

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Frequently Asked Questions

Where is the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences located?

Corner of Clifton and Fullerton: 2352 N. Clifton building, Suite 130. Phone: (773) 325-7310

How do I declare a major, minor, or concentration?

Declare your major, minor, and concentration by completing a form found on this link: www.depaul.edu/~lasugrad/forms/ugradforms.html We recommend that students declare their major by the end of sophomore year. Contact the individual departments for more information about majors, minors and concentrations.

How many credits is each class worth? How many classes do I need to take to be a full-time student?

Most DePaul courses are worth 4 quarter hours of credit. The full-time student tuition package includes 12-18 quarter hours. We recommend that students take four courses (16 quarter hours) each quarter, if their schedule allows. This ensures that students are receiving the most value for their money and staying on track for graduation.

Where do I submit supplemental transcripts, AP, IB or CLEP reports?

Send official transcripts and reports to:

DePaul University
Transfer Credit Center
1 E. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago IL 60604

What are the requirements for graduation?

To graduate from DePaul, students need to complete at least 192 quarter hours from Liberal Studies, a Major Field, Allied Field Requirements (if necessary), and Electives. Students must earn a minimum 2.0 Cumulative, Major, and Minor (if applicable) GPA with at least a C- in each Major, Minor and Allied Field course. In addition, the final 60 quarter hours must be earned at DePaul for senior residency and 50% of Major and Minor coursework must be earned at DePaul for residency. Finally, all students must apply for graduation thru Campus Connection for the term in which they plan to finish all degree requirements.

What is my GPA when I start at DePaul?

Your GPA is a 0.00. If you have previous transfer credit, the cumulative GPA from it was only used by DePaul for admission purposes.

What are the requirements to remain in good standing and be eligible for the dean's list?

Students who maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA are in good-standing. Full-time students who earn a minimum term GPA of 3.5 will be placed on the Dean's List.

What is my class-standing?

Class-standing is determined by credit hours **earned**.

Freshman = 0-43

Sophomore = 44-87

Junior = 88-131

Senior = 132 +

What is FERPA?

DePaul University is required to comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 which sets forth the requirements regarding the privacy of student records. FERPA governs the release of education records maintained by DePaul and access to these records. This law applies to all levels of education from K-12 as well as postsecondary education.

What is the Honors Program?

DePaul's Honors Program is geared toward both First-Year and Transfer students interested in a challenging, prearranged curriculum. Students in the program do not complete the Liberal Studies program, but take specific Honors courses, which often include more writing assessments, class participation and smaller class sizes. All honors students take an additional one-year foreign language sequence. Information about requirements and admission to the program can be found at www.depaul.edu/~honors or by calling (773) 325-7302.

What resources are available if I need help in my classes?

The Writing Center provides writing assistance for students, located in McGaw 150 (LPC) and at Lewis Center #1620 (LOOP). The Quantitative Reasoning Center (SAC 268) provides tutoring for students enrolled in ISP 120. First-year students can contact their Explore/ Discover Chicago professor or student mentor. Professors and faculty advisors are also excellent resources for locating tutoring. Some departments offer tutoring for students having difficulty with a specific class. For assistance with research, go to the reference desk in the library.

What classes can I take Pass/Fail?

Only open electives can be taken Pass/Fail, not Liberal Studies or Major Field courses. Students must have at least sophomore standing (minimum 44 quarter hours earned) and a GPA of 2.0 or higher. One Pass/Fail course can be taken per quarter. During a student's DePaul career, only 5 courses can be taken Pass/Fail, and only 1 per department. Once you complete the form in the LA&S Office by the deadline indicated in the academic calendar, the course must be taken Pass/Fail. Failing grades count toward your GPA!