

**263.1 Objects — departments.**

The university of Iowa shall never be under the control of any religious denomination. Its object shall be to provide the best and most efficient means of imparting to men and women, upon equal terms, a liberal education and thorough knowledge of the different branches of literature and the arts and sciences, with their varied applications. It shall include colleges of liberal arts, law, medicine, and such other colleges and departments, with such courses of instruction and elective studies as the state board of regents may determine from time to time. If a practitioner preparation program as defined in [section 272.1](#) is established by the board, it shall include the subject of physical education. Instruction in the liberal arts college shall begin, so far as practicable, at the points where the same is completed in high schools.

[C51, §1020; R60, §1927, 1930, 1933; C73, §1585, 1586, 1589; C97, §2640; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §3946; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §263.1]

[2011 Acts, ch 34, §70](#)