B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies

Overview

Degree Requirements

Description
The B.A. in interdisciplinary studies is a multidisciplinary degree program that allows students to select three minors, two of which must be within the College of Liberal Arts. Students create a flexible degree program that may fit academic or career interests more precisely than a traditional B.A. degree. 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.

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 a 42-credit-hour approved plan of study including a 6-credit-hour core of IDS 101 and IDS 499. 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 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.

Option B: Students construct a 42-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.