

IDS - INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (IDS)

IDS 100. Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies. (3 Credits)

This course is designed to meet two broad goals. First, this course introduces students to UNA's Interdisciplinary Studies program and guides them through proposing an individualized program of study. Second, this course is the level 1 QEP course for students pursuing Interdisciplinary Studies. Students are introduced to terms, concepts, and methods central to interdisciplinary inquiry. Students examine the strengths and weaknesses of both disciplinary and interdisciplinary thinking and learn to identify topics appropriate for interdisciplinary research. In working toward these goals, students will build relationships with the academic community by attending online or on campus meetings with their course instructor and staff members from the Center for Writing Excellence, the Collier Library, and the Career Center. Prior to enrolling in IDS 250 and IDS 450, BIS students must have their program of study proposal approved and earn a minimum grade of "C" in this course. IDS 100 must be taken within the first twelve hours after admission to the BIS program (Fall, Spring).

IDS 200. Career Exploration and Planning. (3 Credits)

A course designed to assist students with career exploration by offering a systematic approach to life-long career decision-making as well as taking into consideration the student's interest, skills, and abilities. Designed for students who have not yet declared a major and/or students interested in exploring all possible majors. Students with 60 credit hours or more may not take the course. Offered during spring semesters.

Course Fees: \$30

IDS 250W. Interdisciplinary Research: Process and Practice. (3 Credits)

This course guides students through the conceptual framework and processes central to conducting interdisciplinary research and engages them in the actual production of research. Prerequisites: IDS 100 with grade of C or better, completion of Area I general education courses, completion of at least one general education natural science course from Area III and one general education social/behavioral science course from Area IV, and completion of a required computer instruction course. (Fall, Spring)

IDS 359. Special Course. (1-6 Credits)

Course number reserved for special courses offered from time to time in response to special circumstances. The courses are discipline specific with variable credit and when offered, they are identified by department content and credit.

IDS 369. Special Course. (1-6 Credits)

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IDS 389. On-Campus Internship. (3 Credits)

IDS 399. Departmental Service Learning. (1-6 Credits)

IDS 440W. Grant Writing and Management. (3 Credits)

This course provides students with knowledge necessary to identify relevant grant opportunities, prepare conceptual program and research-based proposals, develop and assess budgetary issues including capital support, and successfully manage and execute a grant. Special focus is placed on non-profit organizations. Also listed as EN 440W but creditable only in field for which registered. Prerequisite: Students must have completed all English requirements as part of their General Education curriculum and have completed a "W" course within their major or program of study or their academic program's level 2 QEP course.

IDS 450. Capstone Project. (3 Credits)

This course requires senior-level Interdisciplinary Studies students to demonstrate their ability to apply and integrate scholarly work from academic disciplines central to their Interdisciplinary Program of Study to an approved research question/statement of problem that addresses a substantive question or problem likely to be addressed in that student's occupation or subsequent program of graduate study. The student will, through their research and possible data collection and analysis, produce an APA compliant example of professional and/or scholarly research. Prerequisites IDS 100, IDS 250, senior standing. (Fall, Spring)

IDS 499. Independent Study-Practicum. (3 Credits)

Open to senior majors in Interdisciplinary Studies on approval of the department chair. Provides for independent study and research under departmental determination, supervisions, and evaluation. (Fall, Spring)