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FOREWORD

La Salle College, conducted by the Brothers of the Christian Schools, is a fully accredited Liberal Arts college. The special objective of its educational program is to provide abundant opportunity for the students to achieve the high ideals of Catholic living.

The Federal Government has made adequate provision for the education of the veteran. In keeping with this generosity, the administration and the faculty have extended every facility of the College to accommodate fourteen hundred men—more than three times the pre-war enrollment.

Nevertheless, the standards of instruction have been maintained at the same high level which obtained before 1941. Through participation in the program of the Federal Works Agency, additional facilities for veterans are being constructed for recreational, social and athletic activities.

This Supplement to the General Catalogue is offered as an interim publication at a time when the rate of expansion is so rapid that the demand for information cannot be met in the usual manner. A more detailed description of course offerings will be given to those who qualify for admission.

Many veterans and non-veterans will seek admission to La Salle College in the fall of 1947. It is regretable that all qualified applicants cannot be accommodated. Selection will be based upon the date of application, the quality of the high school record, and the results of an entrance examination.
GENERAL INFORMATION

HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

In 1863 the late Right Reverend James Frederick Wood, D.D., then Bishop of Philadelphia, in conjunction with a committee consisting of Brothers of the Christian Schools, Reverend Clergy, and laymen obtained from the State of Pennsylvania a charter incorporating La Salle College in Philadelphia.*

Their aim was to supply within the limits of Philadelphia the service of a college for higher Catholic education. The nucleus of La Salle College had already been formed in September, 1862, as the Christian Brothers' Academy attached to St. Michael's Parochial School, at 1419 North Second Street. When the number of students became too large for the accommodations afforded by the building on Second Street, the property at the northeast corner of Filbert and Juniper Streets, where the Philadelphia Bulletin now stands, was purchased. For nearly twenty years it remained thus centrally located and was a landmark in the Penn Square section until increasing enrollment forced its faculty to seek larger quarters. In September, 1886, it removed to the Bouvier Mansion at the northwest corner of Broad and Stiles Streets.

Increasing numbers again, as well as the demands of modern education, required another removal to a larger site, and in June, 1926, a tract of land at Twentieth Street and Olney Avenue was purchased for the erection of buildings which would meet these requirements. The college and faculty buildings were completed in June, 1929, and were occupied in September. Ground was broken for the college gymnasium and the preparatory school in May, 1929. These latter buildings were ready for use during the first semester of the school year 1929-1930.

During the summer of 1937 the east and west stands of the McCarthy Stadium were erected, providing seating accommodations for nearly ten thousand spectators. In 1938 the adjoining ten acres, east of the college, were purchased. The erection of the stadium, as well as the purchase of the additional property was due, to a great extent, to the inspiration, business ability, and generosity of

* An act to incorporate La Salle College in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., approved March 20, 1863.
John A. McCarthy, K.C.S.G., and many loyal alumni and friends whose names will never be forgotten as long as there is a La Salle College.

On September 23, 1940, McShain Hall was dedicated by Cardinal Dougherty. This residence building is named in honor of John McShain, an outstanding alumnus whose generosity made possible this new building.

STATEMENT OF AIMS

The faculty of La Salle College recognizes that its ultimate aim is that of Catholic education in general, namely, the development of personality in the light of the cultural and intellectual heritage of the past and as befits the spiritual dignity of man under the direction of the ideals of Christ. The program of studies is so ordered as to provide a liberal education which will accomplish this objective. Through a liberal education, the faculty hopes to bring about the combined development of the moral and intellectual powers of its students; to cultivate intellectual excellence in accordance with the principles of Catholic philosophy; to emphasize Christian morality as the vital force in character formation and the animating principle of sound citizenship.

To attain these aims the faculty of the college endeavors, more specifically: to conserve and to develop the moral character and religious knowledge of its students; to acquaint its students with the social and religious factors which have entered into the making of western civilization and that contribute to the solution of contemporary problems; to provide a liberal culture by training in language, literature, history, correlated as intimately as possible with scholastic philosophy; to give by means of the natural sciences, biology and mathematics, a thorough training in scientific method and a basis of sound scientific thinking; to maintain a cultural environment and a stimulating atmosphere for the mind and soul of aspiring youth; to present the informational background and technical training necessary for successful study in professional schools; and to encourage participation in such recreational activities as are physically wholesome and socially sound.
ADMISSION TO THE COLLEGE

La Salle College admits to the Freshman class applicants who, in the opinion of the Committee on Admissions, are qualified to profit by the educational program of the college. Consideration shall be given not only to scholastic ability, but also to the character of the applicant and the interest which he manifests in the entire program of the college.

The scholastic qualifications for admission shall consist of a certificate of graduation from an approved senior high school and a qualifying grade in entrance examinations administered by the college.

A prospective student should file application for admission as early as possible before the term which he wishes to enter. Application blanks may be obtained from the office of the Director of Admissions.

A transcript of the high school record should be sent from the Principal's office to the Director of Admissions as early as possible. The form for this transcript will be furnished with the application blank.

The high school record must show satisfactory attainment in fifteen units of study. Of these fifteen units, at least nine should be included in the following subjects.

- American History ........................................ 1 unit
- English (four years) ..................................... 3 units
- Mathematics
  - Algebra .................................................. 1 unit
  - Plane Geometry ........................................ 1 unit
- Modern Foreign Language or Latin ..................... 2 units
- Natural Science .......................................... 1 unit

Six additional units shall be accepted from the following: Biology, Chemistry, Civics, Drawing, Economics, General Science, History, Latin, Mathematics, Modern Foreign Language, Physics, Physiology and Hygiene, Problems in Democracy and Sociology.

* Majors in the Area of Business Administration may be admitted with only one unit of Mathematics.

** Two units of the same Foreign Language are required.
Applicants intending to major in the Area of Business Administration may receive entrance credit for high school courses in Business Law, Bookkeeping, and other commercial subjects, but not for Typing.

The entrance examination shall ordinarily be administered on a Saturday, about one month before the opening date of each term. Notification of the date and time shall be sent to each applicant.

Applications involving any deviation from the above procedure shall be considered in detail by the Director of Admissions.

**REGISTRATION**

Students shall register for courses at the beginning of each term. The rostering of courses shall be done under the direction of the Dean or of the Course Advisers.

A new student must submit a certificate of health and an identification photograph of approximately one and one-quarter by one and three-quarter inches. The form for the certificate of health is supplied by the College.

No student is officially enrolled in any course until he has given the instructor a course card stamped by the Bursar. After registration, a student may change his roster of courses or omit courses only with the approval of the Dean.

No student may register for more than eighteen semester credit hours of work without the permission of the Dean. All students must register each term for a course in Physical Education.

**EXAMINATIONS AND GRADES**

During the period of acceleration, the last three days of each term are set apart for examinations. Other examinations are given whenever the instructors deem advisable. A progress report on each student is submitted to the Office of the Dean at the middle of each term. Permanent records are made only of the final course grades. In determining the final course grades, recitations, written examinations, and the final examination are considered. In recording the
final grade for each course, the following system is employed: "A" (superior), "B" (very good), "C" (average), "D" (passed), "F" (failure), "I" (incomplete), "W" (withdrawn).

A copy of course grades will be sent to parents or guardians at the end of each term.

A semester credit hour is defined as one hour of lecture, recitation, or the equivalent laboratory time per week for one term. The number of quality points per course is the product of the number of semester credit hours and the grade. An "A" grade is equal to three quality points per credit hour; a "B" grade, two quality points per credit hour; a "C" grade, one quality point per credit hour. Grades lower than "C" do not merit quality points.

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts or Science Degree**

The candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Arts shall have completed course work equivalent to 128 semester hours and shall have attained a quality point score of 128. He shall have completed the prescribed work in the Lower and Upper Divisions as described under the section Program of Study. The Bachelor of Science degree is conferred on those students who shall have completed all of the above requirements in the Area of Business Administration.
PROGRAM OF STUDY

The course of study leading to the Bachelor's degree at La Salle College is divided into two parts, each of which has its proper objectives. The first four terms, which correspond to the Freshman and Sophomore years, comprise the Lower Division. The second four terms, corresponding to the Junior and Senior years, comprise the Upper Division.

The general plan of instruction embraces groups of related subjects that are known as Areas of Instruction. In each area the arrangement of courses permits the student to direct his interests in such a way that his collegiate study is effectively integrated. The program offers five Areas of Instruction: Business Administration, History and Social Science, Literature, Natural Science and Mathematics, Philosophy and Religion.

COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE LOWER DIVISION

In accordance with the proposed aims of the College, the Lower Division is designed to provide a liberal education. The student has the opportunity to broaden his intellectual interest, while laying the foundation for the specialized study which he will pursue in the Upper Division.

Exploratory studies in the various areas of knowledge enable the student to orientate himself in the light of his aptitudes and interests. At the termination of the Lower Divisional Program, the student is prepared to make a judicious selection of the field of endeavor for which he is best suited.

Students who are interested in preparing for the professions of teaching, law, medicine, science, or for business careers will find the divisional program completely adequate in meeting the exacting requirements of these respective fields.

Basic Requirements for the Lower Division

Basic course requirements for the Lower Division are outlined in the section following this paragraph. Every student shall take one course in the Area of History and Social Science, one course in the Area of Natural Science and Mathematics, and all courses in the Area of Literature. In the Area of Religion and Philosophy, courses
in Logic and Psychology are prescribed for all students; religious instruction is not required for non-Catholic students.

### Course Requirements for the Lower Division

#### Area of History and Social Science. (One course is required.)
- History of Civilization ........................................... 6 s.c.h.*
- Introductory Sociology ............................................ 6 s.c.h.
- Introductory Political Science .................................. 6 s.c.h.
- Principles of Economics ........................................... 6 s.c.h.

#### Area of Literature. (All courses are required.)
- English (Reading, Composition, and Speech) ............. 6 s.c.h.
- English and American Literature ............................... 6 s.c.h.
- Intermediate and Advanced Foreign Language .......... 8 s.c.h.
  (The Elementary Language course may be offered for elective credit but not as a required credit for this group.)

#### Area of Natural Science and Mathematics. (One course is required.)
- General Biology ..................................................... 6 s.c.h.
- General Chemistry .................................................. 6 s.c.h.
- General Physics ...................................................... 8 s.c.h.
- General Zoology ..................................................... 6 s.c.h.
- Mathematics ........................................................... 6 s.c.h.

#### Area of Religion and Philosophy. (All courses are required.)
- Formal and Applied Logic ......................................... 3 s.c.h.
- General Psychology .................................................. 3 s.c.h.
- **Religious Instruction .............................................. 4 s.c.h.

### Additional Requirements for the Lower Division

A number of elective courses sufficient to bring the total of semester credit hours to 64 shall be taken in addition to the above prescribed courses. Elective courses are usually determined by the

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* Semester credit hours.
** Religious Instruction is not required of non-Catholic Students.
Program of Study

requirements of the Area of Concentration in the Upper Division. A statement of the elective courses will be found in the section, Areas of Instruction, in the particular area in which the student wishes to concentrate.

The minimum quantitative requirements for completing the Lower Divisional Program of study comprise a total of 64 semester credit hours in the courses outlined above, together with a quality point score of 64.

A student shall be required to show reasonable proficiency in English composition. Competence shall be judged by tests and by other appropriate ratings.

Ordinarily, all courses which are prerequisite for the Upper Divisional Program shall be completed by the end of the fourth term.

COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE UPPER DIVISION

In the Upper Division, the selection of courses is primarily directed toward achieving mastery of a single subject or a group of related subjects within the same Area of Instruction. At the end of the fourth term, every student shall be required to choose the Area of Instruction in which he wishes to concentrate in the Upper Division. Permission to concentrate in the chosen area will be granted to those students who have attained at least a "C" grade in the courses which are required for that area in the Lower Division. A student who fails to qualify for an Area of Instruction may not advance to the Upper Division. The selection of courses, both in the area of concentration and in related fields, shall be made under the supervision of the Course Adviser.

A minimum of half of the student's work in the Upper Division shall be in one Area of Instruction. The remaining courses shall be in Philosophy and in subjects more or less related to the field of concentration. All students shall take a minimum of 18 semester credit hours in Philosophy as indicated in the outline of course requirements for the Upper Division.

The arrangement of courses for the pre-professional programs of Dentistry, Medicine, Law, Teaching, and for the program of Business Administration, will be found in the General Catalogue.
Course Requirements for the Upper Division

Area of Religion and Philosophy. (These courses are required of all students.)
- Metaphysical Problems ........................................... 3 s.c.h.
- Philosophy of Nature ............................................. 3 s.c.h.
- Social and Moral Philosophy (Junior level) .............. 6 s.c.h.
- Theology and Theodicy (Senior level) ....................... 6 s.c.h.

Area of Instruction.
The Area of Instruction is the chosen field of concentration. Required courses in the Area of Instruction shall total a minimum of 32 semester credit hours. These required courses will be found in the General Catalogue at the end of each Area of Instruction.

Electives.
Elective courses shall be chosen from any Area of Instruction to complete the minimum total of the 128 semester credit hours required for the Bachelor's degree.

EXPENSES

Tuition and fees, as described at the end of this section, are payable in advance for each term. Provision is made under a deferred payment plan for students who may have difficulty in meeting financial obligations in advance. Application for deferred payment should be made to the Bursar at the time of registration.

A student who withdraws from the College must submit a written statement to that effect to the Dean. The date of filing a notice of withdrawal shall be considered as the date of withdrawal in all cases.

A refund policy in agreement with the Veterans Administration schedule of maximum charges acceptable as a basis for payment to non-profit institutions is in effect. No refund shall be made for the matriculation or registration fees. Refunds of tuition and other fees shall be made according to the following schedule: if the period of attendance is two weeks or less, 80 per cent shall be refunded; between two and three weeks, 60 per cent; between three and four weeks, 40 per cent; between four and five weeks, 20 per cent. If a student attends more than five weeks no refund shall be made.
The cost of books and other equipment, not included under fees but procured under the facilities of the College, shall be paid at the time of purchase.

Veterans who are certified by the Veterans Administration for educational benefits under Public Law 346 or Public Law 16 shall receive tuition, fees, and books as provided for by these laws.

A matriculation fee of $5.00 is payable once at the time of registration.

The table given below lists the ordinary expenses. The cost of books and other incidental supplies is not included.

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* Graduates of some Catholic High Schools are eligible for scholarship grants renewable each term.

** There is no fee for the first transcript.
INFORMATION

For additional information, write to:

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