

Humanities Department



According to Stanford University, "The humanities can be described as the study of the myriad ways in which people, from every period of history and from every corner of the globe, process and document the human experience. Since humans have been able, we have used philosophy, literature, religion, art, music...and language to understand and record our world. These modes of expression have become some of the subjects that traditionally fall under the humanities umbrella. Knowledge of these records of human experience gives us the opportunity to feel a sense of connection to those who have come before us, as well as to our contemporaries."

Here at Housatonic, our Communications, English, Theatre, Art, Foreign Language, and Philosophy offerings are designed to foster self-expression, critical thinking, and creativity and to help students to better understand themselves, others, and the ever-changing world in which we live.

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Humanities Department Disciplines:

- Art
- Foreign Language
- Literature
- Study Abroad
- Communications
- Graphic Design
- Music
- Theater Arts
- Composition
- Honors Program
- Philosophy
- Creative Writing
- Journalism
- Sign Language

HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT

HCC is an Achieving the Dream Leader College, ranked by the Aspen Institute among nation's top 150 community colleges.



Associates Degrees

Fine Arts: Art (EB20)*

Fine Arts: Illustration Option (EB79)*

Fine Arts: Photography Option (EB78)*

General Studies: Foreign Language Concentration (EB30fl)*

Graphic Design (EB33)*

Graphic Design: Multimedia Option (EB70)*

Liberal Arts & Sciences: Humanities/Behavioral & Social Sciences (EB45)*

Liberal Arts & Sciences: Journalism/Communications (EB46)*

Theater Arts (EB61)*

Associates Degrees for Transfer

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Art Studies (EG21)*

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Communication Studies (EG03)*

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: English Studies (EG05)*

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: French Studies (EG16)*

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Italian Studies (EG18)*

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Spanish Studies (EG20)*

CSCU Pathway Transfer Degree: Theater Studies (EG22)*

Fine Arts: Art Therapy Pathway Option (EB77)*

Pathway to Teaching Careers (EC35)*

Liberal Arts & Sciences: Journalism/Communications (EB46)*

Certificate

Graphics Certificate: Graphic Design (EJ91)

Theater Arts Certificate: Performance Track (EJ08)



**To learn more about Humanities courses,
programs, and activities, go to**

<https://www.housatonic.edu/current-students/academics/academic-departments/humanities?highlight=WyJodW1hbml0aWVzII0=>

Fine Arts

Associate Degree



Employment Possibilities

THE SMART PLACE TO START— ACADEMICALLY AND FINANCIALLY!

HCC's low tuition plus financial aid opportunities help make a high-quality education affordable. You could qualify for federal grants, workforce grants, scholarships, and more. Learn more about financial aid online at www.housatonic.edu/finaid or call

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ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS-

Lesley University: College of Art and Design
Montserrat College of Art and Design
Ringling College of Art and Design
Sacred Heart University

**ART CENTER REGISTRAR
ART CENTER COLLECTIONS MANAGER
ARTS EDUCATION TEACHER
DIGITAL ARTS EDUCATION TEACHER
ART GALLERY INTERN
ART GALLERY DESIGNER
MUSEUM DESIGNER
MUSEUM AND GALLERY PREPARATOR
PROGRAM ASSISTANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ART
ART ARCHIVIST
REPRESENTATIVE FOR ARTISTS
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Fine Arts - Associates Degree

- Fine Arts
- Fine Arts: Illustration Option
- Fine Arts: Photography Option
- Fine Arts: Art Therapy Pathway Option

Graphic Design - Associates Degree

- Graphic Design
- Graphic Design: Multimedia Option

Fine Arts and Graphic Design

Designers create the look of our world. The Housatonic Graphic Design program gives you an opportunity to make a start in an exciting field that is expanding rapidly. Desktop publishing has broadened the career potential for those who have design as well as computer skills.

HCC's Fine Arts program offers you the opportunity to examine the world of your imagination. Mastery of craft through extensive drawing and design studio classes will help you gain fluency in a visual language.

In Art History, you can broaden your appreciation of art and learn the cultural contexts of art from the prehistoric to the present time.

HCC faculty include practicing artists who will help you realize your potential. They'll support you and guide your development as you work to find your own voice.

Studio Spaces Designed Just for You

The new art wing offers outstanding facilities for our students. We have fully equipped computer graphics and photography labs as well as traditional studio spaces for painting, drawing, sculpture and other media.

Our students' studies will be enriched by the field trips to museums and galleries throughout New England and New York City.

Art trips are important, but you will also be able to view an astonishing variety of art right on campus. The Housatonic Museum of Art has the largest collection of any two-year college in the country and it's growing. The collection includes over 4000 pieces including, paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, and sculpture.

Among the artists included in the collection are: Picasso, Chagall, Matisse, Calder, Durer, Cezanne, Daumier, and many more. Changing exhibits by contemporary artists in the Burt Chernow Gallery reflect current trends in the art world. Additionally, the art displayed on our halls and offices confirms a school-wide commitment to the arts at HCC.

The journalism program at HCC is a hands-on, practice-based program. It is designed both to give you a wide range of useful and marketable skills for various occupations and to prepare you for transfer to a four-year college or university.



Our program is steeped in the current multimedia realities of the industry, with a focus on developing the strong writing and reporting skills that inform all of the work journalists do and the skills specific to print, online, and broadcast work.

In addition, the program allows students to have their work published in our campus media outlets and begin preparing a portfolio of published work.

In The Program, You'll Learn How To...

- Find credible sources and conduct effective interviews.
- Write, research, and revise a range of stories, including news, features, event coverage, creative non-fiction, opinion and editorial, reviews, and service journalism for online and print publication.
- Work effectively on a deadline.
- Understand and use some of the key technologies in the field.
- Develop stories for online, print, or broadcast publication.
- Undertake in-depth research.
- Understand and participate in the day-to-day operations of both online and print media outlets, and both newspapers and magazines.
- Market your writing to editors and readers.
- Use social media and other resources to build your audience.

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What Have Our Graduates Done?

- Transfer to colleges and universities all over the country, including Quinnipiac, NYU, SCSU, ECSU, CCSU, WSCU, Pace, Yale, and many more!
- Write for a wide range of newspapers, magazines, and web sites
- Develop and publish successful weekly podcasts
- Have a successful radio show on a local station
- Produce television news
- Work for ESPN
- Teach college writing and journalism
- Found and run their own publications
- Teach English and Journalism to high school students
- Work on television talk shows
- Earn a Master of Fine Arts in Professional Writing
- Work in public relations and marketing
- Found and run a successful public relations firm with a focus on small business needs
- Win an Emmy, with just a degree from HCC!

Want More Information?

Learn about program requirements for the Liberal Arts and Sciences: Journalism and Communication degree at https://catalog.housatonic.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=25&poid=2645&returnto=16275

Contact the Program Advisor, Professor Steve Mark, at smark@housatonic.edu or 203-332-5065, Beacon Hall, room 230.

Ready to Take a Course Now?

Interested in taking a class to explore the major as an option? Consider COM*116, Publications Workshop 1, in which students write for Horizons, the online student newspaper and print magazine.

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Horizons Newspaper

Housatonic Horizons is the highly regarded student newspaper of HCC, offering regular insights into the news, issues, and interests of our diverse community. Now available online, Horizons publishes new content regularly throughout the semester. The newspaper is written and produced by students who serve on the staff, primarily as a part of our Publications Workshops classes.

Horizons Magazine

Published in print and in an online “flippable” format once a semester.

Join the Horizons Staff!

Interested in earning three credits while gaining valuable experience and getting published? Want to develop useful skills for a variety of occupations and build your resume or transfer application? [Sign up for Publications Workshop 1, COM* E116](#). For more information contact Professor Steve Mark, the advisor, at SMark@hcc.commnet.edu

Visit Horizons.com! <https://housatonichorizons.com>

Student Publications

Horizons, HCC's student media outlet, is produced under the auspices of the college's journalism program and funded with a combination of student activities fees and support from the Humanities Department. Students can also receive credit for their work on Horizons by registering for Publications Workshops classes. Student-led and student-produced Horizons offers insights into the news, issues, and interests of our diverse community online throughout the academic year at housatonichorizons.com. Twice a year, Horizons also produces a full-color print magazine, free to the HCC community, that focuses on longer-form features and showcases some of HCC students' best work.

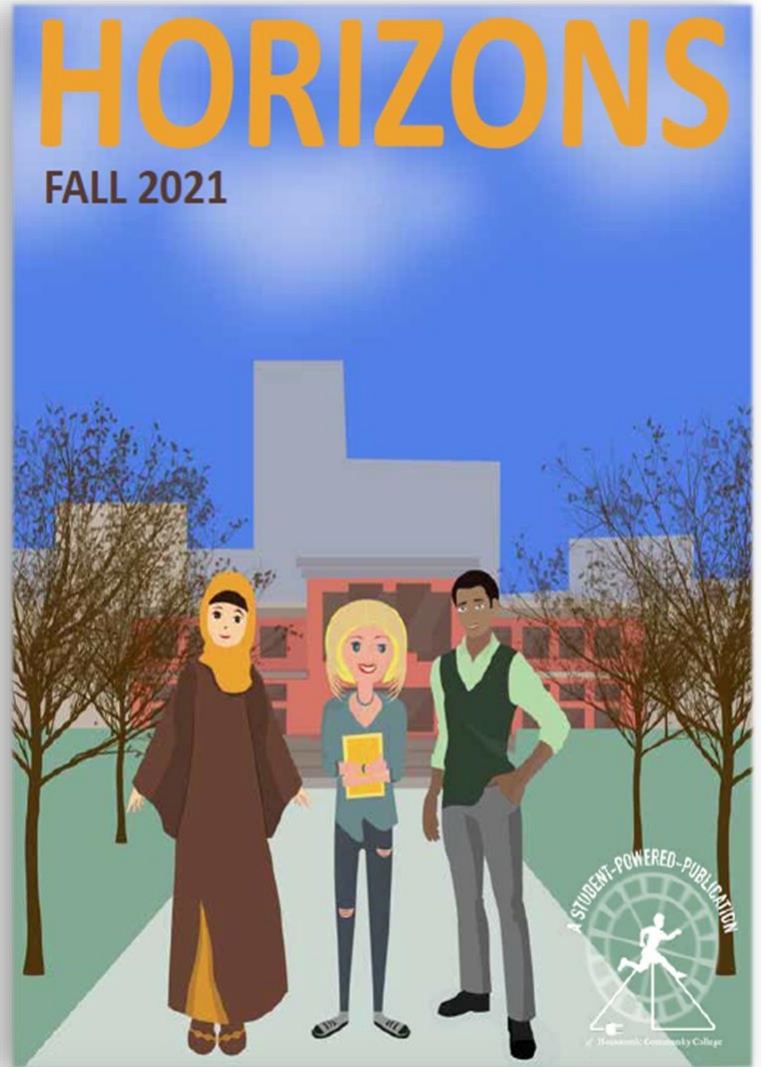
The college's literary magazine, Images, is published annually. Students are encouraged to submit essays, stories, poems, plays, and other works for consideration.

Here's the Latest Horizons Issue!



Spring 2021 Issue:

https://issuu.com/hcchorizons/docs/horizons_spring2021_final_issu__lowres_



Fall 2021 Issue:

https://issuu.com/hcchorizons/docs/horizons_fall_21_low_res_online

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Theater Arts

ASSOCIATE DEGREE

OVERVIEW

The objective of the Theater Arts Program at Housatonic Community College is to provide a strong foundation in the Theater Arts as a creative and practical enterprise, to prepare the students for transfer, internship or employment opportunities by ensuring a working knowledge of the responsibilities and requirements of these positions, and to serve as a means to empower the students to develop to their full potential through self-discovery, discipline, teamwork and creative thought inherent in the Theater Arts process.

RELATED CAREERS

Drama Teachers, Postsecondary
Actors, Entertainers and Performers
Recreation Workers
Social and Community Service Manager
Producers and Directors

**For the latest salary and career
information please visit:
onetonline.org**

CAREER READINESS SKILLS

Critical Thinking/Problem-Solving

Form creative decisions by interpreting information, opinions and data.

Oral/Written Communication

Explain thoughts and ideas effectively to people inside and outside the organization.

Teamwork

Work efficiently with diverse groups; the ability to negotiate and manage conflict maturely.

Digital Technology

Demonstrate adaptability to new emerging technology to achieve goals.

Leadership

Leverage the strength of others to achieve common goals, as well as prioritizing and delegating work.

Professionalism

Recognizing the significance of time, tasks, appearance and accountability.

Career Management

Understand how to self-advocate for opportunities, while identifying areas necessary for professional growth.

Global Perspective

Openness, inclusiveness, and sensitivity to people of diverse backgrounds and lifestyles.

CAMPUS CONTACT FOR THIS PROGRAM:
Geoff Sheehan | GSheehan@Housatonic.edu

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SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF COURSES

Prerequisite or parallel courses may be required. Please check individual course descriptions for details.

THEATER ARTS, ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Freshman Year

ENG* E101 - Composition	3 credits
THR* E110 - Acting I (Fall only)	3 credits
Elective (QUAX) - Quantitative Reasoning	3-4 credits ¹
THR* E101 - Introduction to Theater	3 credits
THR* E112 - Voice and Diction (Fall only)	3 credits
ENG* E102 - Literature & Composition	3 credits
Elective (OPEN) - Any course 100 or higher	3-4 credits ²
Elective (SCKX) - Scientific Knowledge & Understanding	3-4 credits ²
THR* E120 - Stagecraft (Spring Only)	3 credits
THR* E190 - Theater Arts Practicum I (Spring Only)	3 credits

Sophomore Year

THR* E115 - Improvisation (Fall Only)	3 credits
Elective (AESX) - Aesthetic Dimensions	3 credits
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Elective (SOCX) - Social Phenomena I	3 credits
ENG* E214 - Drama	3 credits
or ENG* E233 - Shakespeare (3 credits)	
THR* E124 - Dance, Movement & Expression	3 credits
or THR* E125 - Dance as Cultural Expression (3 credits)	
ENG* E281 - Creative Writing	3 credits
or ENG* E282 - Creative Writing- Poetry (3 credits)	
or ART* E206 - Film Study (3 credits)	
Elective (SOPX) - Social Phenomena II	3 credits
THR* E210 - Acting II (Spring only)	3 credits
THR* E225 - Directing (Spring only)	3 credits

Total Credits: 60 - 63

¹ Must be higher than MAT* E137

² For AESX, SCKX and/or Open electives, the Theater Program strongly suggests the following courses: COM* E201, BMK* E201, BMK* E216, BMG* E226, ENG* E233, ENG* E214, BIO* E111, THR* E290, and DAN* E125.

NOTE: For degree completion the student must complete the Computer Literacy Requirement.

NOTE: A minimum of 15 credits must be taken in 200-level courses.

Interested in studying a foreign language?

HCC provides a number of opportunities for students to pursue foreign language study. We offer courses in Arabic, French, Italian, Latin and Spanish, transfer degrees in Spanish, French and Italian, and a General Studies Foreign Language Certificate Concentration.

Before enrolling in a course, students must be advised and may have to take our Foreign Language placement exam.

The Foreign Language tests are comprised of a brief survey and a series of multiple-choice questions that takes about 20 minutes to complete. The scores and the language background data will be used to place students into the appropriate level Spanish or French course. The Placement test helps instructors balance their classes with students at the same level. There is no charge for the test.

The placement test is used to determine a student's proficiency level in Spanish or French and is only for course placement--no college credit will be given as a result of this exam. The results from this test **do not** constitute completion of any second language or humanities requirement. **College credit can be awarded by taking a CLEP exam for a fee (see CLEP information under Testing Services on the Housatonic website).

Who do I contact for advising?

To begin the advising process, you must first complete [the Foreign Language Questionnaire](#). Once submitted, you will receive an email from one of our foreign language Faculty members indicating your next steps.

Who must take the exam?

Any student who has not taken a college-level Spanish, French or Italian course is required to take the Placement test.

Arabic prior to enrolling in a course.

Visiting students from other institutions need to contact Prof. Ortiz (jortiz@housatonic.edu) directly.

How can I prepare for the exam?

There are no special topics to study before the test; the test is designed to diagnose your current knowledge of the language.

How will I know my course placement?

Test scores are available immediately upon completion of the exam. After completing the test, along with your results, you will be informed of the specific course you have been placed in.

How do I schedule an exam?

The test is offered year-round online. Students interested in registering for a foreign language course must first complete [the Foreign Language Questionnaire](#). Once submitted, additional instructions will be sent via email should you need to take an exam.

Should you have any additional questions, please contact:

Jamilet Ortiz at JOrtiz@housatonic.edu

**Foreign Language
Questionnaire Link:**

[https://www.tinyurl.com/
HCCFLquestionnaire](https://www.tinyurl.com/HCCFLquestionnaire)



The Tower of Belem in Lisbon, Portugal, Spring 2019.

Study abroad is an increasingly important part of the college experience. Exploring new cultures can be life changing, and many students point to their time abroad as the defining aspect of their education. HCC offers the opportunity to travel internationally and earn college credit. Faculty-led international education programs offer a great alternative to the traditional study abroad experience. Competitively priced, these tours give you the flexibility to take your coursework around the globe in just 1-2 weeks

College Credit: All trips are components of either HUM 119 or a Special Topics course. All student travelers are required to enroll in the associated course in order to take part in the trip. 3-6 credits may be earned as well as fulfillment of major or elective requirements such as Humanities, Social Phenomena II and Global Knowledge.

For more information about earning college credit, contact:

Prof. Jamilet Ortiz at JOrtiz@housatonic.edu

Summer 2022

Destination: Paris, Provence, and Barcelona



Paris, Provence, and Barcelona

Dates: June 22 - July 1, 2022

Cost: \$4355 (not including tuition) Payment plans and [financial aid](#) available.

Prof. Jamilet Ortiz at JOrtiz@housatonic.edu

For More Study Abroad Information: [HUM 119 2022](#)

HCC Study Abroad Student Blog:

Learn More About our Recent Trips

<http://humanities119.blogspot.com>

The HCC Honors program is a special interdisciplinary academic sequence consisting of four courses. It provides an opportunity for our college's strongest students to work closely with individual faculty in a specific field of interest, to develop academic leadership skills with other honors program students, and to pursue a semester-length independent study project in a specific field.

Benefits of the Program: Why Honors Students Commit to Extra Work

Students who complete all four requirements of the program earn HCC degrees with the specific designation "Housatonic Scholars." This designation is marked on official college transcripts, and each class completed in the program is designated as a special "Honors Course." Honors students are especially attractive to four-year institutions; they are sought after by admissions committees and transfer counselors because they have a proven academic track record. Moreover, honors students have been especially successful in obtaining grants, funding awards, and a wide array of scholarships to further their studies. If you plan to continue your studies towards bachelor's level work (and beyond!), participating in the honors program puts you at a distinct advantage in terms of admission and potential scholarships.

The 4-course Sequence for the Honors Program

To complete the honors program, students must take the following four classes:

- In-Class Honors (extra work in any class in your course of study)
- In-Class Honors (extra work in a second class of your choice)
- HONORS SEMINAR HN 200 (an annual interdisciplinary seminar offered every fall--for honors students only)
- INDEPENDENT STUDY HN 225 (a semester length study project negotiated with a faculty member you choose)

The first two In-Class Honors classes give students opportunities to work closely with faculty in your chosen field. The Honors Seminar HN 200 introduces a range of research and academic presentation skills in order to prepare students to take on the challenge of designing their own semester-length project of study in HN 225.

To qualify for the Honors program students need to have completed 12.0 credit hours, earned 3.50 G.P.A. or higher and selected a major (like General Studies, Criminal Justice, Early Childhood Education, ... etc.). An official Honors Program application consists of two brief faculty reference forms, a brief info. sheet, a copy of your transcript and a brief interview with the Honors Program Coordinator, Kirk T. Hughes, PhD in the Humanities Department. Your next step:

E-mail Honors Coordinator, Kirk T. Hughes at KHughes@hcc.commnet.edu

Include "HCC Honors Program" and your full name in the subject line, and we'll e-mail application forms to you right away.