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### **B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies** **Description**

The B.A. in interdisciplinary studies is a degree program that allows students to create a flexible degree program around a unifying theme or problem that integrates more than one disciplinary perspective. This degree may fit academic or career interests that cannot be accommodated by the university's traditional academic programs. In particular, students who anticipate graduate or professional study in an area that does not require a specific undergraduate specialty (business, law, or medicine, for example) may find this program especially well-suited to their needs and interests. Students may select from two options, depending on the flexibility desired in pursuing the theme or problem.

### **Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120**

### **General Education Requirements**

See the 'General Education/Core Curriculum' for the College of Liberal Arts.

### **Course Requirements**

A B.A. in interdisciplinary studies consists of 48 credit hours, including a 6 hour core of IDS 101 and IDS 499 and a 42-credit hour approved plan of study around a unifying theme or problem. The IDS 499 capstone may be substituted with an approved capstone or project from a department or an approved internship. The 42-credit-hour plan of study must include at least 27 hours at the 300 level or higher and 30 hours from the College of Liberal Arts. Students choose between two options to complete the degree.

Option A: Students construct a 48-credit-hour plan of study around a unifying theme or problem consisting of at least two disciplines with no more than 21 credit hours in the same discipline.

Option B: Students construct a 48-credit-hour plan of study around a unifying theme or problem consisting of two minors and complementary courses appropriate to the theme. One of the minors must come from the College of Liberal Arts. At least 12 hours in each minor must be at the 300 level or higher.

### **Other Academic Requirements**

Students must achieve a grade of C or better in each class that counts toward the major.

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The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

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#### **General Education**

| REQUIREMENT                        | HOURS | DESCRIPTION   |
|------------------------------------|-------|---|
| First Year Writing I               | 3     | Complete <a href="#">Hon 101</a> , <a href="#">Writ 100</a> or <a href="#">Writ 101</a> with a passing grade.   |
| First Year Writing II              | 3     | Complete one of the following courses with a passing grade: <a href="#">Liba 102</a> , <a href="#">Writ 102</a> or <a href="#">Hon 102</a> .  |
| 6 hrs literature survey            | 6     | Complete 6 hours of literature survey with a passing grade. Choose from the following courses: <a href="#">Eng 220</a> , <a href="#">221</a> , <a href="#">222</a> , <a href="#">223</a> , <a href="#">224</a> , <a href="#">225</a> , or <a href="#">Eng 226</a> .   |
| 6 hrs modern/ancient language 200+ | 6     | Successfully complete at least 6 hours at the 200 level or above in one modern or ancient language.   |
| 6 hrs history                      | 6     | Complete 6 hours in History (HST) course work with a passing grade.   |
| 3 hrs humanities                   | 3     | African American studies; classical civilization; environmental studies 101, gender studies ( <a href="#">G St 201</a> , <a href="#">301</a> , <a href="#">333</a> , <a href="#">350</a> ); <a href="#">Liba 202</a> , <a href="#">305</a> , <a href="#">312</a> ; philosophy; religion; Southern studies ( <a href="#">S St 101</a> , <a href="#">102</a> ); <a href="#">Rhet 201</a> . In addition, gender studies courses that are cross-listed with African American studies, classical civilization, English, modern languages, philosophy, or religion courses will satisfy this requirement. |
| 6 hrs social science               | 6     | Successfully complete 6 semester hours in anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, or sociology.   |
| 3 hrs fine arts                    | 3     | Complete 3 hours in the area of fine or performing arts. Choose from art history, music, dance, and theatre arts. Studio and workshop courses cannot be used to satisfy this requirement. Acceptable freshman or sophomore-level courses are: <a href="#">AH 101</a> , <a href="#">AH 102</a> , <a href="#">AH 201</a> , <a href="#">AH 202</a> ; Music 101, Music 102, Music 103, Music 104, Music 105; Dance 200; and Theatre 201.  |
| 3 hrs math 100+                    | 3     | Successfully complete 3 hours of Math at the 100 level or above except for <a href="#">Math 245</a> and <a href="#">Math 246</a> .  |
| 9-12 hrs science                   | 9     | Courses may be chosen from astronomy, biology, chemistry, geology, <a href="#">Liba 205</a> , 205L, 150, 151, 315, 315L and physics. Two semesters of course work in one subject and one semester in a subject from another department are required. Each course must be a minimum of 3 credit hours. At least two of the courses taken must include laboratories.  |



| REQUIREMENT                        | HOURS | DESCRIPTION |
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| Astr & Phys Can't be used together |       |             |

### Major Requirements

| REQUIREMENT                   | HOURS | DESCRIPTION  |
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| <a href="#">IDS 101</a> & 499 | 6     | Complete <a href="#">IDS 101</a> & <a href="#">IDS 499</a> . The <a href="#">IDS 499</a> capstone may be substituted with an approved capstone or project from a department or an approved internship. |
| C minimum in each class       |       | Student must achieve a grade of C or better in each class in each selected minor.  |
| Overall Major GPA             |       | Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements.   |
| Resident Major GPA            |       | Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements.   |

### Emphasis - Option A

| REQUIREMENT                   | HOURS | DESCRIPTION   |
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| 42hr plan w/2 disciplines     | 42    | Option A: Students construct a 42-credit-hour plan of study around a unifying theme or problem consisting of at least two disciplines with no more than 21 credit hours in the same discipline. |
| Choose at least 2 disciplines |       | Choose a unifying theme or problem consisting of at least two disciplines with no more than 21 credit hours in the same discipline.   |

