

UNIVERSITY OF PIKEVILLE

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

(B. A. or B. S.) MAJOR

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(45-48 Hours Required)

Option I

(21 Hours Required in Two (2) Disciplines)

Discipline 1 -- A minimum of 12 hours required in discipline at 300-400 level:

Course	Grade	Credit	Term Taken	Dept./No.	Institution

Discipline 2 -- A minimum of 12 hours required in discipline at 300-400 level:

Course	Grade	Credit	Term Taken	Dept./No.	Institution

Interdisciplinary Studies Project

(3-6 Hours Required)

Course	Grade	Credit	Term Taken	Dept./No.	Institution
IDS 400		3 - 6			

Option II
(21 Hours Required in one (1) Discipline and 21 Hours Required
in combination of two (2) additional Disciplines)

Discipline 1 -- A minimum of 12 hours required in discipline at 300-400 level:

Course	Grade	Credit	Term Taken	Dept./No.	Institution

Discipline 2 Combination -- A minimum of 12 hours required at 300-400 level:

Course	Grade	Credit	Term Taken	Dept./No.	Institution

Interdisciplinary Studies Project
(3-6 Hours Required)

Course	Grade	Credit	Term Taken	Dept./No.	Institution
IDS 400		3 - 6			

The interdisciplinary Studies major is designed to allow students, under the supervision of selected faculty, an opportunity to pursue a course of study outside existing majors by combining course work around a theme or topic utilizing an interdisciplinary approach. Students majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies are expected to complete an IDS application to declare their intentions as early as possible, but no later than the first semester of the junior year. For more information and an application, please contact the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences.

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Prospectus and Program of Studies for Interdisciplinary Studies Major

The Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) major at the University of Pikeville allows students to design their own major with the assistance of a Faculty Advisory Committee and within established guidelines. The intent of the major is to provide a mechanism within the curriculum for the development of interdisciplinary programs of study that encourage students to combine two or more traditional disciplines in pursuit of a special theme, topic or issue of personal, career, or scholarly interest. The coursework chosen for the major and the capstone course, IDS 400-Interdisciplinary Study Project 3-6 hours, combine classroom instruction, independent study, faculty mentoring and research opportunities for the exploration of new and emerging fields of study. Developing and engaging in a course of study, crafted around a special theme, topic or issue, can be highly motivating for students and involved faculty and lead to research, career and graduate school opportunities.

Students interested in an IDS major should contact their advisor or the Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences for additional information regarding the development of a Prospectus and Program of Study.

The Prospectus must include the following:

1. Describe the theme, topic or issue to be studied and provide a rationale for the selection.
2. Explain the goals and objectives of the proposed program and why they cannot be met through existing majors or minors.
3. List members of the Faculty Advisory Committee and explain why they were chosen.

The Program of Studies must include the following:

1. A semester by semester sequence of courses.
2. Proposed Interdisciplinary Studies Project.