

# College of Arts and Letters at a Glance

## Who We Are

Simultaneously a dynamic hub for research and scholarship, a teaching-focused liberal arts college, and an international center for Catholic thought, the College of Arts and Letters provides its students with an education that fuels their passion for learning while preparing them to make a difference in the world. Students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills as well as the ability to communicate ideas to achieve results. The largest and oldest college at the University of Notre Dame, Arts and Letters (<http://al.nd.edu>) houses the divisions of the arts, humanities, and social sciences.

## Research, Awards, and Rankings

- Arts and Letters faculty have won 37 National Endowment for the Humanities fellowships since 1999–00, the most awarded to any university faculty in the country during this time.
- In 2008–09, Arts and Letters faculty received nearly \$16 million in external research funding.
- From 2004–2008, industrial design students won four International Design Excellence Awards, placing Notre Dame among the Top 5 schools in this regard; an industrial design student also won the Mazda Design Challenge, a nationwide competition asking participants to create a concept for the 2018 Mazda3.
- Seven Arts and Letters students were selected to participate in the Intercollegiate Studies Institute Honors Program from 2006–07 through 2008–09; the program annually recognizes “50 of the nation’s most promising undergraduates.”
- A political science and peace studies major was one of 12 recipients nationwide of a 2008–09 George J. Mitchell Scholarship.
- Notre Dame is consistently a leader among *U.S. News*’ Top 25 national universities in the percentage of undergraduates who study abroad, currently ranking second in this group according to a 2008 report from the Institute of International Education.

## Arts and Letters Undergraduate Degree Programs

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| • Africana Studies       | • English                       | • Latino Studies*          | • Program of Liberal Studies        |
| • American Studies       | • Film, Television, and Theatre | • Mathematics              | • Psychology                        |
| • Anthropology           | • French                        | • Medieval Studies         | • Romance Languages and Literatures |
| • Arabic Studies         | • Gender Studies*               | • Music                    | • Russian                           |
| • Art History            | • German                        | • Peace Studies*           | • Sociology                         |
| • Asian Studies*         | • Greek and Roman Civilization  | • Philosophy               | • Spanish                           |
| • Chinese                | • History                       | • Philosophy and Theology  | • Studio Art and Design             |
| • Classics               | • Italian                       | • Political Science        | • Theology                          |
| • Computer Applications* | • Japanese                      | • Preprofessional Studies* |                                     |
| • Economics              |                                 |                            |                                     |

\*Supplementary Major

## Arts and Letters Student Enrollment\*

Sophomores	1,039
Juniors	1,447
Seniors	1,605
Graduate students – non-degree seeking	21
Master’s	452
1 <sup>st</sup> Professional	32
Ph.D. candidates	622
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,221</b>

\* Fall 2009

## Future Plans, 2008 College of Arts and Letters Students\*

Full-time Employment	36%
Graduate or Professional School	36%
Service Program	19%
Military	3%
Seeking Employment	4%
Other Plans	2%
Average Salary	\$42,256

\* As of 6 months after graduation