

UC's McMicken College of Arts & Sciences

The McMicken College of Arts & Sciences is at the core of every UC student's education and intellectual development. We provide the intellectual foundation for all disciplines, and we create synergies in learning and discovery with benefits that extend beyond the university to our city and to communities around the world.

The following list of distinctive qualities reflects our identity as connective force, active throughout the intellectual landscape of the university.

1. A&S features an integrated teacher/research/community model: a symbiosis of instruction, scholarly work, and service to the community.
2. Guiding educational principles combine
 - a. a commitment to the fundamentals of math and science,
 - b. rigorous training in inquiry, critical reflection, effective communication, and ethics, and
 - c. an emphasis on a holistic perspective of the world, responsible leadership, and an awareness of self and others.

Our curriculum adds value to the university through cross-listed courses, interdisciplinary team-teaching, capstone and experiential learning, internships, research opportunities, international exposure, and community-based service learning.

3. This is a no-walls college with collaborations and synergies across departmental, college, and university boundaries. Cross-college connections allow us to balance broad-based fundamental knowledge with practical applications. These connections empower us to pursue developing fields and address challenges related to social, cultural, demographic and environmental changes upon us.
4. Disciplinary and interdisciplinary research and scholarship, both in foundational and applied areas, fosters achievement at the highest levels of national and international recognition, vital to the prestige and reputation of the university.
5. Departments and programs engage strongly with the city of Cincinnati and its surrounding area, forming a partnership that strives to continuously improve the community we live in.
6. We are at the forefront of UC's global engagement, both in terms of our expertise in international communities of scholars and in our international cooperation, drawing strength from our diversity and our vibrant urban setting.