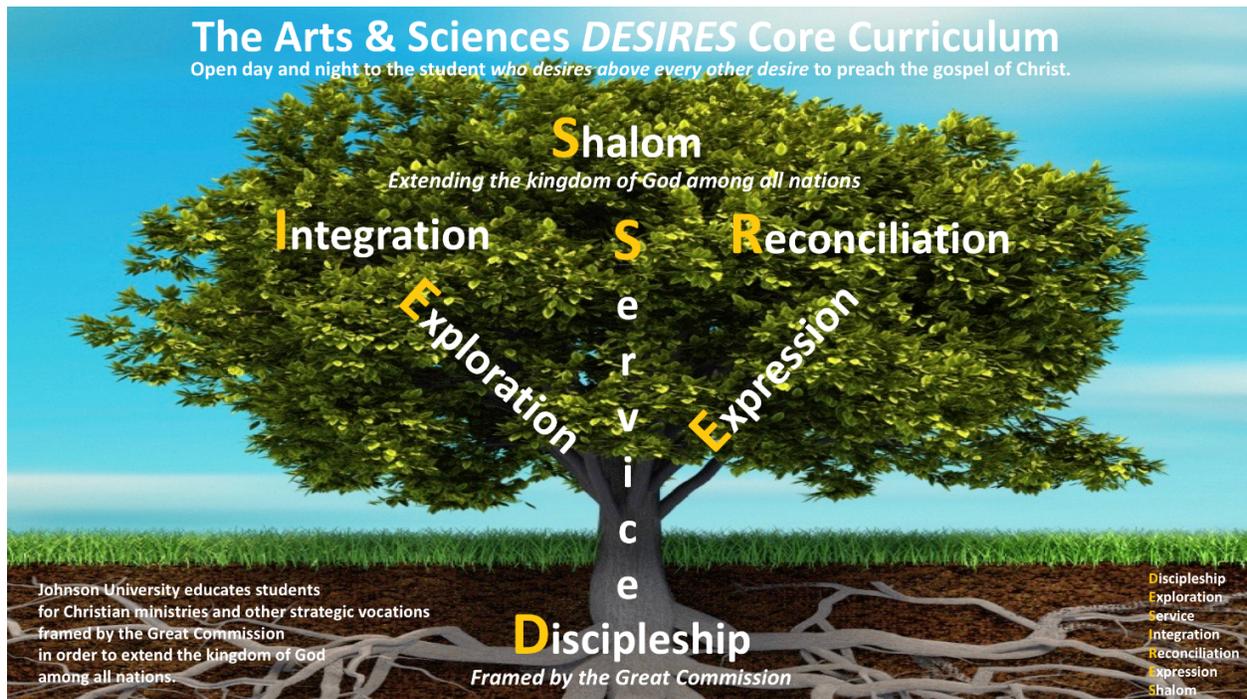


Arts & Sciences Core Curriculum

Overview. For 125 years, Johnson University's Arts & Sciences core curriculum has served a crucial role in educating students *who desire above every other desire* to preach and live out the gospel of Christ (Ashley Johnson). As a Great Commission university seeking to equip students to make disciples of Jesus Christ among all nations (Matthew 28:18-20), our desire is that every graduating student demonstrates the profound love for God and neighbor modeled by Jesus and taught in his Gospel. We believe this kind of love is cultivated by encountering God's love, God's word, and God's world through the lifelong perspectives and practices of extending God's kingdom on earth in such a way that the heavenly desires of God (*Shalom*) might be fulfilled in our lives and in our service.



Goals: The seven overarching goals of the Arts & Sciences core curriculum are intended to guide students toward a lifelong journey of growing in Christ, as they love, serve, and lead others in their personal and professional lives. We believe students who desire the instruction of the Lord and meditate upon it day and night are like trees planted by streams of water who bear the fruit of human flourishing (*Shalom*) in whatever they do (Psalm 1). Johnson University's *Discipleship* community forms the roots from which the Arts & Sciences Curriculum grows. *Service* forms the trunk connecting every facet of learning. *Exploration* and *Expression* are the branches upon which the photosynthesizing leaves of *Integration* and *Reconciliation* grow. Each element of the curriculum is designed to organically foster graduates capable of bearing the fruit of extending the kingdom of God (*Shalom*) in every facet of society, in every society on earth.

Student Learning Outcomes: While every course in the Arts & Sciences general education curriculum is guided by our overall goals, our student learning outcomes are specifically targeted in particular courses.

Framed by the Great Commission...

DISCIPLESHIP: Graduates (will be able to) *demonstrate understanding of the gospel and apply personal and corporate spiritual practices to know and love both God and neighbor.*

EXPLORATION: Graduates (will be able to) *apply research methodologies from diverse sources and disciplines to understand the global human experience.*

SERVICE: Graduates (will be able to) *demonstrate the ability to assess and organize appropriate responses to the needs of others through reflective engagement and servant leadership to church, community, creation and “the least of these.”*

INTEGRATION: Graduates (will be able to) *connect, interpret, and synthesize their understanding of the human experience with a Christian worldview.*

RECONCILIATION: Graduates (will be able to) *demonstrate the value of fostering social justice and relational unity between people of diverse perspectives, creeds, cultures, and ethnicities.*

EXPRESSION: Graduates (will be able to) *demonstrate the ability to read, comprehend, and create new and original works in oral, written and artistic mediums.*

SHALOM: Graduates (will be able to) *demonstrate intercultural competency and engagement.*

...In order to extend the kingdom of God among all nations.

Modality: Johnson University offers the Arts & Sciences Core face-to-face at its Tennessee (JUTN) and Florida (JUFL) campuses, as well as in an Online (JUOL) format.

Arts & Sciences Core Requirements: Florida and Tennessee students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree complete a 62-credit version of the Arts & Sciences core curriculum, which includes two years of foreign language study. Florida and Tennessee students seeking a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree complete a 56-credit version, which includes additional courses in the applied and social sciences. Online students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree complete a 58-credit version of the Arts & Sciences core curriculum, which includes two years of foreign language study. Online students seeking a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree complete a 52-credit version, which includes additional courses in the applied and social sciences.