Interdisciplinary Studies

Office of Interdisciplinary Programs (907) 474-7716 fyinds@uaf.edu www.uaf.edu/gradsch/general/degrees/INDS/inds_undergrad.html

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

Minimum Requirements for Degrees: 130 credits

The UAF interdisciplinary program provides flexibility to students who have well-defined goals that do not fit into one of the established majors offered by the university. The program is available to undergraduate and graduate students (see page 203 for graduate information). Interdisciplinary studies, both graduate and undergraduate programs, is located in the Graduate School office. Help with the application process, contact information for faculty advisors and assistance for interdisciplinary students is available at (907) 474-7716 or see www. uaf.edu/gradsch/general/degrees/INDS/.

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 showing 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 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.

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

- 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 final approval.
- 7. Minimum credits required......130



Baccalaureate Core Requirements	NATURAL SCIENCES (8)
All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.	Complete any two (4-credit) courses:
Refer to specific degree and program requirements.	ATM 101X(4)
COMMUNICATION (9)	BIOL 100X(4)
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Complete the following:	BIOL 104X(4)
ENGL 100H(3)	BIOL 105X(4)
ENGL 190H may be substituted.	BIOL 106X(4)
Complete one of the following:	BIOL 111X(4)
ENGL 211X OR ENGL 213X(3)	BIOL 112X(4) (4) CHEM 100X(4)
Complete one of the following:	CHEM 100X (4)
COMM 131X OR COMM 141X(3)	CHEM 104X
PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)	CHEM 105X
Complete all of the following four courses:	CHEM 105X (4)
ANTH 100X/SOC 100X(3)	GEOG 205X
ECON 100X OR PS 100X(3)	GEOS 100X
HIST 100X(3)	GEOS 101X
ENGL/FL 200X(3)	GEOS 112X
Complete one of the following three courses:	GEOS 120X(4)
ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X(3)	GEOS 125X
Complete one of the following six courses:	MSL 111X(4)
BA 323X, COMM 300X, JUST 300X, NRM 303X,	PHYS 102X(4)
PS 300X OR PHIL 322X(3)	PHYS 103X(4)
OR complete 12 credits from the above courses PLUS	PHYS 104X(4)
• two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other	PHYS 115X(4)
non-English language OR	PHYS 116X(4)
• three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language	PHYS 175X(4)
taken at the university level.	PHYS 211X(4)
MATHEMATICS (3)	PHYS 212X(4)
	PHYS 213X(4)
Complete one of the following: MATH 103X, MATH 107X, MATH 161X OR STAT 200X(3-4)	LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1)
* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH 107X or 161X.	Successful completion of library skills competency test OR
	LS 100X or 101X prior to junior standing(0–1)
OR complete one of the following:* MATH 200X, MATH 201X, MATH 202X,	
MATH 262X OR MATH 272X(4)	UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)
*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite	
	Complete the following: Two writing intensive courses designated (W)(0)
	One oral communication intensive course designated (O)(0)
	OR two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the
	upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements)(0)
	TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED38–39

