

Interdisciplinary Studies, BS (Oakland)

The Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies allows students to design a social science-, science-, and humanities-based program of study that reflects their academic passions and strengths. Students have the unique opportunity to choose an area of academic specialization while engaging with the diverse array of disciplines—such as history, music, philosophy, literature, math, science, and psychology—that constitute a liberal studies education, while fostering practical skills essential to the workplace and graduate education—critical thinking, analysis of large bodies of information, problem solving, and effective written communication.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Universitywide Requirement

Minimum 120 total semester hours required

Minimum 2.000 GPA required

Students must earn a minimum of 60 Northeastern University semester hours in order to receive a bachelor's degree.

Note: Individual program requirements may exceed the above minima.

CPS Undergraduate Core Requirements

All College of Professional Studies undergraduate students are required to complete the CPS Undergraduate Core Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/professional-studies/university-academics/general-education-requirements/>).

No more than 27 total credits of business courses (ACC, FIN, MGT, MKT) are permitted for the degree.

Foundation Courses

30 semester hours required

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--|---|-------|
| English | | |
| ENG 1105 and ENG 1106 | College Writing 1 and Lab for ENG 1105 | 4 |
| ENG 1107 and ENG 1108 | College Writing 2 and Lab for ENG 1107 | 4 |
| ENG 3107 and ENG 3108 | Writing for the Professions: Business and the Social Sciences and Lab for ENG 3107 | 4 |
| Mathematics | | |
| MTH 1100 | College Algebra | 3 |
| MTH 2310 | Statistics for the Behavioral and Social Sciences | 3 |
| Information Technology | | |
| ITC 1000 | Computer Applications | 3 |
| Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences | | |
| PSY 1100 | Foundations of Psychology | 3 |
| Philosophy | | |
| PHL 2100 | Business Ethics | 3 |
| or PHL 2120 | Ethical Issues in Communication | |
| or PHL 2130 | Ethical Issues in Healthcare | |
| or PHL 2140 | Ethical Issues in Science and Engineering | |
| Social Sciences | | |
| CMN 1100 | Organizational Communication | 3 |

Core Courses

18 semester hours required

| Code | Title | Hours |
|----------|--|-------|
| CMN 2310 | Professional Speaking | 3 |
| ENG 3260 | Writing to Inform and Persuade | 3 |
| HSV 2240 | Human Behavior in the Social Environment | 3 |

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| LDR 1200 | Assessing Your Leadership Capacity | 3 |
| LDR 3200 | Leading and Managing Change | 3 |
| PJM 1100 | Project Management Fundamentals - Project Initiation and Close | 3 |

Major Required Courses

33 semester hours required

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Interdisciplinary | | |
| Self-designed interdisciplinary program created by the student with advisor and faculty, approved by associate dean. | | 30 |
| Include two or three areas of study. | | |
| Complete no more than four 1000-level classes. | | |
| Capstone | | |
| LST 4850 | Capstone Project in Liberal Studies | 3 |

Major Electives

18 semester hours required

| Code | Title | Hours |
|--|-------|-------|
| Complete 18 semester hours of coursework at or above the 3000 level. | | 18 |

Open Electives

Complete a minimum of 21 semester hours to reach 120 semester hours.

Plan of Study

Interdisciplinary studies is a self-designed program. Students will work with their career and academic coach advisor and faculty in order to plan their course-taking schedule in the major and open elective requirement areas.

| Term 1 | Hours |
|--------------------------|-------|
| ENG 1105 and ENG 1106 | 4 |
| MTH 1100 | 3 |
| ITC 1000 | 3 |
| CMN 1100 | 3 |
| LDR 1200 | 3 |
| | 16 |
| Term 2 | Hours |
| ENG 1107 and ENG 1108 | 4 |
| PJM 1100 | 3 |
| CMN 2310 | 3 |
| LDR 3200 | 3 |
| PHL 2100 | 3 |
| | 16 |
| Term 3 | Hours |
| ENG 3107 and ENG 3108 | 4 |
| MTH 2310 | 3 |
| HSV 2240 | 3 |
| Major required course | 3 |
| | 13 |
| Term 4 | Hours |
| ENG 3260 | 3 |
| Major required course | 3 |
| Major required course | 3 |
| Major required course | 3 |

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| | Interdisciplinary Studies, BS (Oakland) | 3 |
| Major required course | | 3 |
| | | 15 |
| Term 5 | Hours | |
| Major required course | | 3 |
| Major required course | | 3 |
| Major required course | | 3 |
| Major required course | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| | | 15 |
| Term 6 | Hours | |
| Major required course | | 3 |
| Major elective | | 3 |
| Major elective | | 3 |
| Major elective | | 3 |
| Major elective | | 3 |
| | | 15 |
| Term 7 | Hours | |
| Major elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| | | 15 |
| Term 8 | Hours | |
| LST 4850 | | 3 |
| Major elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| Open elective | | 3 |
| | | 15 |
| Total Hours: 120 | | |