You Have Options. The Choice is Yours.

There are three paths from which you can choose to fulfill the Human Inquiry Requirement.

Path 1: The Interdisciplinary Concentration or Second Major

Option A
This consists of a minimum of six courses addressing a common theme, similar in that sense to major or minor programs. They are different, however, in that courses comprising particular concentrations must include a range of the three broad sectors of human inquiry.

The student has the option to choose from 20 approved interdisciplinary concentrations or a second major.

Path 2: The Self-Designed Interdisciplinary Concentration or Second Majors

Option B
This addresses the same three broad sectors; however, students are invited to design their own concentration or second major. Under the sponsorship of at least two faculty members who teach in the chosen disciplines, the student can design the program from plan of studies to coursework and assessment.

Path 3: The Breadth Distribution

Option C
This path consists of a nine-course set of distribution requirements. Each of the three broad sectors of human inquiry is sub-divided into two domains. Students satisfy Option C by completing three courses in each broad sector, with at least one course from each domain—nine courses altogether. Students can choose courses for this requirement across all disciplines.
What Makes Our Liberal Learning Program Exceptional?

The College of New Jersey’s Liberal Learning program helps ensure that students learn the fundamentals of reasoning, communicating, and living in today’s world. Through Liberal Learning, the College aims to educate students for citizenship in a modern democracy, while encouraging intellectual and scholarly growth.

TCNJ’s Liberal Learning curriculum means fewer, more intensive courses and more options for interdisciplinary study.

Structural Elements

Our Liberal Learning Program has three interdependent structural elements:

**Intellectual and Scholarly Growth** enables tomorrow’s leaders to gain habits of mind necessary to study and understand human knowledge and how it applies to complex problems.

**Civic Responsibility** relates beliefs, values, and intellectual habits to their civic role in society.

**Human Inquiry** fosters familiarity with essential knowledge about broad sectors of human inquiry, which enables students to be conversant in the larger range of intellectual discourse.

Take Charge of Your Education

TCNJ’s Liberal Learning Program gives you the power to take charge of your education. By selecting and designing Interdisciplinary Concentrations, you can explore and study content that is of interest to you while developing a broader and deeper understanding of the world in which you live.

Explore the possibilities! Visit us online to learn more about the Liberal Learning curriculum at TCNJ, and the option that would work best for you:

**General Liberal Learning Information:**
http://www.tcnj.edu/~liberal

**Interdisciplinary Concentrations Information:**
http://www.tcnj.edu/~liberal/concentrations

First Seminar Program

As part of the Liberal Learning Program, the First Seminar enables first-year students to engage in an intellectually exciting and challenging experience in a small, seminar-style class. Topics are selected by instructors and announced in advance so students can make selections according to their interests. For more information on the First Seminar Program, visit us online at http://www.tcnj.edu/~liberal/fsp.

Learning Communities

All first-year students who elect to live on campus are assigned to Learning Communities based on their First Seminar selection. These residence halls offer first-year social and educational programming designed to complement the academic experience and meet the needs of students.