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Degrees Offered

**Master of Marriage and Family Therapy**

**Master of Social Work**

**Bachelor of Arts/Science**

Behavioral Science

• Anthropology  
  • Sociology

Communication

• Journalism and Media Studies  
  • Communication Studies  
  • Public Relations

Deaf Studies
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- General Deaf Studies
- Interpreting

English
- Creative Writing
- Literary Studies
- Writing Studies

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

Philosophy

Political Science
- American Government
- Global Politics
- Indian Affairs Administration
- Peace and Justice Studies
- Public Administration and Public Policy
- Public Law and Political Philosophy

Psychology

Secondary Education
- ASL and Deaf Studies
- English
- History and Social Studies
- Secondary French Education
- 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
- Interdisciplinary Gerontology
- Licensed Substance Abuse Counseling
- Technical Communication

**Minor**
American Indian Studies
American Studies
Chinese Commerce
Chinese Language
Chinese Studies
Cinema and Media Studies
Classical Studies
Communication
Constitutional Studies
Deaf Studies
English Creative Writing
English Education
English Literary Studies
Ethics
Environmental Studies
Family Science
French
Gender Studies
German
History
Humanities
Languages
Latin American Studies
Peace and Justice Studies
Philosophy
Political Science
Portuguese
Psychology
Religious Studies
Russian Studies
Spanish
Spanish for the Professions--Translation/Interpreting
Technical Communication
Writing Studies

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 Science, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, and Substance Use Disorder Counseling Genentology) 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:** David Morin
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The Utah Valley University Communication Department is shaping students to become the industry's next top leaders in Journalism and Media Studies, Public Relations and Communication Studies 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, marketing, public relations world. Students are also equipped with a solid ethical foundation and an understanding of diversity, interdependence, and cultural perspectives in the global community.

English & Literature

- **Department Chair:** Brian Whaley
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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

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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 Integrated Studies Program is designed to allow student to customize their degree by combining two emphases and completing a major capstone project throughout their senior year integrating both disciplines of study.

Languages and Cultures

- **Department Chair:** Sara Ulloa
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The mission of the Department of Languages and Cultures at Utah Valley University is to prepare students to interact effectively in a global community by acquiring competent communicative skills, and developing sensitivity toward cultural differences. By engaging with linguistic and cultural artifacts such as history, literature, and contemporary social structures and systems, language and culture students learn to think critically and behave ethically as they mature in linguistic and cultural literacy. This department prepares students to enter the global work force, further graduate studies and enjoy lifelong enrichment.

Philosophy & Humanities

- **Department Chair:** Leslie Simon
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The UVU Department of Philosophy and Humanities is committed to the idea that critical thinking is the core of all academic disciplines. Our students engage with the intellectual underpinnings of the liberal arts curriculum. Humanities investigates those creative enterprises that make us most human: art, architecture, music, poetry, and other innovative and aesthetic media. Philosophy explores theoretical and practical questions about reality and human experience in the pursuit of truth and understanding. Students in both programs learn how to think critically, communicate clearly and persuasively, and adapt to new perspectives and cultural insights. Skills learned in philosophy and humanities are relevant and transferable to myriad professions and promote lifelong learning and intercultural awareness.