The Accelerated Degree START Program

Mission Statement
Albright College’s Graduate and Professional Division strives to provide a strong liberal arts education that encourages lifelong learning through programs designed specifically to help adult students achieve their personal and professional goals.

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The Accelerated Degree START Program (DSP) is for adult students who come to Albright College with few or no college credits. It offers the opportunity to complete the General Studies portion of their college courses while working full time, by attending classes only one night a week. Our unique program makes it possible to finish General Studies course work as quickly as full-time day students – in two years or less.

The Accelerated DSP is dedicated to providing adult students with the skills to pursue life-long learning in support of personal, academic, and career growth. At Albright, we seek to ensure both breadth of educational experience and mastery of skills essential to all well-educated individuals. We feel that an Albright education is a true partnership, and we are dedicated to fostering the mutual support and respect of students, faculty, and staff.

As a result of their work in the Degree START Program, students will have academic training that will help them to:
1. Learn and develop within an environment of academic freedom and responsibility
2. Gain a liberal arts education that is grounded in the real world
3. Become skilled at thinking and analyzing critically
4. Learn from and work effectively with a group of peers
5. Improve written and verbal organization and communications
6. Gain a well-rounded set of skills that are highly valued in today’s changing career environment
7. Interpret and function in the social, economic, and political environment
8. Appreciate other cultures
9. Understand and utilize ethical principles in developing their own psychological and moral capabilities
10. Work within a supportive environment to attain the education necessary to achieve your personal and career goals

We invite you to visit www.albright.edu/catalog/academics/html to read a comprehensive list of the objectives of Albright's General Studies Program.

Need additional information or an evaluation?
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Founded in 1856, Albright is a nationally ranked, liberal arts, coeducational college located on a 110-acre campus in Reading, PA. Albright enrolls approximately 1400-day students from 26 states and 21 foreign countries and over 600 students in our Graduate and Professional Division.

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