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**Degrees Offered**

**Master of Social Work**

**Bachelor of Arts/Science**

- **Behavioral Science**  
  - Anthropology  
  - Family Studies  
  - Sociology

- **Communication**  
  - Journalism  
  - Public Relations  
  - Speech Communication

- **Deaf Studies**  
  - General Deaf Studies  
  - Interpreting

- **English**  
  - Creative Writing  
  - Literary Studies
• Writing Studies

History
Humanities
Integrated Studies
• American Sign Language
• Anthropology
• Art History
• Communication
• English
• Ethics
• French
• German
• Graphic Design
• History
• Humanities
• Philosophy
• Photography
• Social Sciences
• Sociology
• Spanish

Philosophy
Political Science
• American Government
• World Politics
• Political Philosophy/Public Law

Psychology
Secondary Education
• ASL and Deaf Studies
• English
• History and Social Studies
• Spanish

Spanish

Bachelor of Social Work

Associate in Arts/Science
Behavioral Science
Communication
English
English with an Emphasis in Technical Communication
History and Political Science
Humanities
Philosophy

Certificate of Proficiency
Ethics
Licensed Substance Abuse Counseling
Technical Communication

Minor
Chinese Commerce
Chinese Language
Chinese Studies
Communication
Constitutional Studies
Deaf Studies
English Creative Writing
English Education
English Literary Studies
Ethics
French
German
History
Programs

Behavioral Science

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Academic Advising Appointments: [uvu.edu/besc/bescacademicadvising.html](http://uvu.edu/besc/bescacademicadvising.html)

The Behavioral Science department is a rigorous interdisciplinary program (Anthropology, Family Studies, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, and Substance Use Disorder Counseling) that prepares students to make positive contributions in their academic, work, and community settings by developing their understanding of human functioning in various contexts. We promote and mentor student engagement with each other and with their academic, professional, or geographic communities in order to achieve essential learning outcomes.

Communication

- **Department Chair:** Janet Colvin
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The Utah Valley University Communication Department is shaping students to become the next top leaders in journalism, public relations and speech communication through courses and engaged-learning experiences that are theoretically driven, innovative, and applied. The department prepares students with the necessary skills to communicate visually, orally and through written documentation within the context demanded by the business, journalism, advertising, and public relations worlds. Students are also equipped with a solid ethical foundation and an understanding of diversity and interdependence in the global community.

Programs of study in Communication at UVU offer a balance of analytic and applied approaches to study in the field. The department offers an expanding menu of beginning and advanced courses in interpersonal communication, intercultural communication, international communication, organizational communication and journalism.

Encouraging student internships, and working closely with Student Media and other units on campus, the curriculum balances traditional, academic-style learning with applied, practical approaches to study in the field.

Note: Communication students in the journalism emphasis are required to have laptop computers.

English & Literature

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The Department of English and Literature provides an innovative and stimulating learning environment to help students broaden their cultural experiences, deepen and refine their abilities in critical thinking, and improve their skills in written and verbal communication. By offering courses, programs and activities in literature, creative writing, college-level composition, and technical communication, the department aims to foster an invigorating and diverse learning community that changes the ways students envision themselves and the world, thus making them more thoughtful and productive contributors to their communities. Students pursuing English studies gain invaluable workplace skills: they think more critically and creatively; they communicate clearly and logically; they comprehend the ways language defines and affects behavior, and they come to understand the complexity of human relations in various cultural and historical contexts.

History & Political Science

- **Department Chair:** David Connelly
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In keeping with the University's mission, the History and Political Science department is dedicated to providing students with a broad range of opportunities and experiences in general-education and discipline-specific courses in history and political science. Classes are taught in ways that foster critical thinking and analysis of complex issues and materials through lecture, reading, class discussion, and the development of written- and oral-presentation skills. The History and Political Science department strives to provide a reflective, multicultural, and international perspective.

Integrated Studies

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The individualized nature of the Integrated Studies degree is attractive to students with multiple interests who want to develop skills that are relevant to a variety of careers. Students integrate course work in emphases such as science, business, health, literature, languages, communication, philosophy, behavioral science, social science and the arts. Emphases from computer science and information systems, accounting, technology and trades and physical education are also offered as part of this degree. [http://www.uvu.edu/is/](http://www.uvu.edu/is/)

**Interdisciplinary Studies Program**

- **Director:** John Goshert  
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Interdisciplinary Studies provides a framework for supporting innovative, boundary-crossing inquiry among students and faculty across campus as well as in wider intellectual and social communities. IDST coordinates existing multidisciplinary minor and emphasis programs and provides guidance and support as new programs are envisioned and established. IDST programs promote instructional excellence and offer a variety of courses and events that enhance the overall academic experience at Utah Valley University.

**Interdisciplinary Minor Programs**

- American Indian Studies
- American Studies
- Cinema Studies
- Chinese Commerce
- Chinese Studies
- Classical Studies
- Deaf Studies
- Environmental Studies
- Gender Studies
- Peace and Justice Studies
- Religious Studies
- Russian Studies
- Languages and Cultures
The Department of Languages and Cultures promotes global awareness, intercultural understanding and international insights by providing instruction in eight languages (American Sign Language, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish). The lower division courses (1000-2000 level) fulfill Associate in Arts and Bachelor of Arts program requirements; the upper division courses (3000-4000 level) apply to degree program requirements, including the Deaf Studies, ASL and Deaf Studies Education, Spanish and Spanish Education degrees, the Integrated Studies degree (emphasis in ASL, French or Spanish), and the minors in Deaf Studies, Chinese Language, French, German, Languages, Portuguese and Spanish. Language instruction is enhanced by excellent, caring instructors who are supported by a multimedia language lab focused on cutting-edge technology in the delivery of instruction and on talented, caring tutors who act as extensions to the classroom teacher by helping students understand and practice the grammar and vocabulary taught within class.

Philosophy & Humanities

[Information on Philosophy & Humanities]

The Department of Philosophy and Humanities provides critical study of the creative and intellectual underpinnings of the liberal arts curriculum that connects students to the past, present and future. Students will understand and be able to apply foundational philosophical concepts in all major disciplines, including concepts from multicultural, historical, artistic and values-conscious belief systems. The department is dedicated to enhancing critical thinking and writing skills to support student occupational and academic endeavors.