Program of Study

Degree Requirements (120 hours)

1. Carolina Core (32-44 hours)
   a. CMW (6 hours) — must be passed with a grade of C or higher
      i. ENGL 101 - Critical Reading and Composition
      ii. ENGL 102 - Rhetoric and Composition
   b. ARP (6-8 hours): any approved CC-ARP course
   c. SCI (8 hours): any approved CC-SCI courses, must include two labs
   d. GFL (0-6 hours): Demonstration of proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the minimal passing grade on the exit examination in the 122 course is required. Students can demonstrate this proficiency by successfully completing Phase II of the Proficiency Test or by successfully completing the 122 course, including the exit exam administered as part of that course.
      It is strongly recommended that students continuing the study of a foreign language begin college-level study of that language in their first semester and continue in that language until their particular foreign language requirement is completed.
   c. GHS (3 hours): any approved CC-GHS course
   f. GSS (3 hours): any approved CC-GSS course
   g. AIU (3 hours): any approved CC-AIU course

   Carolina Core Stand Alone or Overlay Eligible Requirements:
   Up to two of these requirements may be met in overlay courses. At least one of these requirements must be satisfied by a course not applied elsewhere in general education. (3-9 Hours)
   h. CMS (3 hours): any approved overlay or stand-alone CC-CMS course
   i. INF (0-3 hours): any approved overlay or stand-alone CC-INF course
   j. VSR (0-3 hours): any approved overlay or stand-alone CC-VSR course

2. College Requirements (9-12 hours)
   a. PHIL 102 - Introduction to Philosophy
   b. Foreign language course (0-3 hours) — only if needed to meet 122-level proficiency
   c. Arts and Sciences Electives (6 hours): Must include two disciplines

3. Program Requirements (28-43 hours)
   a. Cognate (12 hours) — must be passed with a grade of C or higher
      The cognate cannot be a discipline included in the student’s major option. No more than six hours of transfer work may be applied to the cognate.
      A minimum of 12 hours of course work at the 300 level or above from one of the following disciplines:
      - Anthropology
      - Art
      - Business
      - Criminal justice
      - Dance
      - Economics
      - Education
      - English
      - Geography
b. **Electives** (16-31 hours)

4. **Major Requirements (36 hours)** — *a minimum grade of C is required in all major courses*

   a. **Major Courses** (9 hours)
      i. PALM 493 - South Carolina Studies
      ii. PALM 494 - Internship or PALM 495 - Service-Learning
      iii. UNIV 401 - Palmetto Senior Capstone Experience

   b. **Major Electives** (27 hours): The student’s major will be chosen from TWO of the disciplines below. All courses must be at the upper level with at least 15 hours at the 400-level or above, with the exception of Sociology, in which the following 300-level courses may be substituted for 400-level courses: SOCY 304, 305, 312, 320, 323, 340. All grades must be C or better. A minimum of 12 hours is required in each of the two disciplines. At least 15 hours must be USC courses. No more than 12 hours of the major will be accepted in transfer.

      - Art
      - English
      - History
      - Languages
      - Native American Studies *
      - Philosophy
      - Religious Studies
      - Theatre
      - Astronomy
      - Biological Sciences
      - Chemistry
      - Environmental Studies
      - Geological Studies
      - Health Promotion, Education and Behavior
      - Marine Science
      - Mathematics
      - Physics

*Courses designated as fulfilling the Native American Studies option will be listed on the BA in Liberal Studies program website.*
- Statistics
- Anthropology
- Criminology and Criminal justice
- Economics
- Geography
- Health Promotion, Education and Behavior
- Native American Studies*
- Political science
- Psychology
- Sociology

Note: *The most updated list of courses designated as fulfilling the Native American Studies option will be listed on the BA in Liberal Studies program website.