The College of Inner Awareness, Metaphysical and Spiritual Studies
School of Spiritual Metaphysical Liberal Arts
Associates of Spiritual Metaphysical Liberal Arts

Standards for Graduation

Metaphysical Liberal Arts

The CIAMSS Metaphysical Liberal Arts curriculum is aimed at imparting general knowledge and developing general intellectual capacities, in contrast to a professional, vocational, or technical curriculum. Following completion of their undergraduate studies, Metaphysical Liberal Arts graduates can enter into specialized training. In modern academia, the Arts are usually grouped with or a subset of the Humanities. Some subjects in the Humanities are history, linguistics, literature, and philosophy.

Undeclared Specialties

What is an Undeclared Specialty? (It is one of the most popular majors in American Colleges and Universities.) Many students are uncertain as to what area of study they would like to pursue. Students usually have so many interests that they have difficulty narrowing their choices from among a variety of areas. The CMS curriculum is extensive and we encourage new students to wait until they have tried a variety of courses before actually declaring a specialty.

CIAMSS students have the advantage of a Faculty Advisor who works with them on their specialty and career selection process. New students are especially encouraged to work closely with their faculty advisor early in their learning experience.

When do I have to declare a specialty?

You should begin the courses specific to your degree program early in your CIAMSS learning experience. Students must formally declare a specialty once they have completed a Spiritual/Metaphysical Liberal Arts Associate or Bachelor Degree. Some programs, however, have a more structured order in which courses must be completed. Students should declare their intentions as early as possible.

Can I change my specialty?

With the approval of the faculty advisor, students may declare a new specialty as often as they wish. Graduation delays occur when students switch specialties too frequently and are unable to complete the necessary courses.

If I am undeclared, how will I register for courses?

All new CIAMSS students are assigned a faculty advisor - someone to monitor your progress, help you explore areas of interest, register you for courses and guide you through your learning experience at CIAMSS.

All students, regardless of their specialty, are required to take a series of prescribed courses throughout the General Education or Foundation curriculum. Students who have not declared a specialty can start taking the General Education courses along with electives that may become part of a major.