



## **Liberal Studies B.A.**

***(Offered by Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey)***

### **Admission Requirements:**

Requires an AA, AS or AAS degree. Admission to Rutgers University programs is competitive. The credentials of all applicants are evaluated on an individual basis to determine eligibility for admission to Rutgers University.

### **How to Apply:**

Applications may be completed online at [www.admissions.rutgers.edu](http://www.admissions.rutgers.edu). Applicants should be sure to choose *Liberal Studies at Western Monmouth* as the school choice in *Question 17* of the online application. Completed application materials must be submitted before admission can be granted to Rutgers University. This includes: application, application fee, official high school transcript/or/proof of GED, and all previous college transcripts. Applicants to the program must also have completed, or be in the process of completing, an Associate's Degree. In some circumstances, applicants who have completed 60 or more credits but do not have an Associate Degree, may also be considered for admission. Such applicants must meet with the Manager of Academic Programs prior to completing an application. There is a \$60 application fee.

### **Application Deadlines:**

Priority deadlines of January 15 for Fall admission and October 1 for Spring. Applications will be accepted after these dates on a space available basis.

### **Part-Time/Full-Time:**

Students may be part-time or full-time.

### **Location:**

Rutgers University courses are offered at the Western Monmouth Higher Education Center in Freehold.

### **Tuition:**

Part-time: \$304.00/credit plus semester fees.

Full-time \$4,773.00 plus semester fees (09-10 tuition rate)

**Please note: these tuition rates are subject to change.**

### **Transfer Credit:**

A maximum of 64 credits may be accepted for transfer credit.

### **Degree FAQ:**

#### **How many credits are required?**

120 credits are required for the BA in Liberal Studies.

#### **Can I attend courses at the home campus as well?**

Students may only take courses at the Western Monmouth Higher Education Center in Freehold.

#### **Once enrolled in this degree, can I take any additional Brookdale classes to count towards this degree?**

This will be determined on a case by case basis in consultation with a Rutgers academic advisor. Enrolled students should not take any courses at Brookdale without the explicit permission of Rutgers University.

## **What can I expect upon applying to Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey?**

### **Admission Letter:**

Depending on the time of year that you apply, you will receive a reply to your admission application approx. 2-4 weeks after submitting complete application materials.

### **Transfer Evaluation:**

An official evaluation of your transfer credit will not be done until you accept your offer of admission to Rutgers University and have paid the \$125.00 "acceptance fee". Liberal Studies students can expect a curriculum evaluation from Rutgers University-Camden 2-6 weeks after the acceptance fee has been processed. Students will then meet with the Rutgers representative in Freehold, who is also the academic advisor for the Liberal Studies program.

### **Registration Information:**

Once a student has met with the academic advisor in Freehold, he/she can then register. New students must register in person with the Manager of Academic programs. Students may register online in subsequent semesters.

### **Financial Aid:**

Financial Aid is available to all degree students. Students must start the financial aid process by completing a FAFSA form at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Information specific to Rutgers University can be found at <http://studentaid.rutgers.edu>. Financial aid for Western Monmouth Students is administered by the campus that sponsors their individual program. See the list below for appropriate contact information. Liberal Studies students can call the Camden Financial Aid Office at 856-225-6039 with any financial aid related questions.

### **Disability Services:**

Students with disabilities who may need accommodations should contact the Office of Disability Services at 732-932-2848 or [dsoffice@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:dsoffice@rci.rutgers.edu). Information is also available at <http://disabilityservices.rutgers.edu>.

*Interested students may schedule an appointment with a Community advisor by calling 732-280-7090*

[www.njcommunity.org](http://www.njcommunity.org)