

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

About This Program

The Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (BSIS) provides an individually crafted degree for the jobs of the future. The program offers students the opportunity to create a truly customized degree plan. While traditional disciplines are slow to adjust to job demands, Interdisciplinary Studies allows students to build their degree to fit the job students want to be the leaders of tomorrow. Because of the flexibility of the degree, the Interdisciplinary Studies program is intended to meet the needs of creative and intellectually curious students.

Both the Bachelor of Science and the Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies (BAIS) provide students the opportunity to create degrees that will provide access to new careers. Students pursuing the BAIS take more credit hours in foreign language while students pursuing the BSIS take more credit hours in mathematics.

The interdisciplinary studies program (INTS) at the University of Texas at Arlington enables students to build rigorous and coherent personalized degree plans that transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries. The individualized degrees allow students to develop themes or topics that fall outside the usual university departmental boundaries requiring a multi-disciplinary, cross-disciplinary, and trans-disciplinary understanding and analytical techniques.

Students in the program are expected to work closely with their adviser to develop an innovative program of study that draws on the rich academic resources of the University, including existing minors and certificates.

Competencies

1. Upon graduation, INTS students will be able to write with clarity for optimum precision.
2. Upon graduation, INTS students will be able to produce a final project that is well organized.
3. Upon graduation, INTS students will be able to produce a project that incorporates interdisciplinary perspectives related to their chosen field of study

Curriculum

Foundations

General Core Requirements (<https://catalog.uta.edu/academicregulations/degree requirements/generalcore requirements/>) 42

Interdisciplinary Studies Foundations

UNIV 1131	STUDENT SUCCESS	1
or UNIV 1101	CAREER PREPARATION AND STUDENT SUCCESS	

INTS 2301	ENVISIONING INTERDISCIPLINARITY	3
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INTS 4391	INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES SENIOR SEMINAR	3
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Select a career development course from the following:		3
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SOCI 3351	WORK, OCCUPATIONS, AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT	
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ART 4382	ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE ARTS	
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BCOM 3360	EFFECTIVE BUSINESS COMMUNICATION	
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NURS-HI 3360	INTERPROFESSIONAL COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE	
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MANA 3321	NONPROFIT AND VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT	
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PCOM 4301	NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT	
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Select a theory course from the following:		3
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SOCI 3373	SOCIAL THEORY THROUGH POPULAR CULTURE	
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SOCI 3372	SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY	
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ENGL 4356	LITERARY CRITICISM AND THEORY II	
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ANTH 3300	DEBATES IN CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	
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SOCW 3301	THEORIES OF HUMAN BEHAVIOR	
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INTS 3320	INTERDISCIPLINARY THEORY	
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Select a Research (Methodology) class from the following:		3
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SOCI 3362	SOCIAL RESEARCH	
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CRCJ 3350	INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE	
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POLS 3310	RESEARCH METHODS AND POLITICAL ANALYSIS	
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BIOL 4343	RESEARCH METHODS - UTEACH	
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CHEM 4343	RESEARCH METHODS - UTEACH	
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GEOL 4343	RESEARCH METHODS - UTEACH	
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KINE 4352	PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES AND METHODS	
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MATH 4381	MATHEMATICS RESEARCH	
PHYS 4343	RESEARCH METHODS - UTEACH	
Specialization One		
Select 18 hours in a minor, certificate, or approved INTS track. ¹		18
Specialization Two		
Select 18 hours in a minor, certificate, or approved INTS track. ¹		18
Select electives sufficient to complete 120 hours with at least 36 hours at the 3000/4000 level.		26
For the Bachelor of Science degree, at least 18 hours in the two tracks must be "science for science majors" course work; at least 12 of these must be at the 3000/4000 level.		
Total Hours		120

24 hours must be completed at UT Arlington. Each specialization (track) requires a minimum of 18 hours and must include 9 hours of 3000/4000 level course work. Students must take at least one methods class (from approved list) within one of their tracks for at least 3 credit hours.

¹ For the BS, at least 18 hours in the two tracks must be "science-for-science majors" course work; at least 12 of these must be at the 3000/4000 level.

Advising Resources

The Liberal Arts Applied Programs (LAAP) office offers advising for students majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies (INTS) or minoring in Law and Legal Studies (LLS) or Gender, Women, & Sexuality Studies (GWSS). First time in college students should speak to a LAAP advisor when starting their second year. Transfer students should contact a LAAP advisor when enrolled.

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