**Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS)**

**Program Path:**

**IDS Type:** Unrestricted IDS

**Program Type:** Floating IDS Program

**Description:** The Master of Arts in Liberal Studies at Reed College is a graduate program in the liberal arts and sciences. It is intended for those students who wish to pursue interdisciplinary graduate work in a rigorous program that is both flexible and diverse. With no specific vocational or professional orientation, the MALS degree is an alternative to the highly specialized course of study characteristic of most graduate programs. The pursuit of wisdom suggests that one needs more than specialized knowledge or mastery of one particular technique. One must study the heritage of the modern world and develop the ability to see people, ideas, and events from a perspective that is wider than one’s own. The Reed MALS program provides motivated adults with just such an opportunity. (From website.)

**Program Structure:**

**Admission Requirements:** Application, Official Undergraduate Transcripts, (2) Letters of Recommendation, Interview

**Credit Hours:** 9 units (1 unit=4 semester hours/6 quarter hours)

**Required Coursework:** None

**Individually Selected Coursework:** 8 units, Electives

**Exit Courses & Work:** 1 unit, Degree paper

**Established Department(s) of Focus:** Open

**Program Statistics:**

**Faculty:** Faculty rotate annually; 8 offer courses each year, and 4 to 8 direct degree papers

**Students:** Resident students only; part-time allowed

**Program History:** Established in 1966

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