

Interdisciplinary Programs

Welcome to interdisciplinary graduate studies in the College of Arts, Media and Design. Here you'll find courses and programs that embrace shared dialogue and experiential learning across creative fields. These interdisciplinary doctoral programs, master's programs, and graduate certificates place collaboration at the core of their mission, integrating frameworks, methods, and practices to support students in developing truly innovative approaches and outcomes. Our interdisciplinary degree and certificate options provide a strong foundation of use-inspired, experientially informed coursework and research opportunities.

The PhD in Interdisciplinary Design and Media offers an innovative, globally aware, human-centered approach to advanced graduate study, focusing on practice-based research and scholarship applied to or conducted through making or creation.

The Master of Science in Arts Administration and Cultural Entrepreneurship and graduate certificate programs give students foundational to advanced training in the skills and techniques essential to leading arts and culture organizations today, combining the human literacies of collaboration and communication with the technical basis of arts organizational visioning, planning, and sustainable management.

The Master of Science in Urban Planning and Policy program is jointly offered between the college's School of Architecture and the School of Public Policy and Urban Affairs within the College of Social Sciences and Humanities. The curriculum provides a strong foundational knowledge base and allows specialization into the closely related areas of sustainable urban planning and contemporary approaches to urban policy for global cities.

The Master of Science in Extended Realities seeks to open the new technologies, methods, practices, and skills of extended realities to students. XR includes augmented, virtual, and mixed reality. XR technologies have seen explosive growth over the last decade of mixed reality. The College of Arts, Media and Design partners closely with Bouvé College of Health Sciences, the College of Engineering, the D'Amore-McKim School of Business, and Khoury College of Computer Sciences to offer additional concentrations that provide breadth and depth of knowledge.

Programs

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

- Interdisciplinary Design and Media (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/arts-media-design/interdisciplinary-programs/interdisciplinary-design-media-phd/>)
- Network Science (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/social-sciences-humanities/interdisciplinary/network-science-phd/>)

Master of Science (MS)

- Arts Administration and Cultural Entrepreneurship (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/arts-media-design/interdisciplinary-programs/arts-administration-cultural-entrepreneurship-ms/>)
- Extended Realities (Boston)
- Extended Realities (Oakland)
- Urban Planning and Policy (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/social-sciences-humanities/public-policy-urban-affairs/urban-planning-policy-ms/>)

Graduate Certificate

- AI Applications (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/university-interdisciplinary-programs/ai-applications-graduate-certificate-bos/>)
- Arts Administration (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/arts-media-design/interdisciplinary-programs/arts-administration-graduate-certificate/>)
- Cultural Entrepreneurship (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/arts-media-design/interdisciplinary-programs/cultural-entrepreneurship-graduate-certificate/>)
- Product Management (Boston) (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/university-interdisciplinary-programs/product-management-graduate-certificate-bos/>)