INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES PROGRAM
Maria K. Bachman, Director

DEGREES
Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

The Interdisciplinary Studies degree program offers highly-motivated and intellectually curious students the opportunity to develop an individualized and integrated major program of study from across the traditional academic disciplines. The program serves current or transfer students whose educational objectives are not met by a single degree program or returning students with educational objectives determined by ongoing or intended employment opportunities. The program also introduces students to the academic field of interdisciplinary studies.

Before being admitted to the Program, students must submit an application in which they explain their specific academic and professional goals and a proposed integrated course of study. In consultation with the Program Director, students will select courses (at the 300-400 level) from at least three fields or disciplines relevant to a coherent and unified area of concentration. (This area of concentration cannot replicate an existing major or minor.)

Applications are reviewed by the Program Director and the Interdisciplinary Studies Faculty Review Committee once each semester. The application deadline for admission into the Program for the Fall semester is March 1; the application deadline for admission into the Program for the Spring semester (or Summer terms) is October 1. Students must be accepted with an approved program of study before declaring the Interdisciplinary Studies major.

I. CORE CURRICULUM (34-41) .................................................................34-41

II. FRESHMAN GRADUATION REQUIREMENT (0-3 Credits)
    University 110, The First-Year Experience ..............................................3
    UNIV 110 is required for all new entering freshmen and for new transfer students with fewer than 12 transfer credit hours unless the transfer student has satisfactorily completed a college transition course.

III. FOUNDATION COURSES (6 Credits) ..............................................6

IV. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (30 credits)

    Thirty credits of 300-level or higher course work, including UNIV 498 (Capstone/Senior Seminar), with no more than 15 credits from any one discipline. No more than 24 credits from a single discipline may be combined in the Advanced Study (major area of concentration) and the Related Electives category. No more than six (6) credits for courses numbered 399 may be used to fulfill major requirements. The student’s completed program
(Advanced Study and Related Electives) must reflect a minimum of thirty-six credit hours at the 300-level or higher.

At least 30 credit hours towards degree requirements must be completed in residence at Coastal Carolina University after students are admitted to the Program.

V. ELECTIVES (46-53 Credits)........................................................................46-53

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   (Courses specifically related to major requirements as prerequisites or relevant to the overall program of study.) Six hours should include UNIV 210 and ENGL 390 (or ENGL 459).

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