

# DEPARTMENT OF INTERDISCIPLINARY AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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<https://www.una.edu/interdisciplinary-studies/>

The Interdisciplinary Studies major is designed primarily for non-traditional students returning to school and for those traditional students whose academic needs and occupational plans are not met with an existing academic major or minor program. The major allows students a flexible path to degree completion by offering areas of emphasis (areas include Arts, Business and Applied Entrepreneurship, Health, Humanities, Organizational Leadership, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Technology and Women's Studies) containing complementary courses from different academic disciplines across all academic colleges. Interdisciplinary Studies students are required to complete an area of emphasis and three additional Interdisciplinary Studies courses (Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS 100), Interdisciplinary Research: Process and Practice (IDS 250W) and Capstone Project (IDS 450)). Interdisciplinary Studies students are assigned an academic advisor who will have the responsibility of planning an individualized program of study with the student, providing academic advising, and approving the schedule of classes taken each semester by the student. The major offers two options: Option 1, a flexible and individualized program of study based on academic and career interests in one of eight areas of emphasis; and Option 2, an applied entrepreneurship option that allows students to apply approved technical coursework to the major. Questions regarding the Interdisciplinary Studies program should be directed to the Department Chair or Program Coordinator (see also <http://una.edu/bis>).

## Majors

- BA/BS Major in Interdisciplinary Studies Option I (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-professional-studies/babs-interdisciplinary-studies-option-i>)
- BA/BS Major in Interdisciplinary Studies Option II (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-professional-studies/babs-major-in-interdisciplinary-studies-option-ii>)