

Interdisciplinary Studies Major Proposal

Name: _____ Email: _____ Student #: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Interdisciplinary Studies Major. Students may initiate a program of interdisciplinary studies other than those formally approved by the faculty. Such majors require a minimum of 46 credit hours across at least two (2) disciplines, with no fewer than 16 credit hours from each of the two primary disciplines. Normally, at least twelve (12) credit hours of upper-division courses, with no presumption of waiver of specified prerequisites, must be taken from each of the two primary disciplines.

Students must provide a written statement of purpose (see below). Proposals require the approval of the registrar, two advisors, and the chair of the respective division chair or chairs.

Proposed Program Title: _____

Proposed Program of Study (completed by student in consultation with faculty advisor):

<u>Discipline 1</u> (at least 16 credit hours)	<u>Discipline 2</u> (at least 16 credit hours)	<u>Discipline 3</u> (if applicable)
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Purpose Statement (completed by student on separate page; please attach)

1. Purpose: What do you propose to study and why do you wish to approach your studies through an Interdisciplinary Studies major?
2. Outcomes: What do you hope to know and be able to do when you have completed this major? How does this major help you achieve these goals?
3. Program: How do the courses you've selected constitute a coherent and in-depth program? Can you document a similar program elsewhere? What do you hope to gain from each of the courses that you've selected, that will help you achieve your learning outcomes? Include a rationale for selecting either a research project or internship.
4. Advisors: Who are the faculty advisors who helped you develop this program? Which advisor should be noted as your "advisor of record"?

Approvals

Advisor #1 – Advisor of record (please initial each item and sign below)

_____ Student has provided an adequate account of purpose (Purpose Statement #1)

_____ Student has provided an adequate account of learning outcomes (Purpose Statement #2)

_____ Student has provided an adequate justification for course selection in terms of coherence and depth (Purpose Statement #3)

_____ Advisor and chair agree that the student's learning outcomes can be met through the selected courses (Purpose Statement #3)

Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Division Chair Signature: _____ Date: _____

Advisor #2 (please initial each item and sign below)

_____ Student has provided an adequate account of purpose (Purpose Statement #1)

_____ Student has provided an adequate account of learning outcomes (Purpose Statement #2)

_____ Student has provided an adequate justification for course selection in terms of coherence and depth (Purpose Statement #3)

_____ Advisor and chair agree that the student's learning outcomes can be met through the selected courses (Purpose Statement #3)

Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Division Chair Signature: _____ Date: _____

Dean of Undergraduate Education

Dean Signature: _____ Date: _____