit your local community college's Transfer Center for an assessment of your CSU transferability and to take care of any missing requirements

https://ssu-seie.formstack.com/forms/dcp_transferassessment
You are an SSU student taught by SSU faculty
• Use of library and student services (NVC, Solano CC and SSU)
• Often are tenured professors
• Enjoy working with other adult students

Higher academic expectations
• Previous coursework as a foundation to build new connections

Students form a supportive learning community
• Many classes together
• Group study
• Helping hands
Tuition and Fees

Program Fee: $400 per Unit

- SEIE Administered program
- The Napa Valley-Solano Liberal Studies Degree Program is self-support program by SEIE
- Receives no state funding
- Financial Aid available
- $20,000 for the full 50 units of the program
- Books are about $250/semester if bought new
Aid Types and Payment

- Check, money order, credit card
- Programs are financial aid eligible through SSU (**FAFSA code: 001156**)  
  - [www.sonoma.edu/exed/misc/seie-finaid](http://www.sonoma.edu/exed/misc/seie-finaid)
  - Scholarship Opportunities
  - Students are eligible for all relevant SSU scholarships  
    - [www.sonoma.edu/misc/seie-scholarships](http://www.sonoma.edu/misc/seie-scholarships)
- Veterans’ Benefits
- Employer Reimbursement
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- **State Employee Fee Waivers do not apply**
Next Steps

Pre-Admission Advising [https://ssu-seie.formstack.com/forms/dcp_transferassessment](https://ssu-seie.formstack.com/forms/dcp_transferassessment)

What’s your application timeline?
• When do you want to graduate
• When to start

How do you decide when to start?
• CC advising
• SEIE advising
• Financial aid
• [https://www.assist.org/](https://www.assist.org/) (Verify the classes at your CC for admission to SSU)

General Program Information and Academic Advising
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Questions

Thank You!