

# HIGHLIGHTS

The College of Liberal Arts delivers on the ideal of a well-rounded education, offering a rich variety of majors in the humanities, the social sciences, and interdisciplinary studies. The largest academic college at UNLV, we help our students develop an array of intellectual skills, a variety of methodologies for understanding the world, the tools to adapt to changing environments, and a broad base of knowledge.



## POINTS OF PRIDE

- The lion's share of UNLV's Distinguished Professors, recognized for their international accomplishments as both teachers and scholars, are on the faculty of the College of Liberal Arts.
- The English Department's doctoral program in creative writing has been recognized as one of the top five in the country by the *Atlantic Monthly* magazine. Its graduates have won a host of national honors, and their novels and short stories are getting serious attention, including notice in the *New York Times Sunday Book Review* and in London's *Guardian*.
- UNLV's Women's Research Institute of Nevada is a member of the National Council for Research on Women, a prestigious network of more than 100 leading U.S. research and policy centers that help create more equitable opportunities for women and girls.
- David Holland, assistant professor of history at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, has won the 2011 Nevada Professor of the Year award in the U.S. Professors of the Year Program, which recognizes excellence in undergraduate academic instruction.
- Medical anthropologist Daniel Benyshek is working with the National Institute of Health to explore ways to reduce life-style based diabetes among Native Americans. His research has been noted in *Time Magazine*.
- Psychology professor Courtney Warren explores the cultural and social factors that influence the development and treatment of eating disorders. She is the winner of the Samuel M. Turner Early Career Award for Distinguished Contributions to Diversity in Clinical Psychology as well as the Award for Excellence in Addiction Research and Education from the Foundation for Recovery.

- Students earning advanced degrees in public history are helping to preserve the heritage at Walking Box Ranch, created by bygone Hollywood royalty Clara Bow and Rex Bell, a getaway and working ranch. Once completed, the Walking Box Ranch will house a museum and desert research facilities.

## COMMUNITY

- Thinkers and writers from around the world come to UNLV's Black Mountain Institute and bring a wealth of perspectives to Las Vegas through their public readings, panel discussions, and residencies. BMI guests have included Henry Louis Gates Jr., Toni Morrison, Jane Smiley, Wole Soyinka, Derek Walcott, and Joyce Carol Oates.
- The U.S. Department of Justice awarded faculty in the Sociology Department a \$400,000 grant to work with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department to explore smart policing initiatives in Las Vegas neighborhoods.
- The University Forum Lecture series brings nationally and internationally renowned experts to Las Vegas every semester to present lectures on a variety of topics, from dinosaurs to water rights, from concert virtuosos to famous writers. The lectures are free and open to the public.
- The Psychological Assessment and Testing Clinic provides assessment and testing on a sliding-fee basis. The clinic works with adults and children and can help determine whether a person has attention deficit disorder, autism spectrum disorder, or a learning disability.
- A new mental health clinic known as The PRACTICE (Partnership for Research, Assessment, Counseling, Therapy and Innovative Clinical Education) is a full-service mental health center that provides a confidential setting for residents to receive low-cost, quality mental health services. The PRACTICE is jointly operated by psychology, educational psychology, and counselor education professionals from the colleges of liberal arts and education.

## ALUMNI

College of Liberal Arts graduates make a significant impact wherever their careers take them. Many leaders in education, business, government, gaming, and nonprofit sectors are alumni. Here are some you might have heard about:

**Carlos Campo** – president, Regent University

**Phyllis Darling** – Milken Educator Award Winner, Red Cross executive

**Pat Mulroy** – general manager of the Southern Nevada Water Authority

**Gina Polovina** – vice president, Boyd Gaming

**Tony Sanchez** – senior vice president, NV Energy

**Vu Tran** – writer, winner of O. Henry and Whiting Writers awards, creative writing professor at the University of Chicago

**Billy Vassiliadis** – president, R&R Partners

## College of Liberal Arts Facts

### Enrollment & Faculty

Undergraduate students:	5,391
Graduate students:	275
Full-time faculty	152

### Programs

Anthropology  
 English  
 Foreign Languages  
 History  
 Interdisciplinary Programs  
     Afro-American Studies  
     Asian Studies  
     Gerontology  
     Great Works  
     Latin American Studies  
     Latino/a Studies  
     Multidisciplinary Studies  
     Women's Studies  
 Philosophy  
 Political Science  
 Psychology  
 Sociology

### Degrees

Bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees

### Resources and Centers

Black Mountain Institute  
 Center for Democratic Culture  
 English Language Center  
 Language Resource Center  
 The PRACTICE  
 Psychological Assessment and Testing Clinic  
 Student Support Center  
 Wilson Advising Center  
 Women's Research Institute of Nevada  
 Writing Center