

ACADEMIC ORGANIZATION

Academic Organization

The college is organized into four schools: the School of Arts and Humanities, the School of Education, the School of Natural and Social Sciences, and the School of the Professions. Each school contains specific departments responsible for the degree programs offered there. Each school reports to an academic dean who is responsible for the administration of the departments and the degree programs residing in that area. Students should consult with their dean, usually by appointment, when issues remain unresolved after having met with their department chair. All of the major areas of study or interdisciplinary programs described below fall under the responsibility of one or more of the departments.

At the time this catalog was printed, the college was undergoing academic reorganization; organization stated below is subject to change.

Each program description, beginning on page 00, gives valuable information concerning all aspects of each course of study offered at Buffalo State College. This information includes the department offering the program, the degree that is granted, an explanation of the program's content and purpose, special admission requirements, required credit hours in the major field and outside of the field, the number of electives allowed, and total degree requirements.

School of Arts and Humanities

The following undergraduate departments are in the School of Arts and Humanities: Art Education, Communication, Design, English, Fine Arts, Interior Design, Modern and Classical Languages, Music, Philosophy and Humanities, and Theater. The School of Arts and Humanities also offers interdisciplinary degree programs in arts and letters, television and film arts, and writing.

School of Education

The following undergraduate departments are in the School of Education: Educational Foundations, Elementary Education and Reading, and Exceptional Education. The School of Education also offers degree programs in individualized studies.

School of Natural and Social Sciences

The following undergraduate departments are in the School of Natural and Social Sciences: Anthropology, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences and Science Education, Economics and Finance, Geography and Planning, History and Social Studies Education, Mathematics, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology. The School of Natural and Social Sciences also offers degree programs in individualized studies.

School of the Professions

The following undergraduate departments are in the School of the Professions: Business, Computer Information Systems, Creative Studies, Criminal Justice, Dietetics and Nutrition, Health and Wellness, Hospitality and Tourism, Social Work, Speech-Language Pathology, Student Personnel Administration, and Technology (includes fashion). The School of the Professions also offers degree programs in individual studies.

University College

University College is the academic home of Buffalo State first-year and undeclared students, providing support for their transition to college life and assistance in determining their best selection of majors and careers. University College strives to serve students by being a place that challenges them to think in new ways; to make intentional and appropriate personal and academic choices; and to find meaningful connections to faculty, staff, and fellow students. University College coordinates efforts to ensure that Buffalo State students are glad they came to this college and find it a place to earn success as scholars.

Continuing Professional Studies

Continuing Professional Studies is the academic home of programs for adult students at Buffalo State College. In partnership with schools and departments, Continuing Professional Studies provides high-quality credit and noncredit courses, workshops, and certificate programs to both traditional and nontraditional learners using a variety of locations, schedules, and technologies. Continuing Professional Studies manages summer session, individualized studies, driver-safety studies graduate certificate, and online learning programming.