

Faculty Senate Task Force on LIBA

The Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (Liberal B.A. or LIBA) is described on the university website as “an option for students whose educational or career goals or academic interests are not met by any of Stockton’s existing degree programs.” It is further described as an opportunity for students to “design a complete 128-credit interdisciplinary program suited to their individual needs and plans.” Notions of specialized and individualized programs of study have been a part of this institution since its conception. The student body, however, has changed dramatically and so has the institutional approach to the LIBA. As such, the Faculty Senate charges members of this task force to examine those changes and future goals of the LIBA.

Charge:

1. Research the background and history of the LIBA at Stockton.
2. Review the “Proposed Enhancements to the LIBA,” dated May 9, 2012.
3. Examine the current School-based LIBA structure, number of students enrolled, and impact on other programs.
4. Examine whether School-based LIBA are in line with Middle States requirements.
5. Prepare a proposal to be delivered to the Senate at the May 24, 2018 retreat (if more time is required, submit a formal request to the Senate for an extension).

Membership

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