



## Program Pathway - *Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies*

The Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies allows the student to design his/her own program of study and, when necessary, utilize transfer credits from other degree programs. The students complete 21 hours in a concentration or thematically based set of upper division electives and a minor chosen from the College's existing minors.

This degree prepares a student for careers that demand strong critical thinking, writing, and oral communication skills. The student should choose a theme and minor that would best fit his/her career goals. For example, a student desiring to work in recreational careers would take a minor in Health and Wellness; on desiring to work in public relations should take all the liberal arts credits in communication.

This map is a term-by-term sample course schedule. Highlighted courses have been identified as "key courses." It is strongly advised that students make every effort to pass these courses on the first attempt with a "C" or higher in order to be successful in this program. The milestones listed below each year are designed to keep you on course to graduate in four years. Missing milestones could prevent you from being eligible for a particular program or could result in a delay in graduation. The Program Pathway serves as a general guideline to help you build a full schedule each term.

First Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ENGL 1101 *	English Composition I	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
MATH 1001* or 1101* or 1111*	Quantitative Skills/ Reasoning, Math Modeling or College Algebra	3	Minimum SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores
HIST 2111/2112	U.S. History	3	
COMM 1110	Fundamentals of Speech	3	
POLS 1101	American Government	3	
PRSP 1010*	Perspective Elective	1	
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>16</b>	

First Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
ENGL 1102 *	English Composition II	3	ENGL 1101 ('C' or higher)
Humanities /Fine Arts Elective	ARTS 1100, HUMN 1201, HUMN 1202, MUSC 1100, MUSC 1110, MUSC 1120, or THEA 1100 or ENGL literature	3	
Lab Science	Choose 1: BIOL 1105K, 1107K, 1108K, 1203K, 1224K, CHEM 1151K, 1211K, 1212K, GEOL 1121K, 1122K, PHYS 1111K, 1112K, 2211K, 2212	4	
Social Science	Choose 1: ANTH 1103, ECON 2105, 2106, GEOG 1100, 1101, or 1111, HIST 1111, 1112, 2111, 2112, PHIL 1103, 2010, 2020, POLS 2101, 2201, 2301, 2401, PSYC 1101, 2101, 2103, 2204, 2250, SOCI 1101, 1160	3	
Field of Study Elective	Focus Course from Area of Interest	3	
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>16</b>	

First Year Milestones	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete ENGL 1101 &amp; ENGL 1102</li> <li>• Complete a MATH course</li> <li>• Meet with your advisor</li> <li>• Be sure to have submitted essay on rationale for choosing the Interdisciplinary Studies major to Chair of Department of Communication, Performing Arts, and Foreign Languages.</li> <li>• Consult your DegreeWorks frequently to ensure course completion</li> </ul>	

Second Year – Term 1			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
Lab Science Elective	Choose from BIOL, GEOL, CHEM, PHYS, ASTR	4	
Literature Elective	ENGL 2201, 2111, 2112, 2120, 2121, 2130, 2131	3	ENGL 1102 with a “C” or higher
INTS 2001 (Fall only)	Intro to Interdisciplinary Studies	3	
Field of Study Elective	Focus Course from Area of Interest	3	
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>13</b>	

Second Year – Term 2			
Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Pre-requisites
Science/ Math/ Technology Elective	Math, Science or Technology elective, see Degree Works for options	3	
Social Science Elective	Choose 1 from these fiels: ANTH, ECON, GEOG, HIST, PHIL, POLS, PSYC, SOCI	3	
3 Field of Study Electives	Focus Course from Area of Interest	9	
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>15</b>	

Second Year Milestones	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet with your advisor</li> <li>• Solidify choices for theme for Upper Division Liberal Arts Electives (21) and Minor.</li> <li>• Keep in mind that courses cannot count in two areas, so your minor may require you to take a prerequisite in more than one section.</li> <li>• In planning your schedules for years 3 and 4, keep in mind that the capstone course (INTS 4999) requires an original research project, so you might want to take more hours (18) in preceding semesters and fewer in your final semester (9-12).</li> <li>• Consult your DegreeWorks frequently to ensure course completion</li> </ul>	

<b>Third Year – Term 1</b>			
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Pre-requisites</b>
ENGL 3000 *	Writing for Social Sciences	3	
Essential Areas Elective **		3	
2 Liberal Arts Thematic electives *		6	
Minor Elective *		3	
	<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Third Year – Term 2</b>			
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Pre-requisites</b>
2 Liberal Arts Thematic Elective *		6	
COMM 3301 *	Communication for Professional Setting	3	
Minor Electives *	2 classes in minor	6	
	<b>Semester Total</b>	<b>15</b>	

<b>Third Year Milestones</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have completed resume uploaded in <i>Handshake</i>.</li> <li>• Attend Career Fairs and Discuss Internships (INTS 4000) possibilities with advisor</li> <li>• Consult your Degreeworks frequently to ensure course completion</li> </ul>

<b>Fourth Year – Term 1</b>			
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Pre-requisites</b>
2 Liberal Arts Thematic Elective *		6	
Essential Areas Elective **	Consider an internship (INTS 4000)	3	
Minor Elective *		3	
Minor Elective or Essential Elective		3	
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>15</b>	

<b>Fourth Year – Term 2</b>			
<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Pre-requisites</b>
INTS 4999 *	Capstone in Interdisciplinary Studies	3	ENGL 3000 and 2.0 GPA
Liberal Arts Thematic Elective *		3	
2 Essential Area Electives		6	
Minor Elective *		3	
<b>Semester Total</b>		<b>15</b>	

<b>Fourth Year Milestones</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit Graduation Application to Office of Enrollment Services</li> </ul>

Notes:

\* denotes grade of 'C' or higher required

\*\* at least two Essential Areas Choice must be upper division

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