

Interdisciplinary Studies

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B.A., B.S., B.T. Degrees

Minimum Requirements for Degrees: 130 credits

The UAF interdisciplinary program provides flexibility to students with well-defined goals who do not fit into one of the established majors offered by the university. The program is available to undergraduate and graduate students (see page 191 for graduate information).

Students may submit a proposal for an interdisciplinary program after completing 15 credits at UAF as long as they have at least 30 credits remaining in the proposed degree program. The proposed curriculum must differ significantly from established degree programs at UAF and will require evidence that the necessary facilities and faculty are available to ensure an approximation of a normal undergraduate degree. All general requirements for the B.A., B.S., or B.T. degree must be met.

In developing an interdisciplinary proposal, the student should specify the degree (B.A., B.S., or B.T.), include an explanation of how the proposed program differs substantially from established UAF programs, and include a discussion that current UAF resources are adequate to meet the requirements of the proposed program. (A minimum of two disciplines is required for the interdisciplinary degree.) The student then obtains an advisory committee of at least three faculty members from the appropriate disciplines and holds at least one formal meeting with the full committee to review the proposal. The committee will appoint a chair, review the proposed program, select a degree title in concert with the student and make its recommendation. Applicants then submit to the vice provost for instructional affairs their proposal for the program they wish to pursue, specifying the

degree, proposed curriculum work sheet and rationale. The degree is awarded through the school or college of the chair of the committee, subject to approval by the vice provost for instructional affairs.

Students interested in pursuing an undergraduate interdisciplinary degree can contact the Office of the Graduate School and Interdisciplinary Programs for help in finding faculty advisors and developing their curriculum proposal.

B.A., B.S. or B.T. degree

1. Contact the UAF Office of the Graduate School and Interdisciplinary Programs for materials and procedures.
2. Contact three faculty to serve as the INDS committee.
3. Prepare rationale/justification letter.
4. Conduct committee meeting to finalize degree proposal, title of degree, and assessment plan.
5. Submit proposal to appropriate dean for approval.
6. Submit to the vice provost for instructional affairs for final approval.
7. Minimum credits required130

Note: Page numbers refer to the UAF 2004-2005 academic catalog, which can be viewed online at www.uaf.edu/catalog/.

General University Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

COMMUNICATIONS (9)

Complete the following:

- ENGL 111X (3) _____
 ENGL 211X OR 213X (3) _____
 COMM 131X OR 141X (3) _____

LIBRARY & INFORMATION SKILLS (0-1)

Complete the following:

- LS 100X OR 101X (0-1) _____
 OR Successful completion of library skills competency test.

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete either the following six courses:

- ANTH 100X OR SOC 100X (3) _____
 ECON/PS 100X (3) _____
 HIST 100X (3) _____
 ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X (3) _____
 ENGL/FL 200X (3) _____
 PHIL 322X, NRM 303X, COMM 300X,
 PS 300X OR JUST 300X (3) _____

OR Complete 12 cr from the above list PLUS two semester-length courses in a single non-English or Alaska Native language at the university level OR three semester-length courses (9 cr) in American Sign Language.

MATHEMATICS (3-4)

Complete 3-4 credits from the following:

- MATH 107X (3) _____
 OR MATH 131X (except for BBA) (3) _____
 OR MATH 161X (3) _____
 MATH 200X (4) _____
 MATH 201X (4) _____
 MATH 202X (4) _____
 MATH 262X (4) _____
 MATH 272X (3) _____

NOTE: Additional 3 cr of math needed for degree requirements.

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete 8 credits from the following:

- ATM 101X (4) _____
 BIOL 103X OR 104X (4) _____
 BIOL 105X-106X (8) _____
 BIOL 111X-112X (8) _____
 CHEM 100X (4) _____
 CHEM 103X-104X (8) _____
 CHEM 105X-106X (8) _____
 GEOG 205X (4) _____
 GEOS 100X OR 120X OR 125X (4) _____
 GEOS 101X-112X (8) _____
 MSL 111X (4) _____
 PHYS 102X OR 175X (4) _____
 PHYS 103X-104X (8) _____
 PHYS 211X-212X (8) _____
 PHYS 211X-213X (8) _____
 PHYS 212X-213X (8) _____