



INTERDISCIPLINARY MAJORS AND MINORS

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

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DEGREES

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

The Interdisciplinary Studies degree program provides curricular alternatives to the traditional degree programs offered at Coastal Carolina University by allowing students to design programs of study which reflect individual needs and previous educational experience. The program serves the student who has specific and clearly defined academic and career goals.

The Interdisciplinary Studies program serves four distinct student populations:

1. regular students with educational objectives not met by a single degree program;
2. returning students having educational objectives determined by ongoing or intended employment opportunities;
3. returning or transfer students with previously earned college credits; and
4. individuals seeking a broad liberal arts degree.

Application procedures and guidelines for the Interdisciplinary Studies degree program may be obtained from the Director or Assistant Director of Interdisciplinary Studies. The completion of 30 semester credits is recommended before filing an application to the program. All applications for admission will be reviewed by the University Interdisciplinary Studies Committee. Consideration is given to previous course work and suitability of the proposed curriculum to the student's career and educational goals. The student must demonstrate that an individualized course of study will be an educationally sound alternative to traditional degree programs currently being offered at Coastal Carolina University.

Students applying to the Interdisciplinary Studies degree program, under the guidance of consulting faculty, develop a program of study listing the courses proposed to complete a degree program. Admission is not complete until the program of study contract has been approved by the University Interdisciplinary Studies Committee. All students must complete their approved program of study to be eligible for graduation. Any subsequent change of MINOR requirements in the program will require the prior written approval of the student's faculty adviser and the Director of the Interdisciplinary Studies Program. Any subsequent change of MAJOR requirements in the program of study will require the prior written approval of the student's faculty adviser, the Director of Interdisciplinary Studies, and the University Interdisciplinary Studies Committee.

The Interdisciplinary Studies program may accept up to 60 semester hours from technical colleges and up to 30 semester hours of nontraditional credit, provided that transcripts for such nontraditional activities are submitted. Transfer credit granted for technical and nontraditional studies apply as elective credit only. A maximum of 76 credits may be transferred for degree credits from any regionally accredited two-year college transfer program. A maximum of 90 credits may be transferred for degree credits from any regionally accredited four-year college or university. A maximum of nine (9) credits for Independent Study and/or Internship may be used to fulfill the degree requirements. The Interdisciplinary Studies Program requires its graduates to earn 122 semester credits with a minimum 2.00 GPA. The last 30 credits before graduation must be registered for and completed after acceptance into the program.

The guidelines printed here apply to Bachelor of Arts degree programs. Bachelor of Science degree programs require a mathematics sequence which includes MATH 160 and a minimum of twelve (12) hours of upper division (300-level or higher) credits in mathematics or the sciences.

Courses in MAJOR REQUIREMENTS require a grade of **C** or above.

One course labeled Writing Intensive (WI) must be taken by every student during each of the sophomore, junior, and senior years. English 101 and 102 are designated as writing intensive courses in the freshman year. In addition, one course labeled Computer Usage (CU) must be successfully completed by every student before graduation.

I. CORE CURRICULUM (44-52 Credits) Credits

English 101, 102	6
English 275, 276, 287, 288 (Choose one).....	3
Foreign Language (through 130)	3-9
Politics 201	3
History 101, 102, 111, 112, 201, 202 (Choose two).....	6
Mathematics - Choose one of the following options*	6-8

OPTION I

Choose a set of the following:

Mathematics 101-102, 130 or 130I-131, 130 or 130I-132,
131-160, 160-161

OPTION II

Choose one:

Mathematics 130, 130I, 131, 132, 160, 161

AND

Choose one:

Statistics 201/201L, Psychology 225 and 225L,
Business Administration 291

Science - Choose one sequence of courses, including corresponding labs.....8

Astronomy 111 and 112; Biology 121, 122, 232 and 242;

Chemistry 101 and 102, 111 and 112; Geology 111 and 112;

Marine Science 101 and 102, 111 and 112; Physics 101 and 102,
201 and 202, 211 and 212; Science 101.

Art History 105 or 106, Music 110, Philosophy 101, Philosophy 318,

Religion 103, Theater 101 (Choose one)3

Economics 101, 201, 202; Geography 121; Politics 101, 102 (Choose one)3

Health Education 121, Psychology 101, Sociology 101,

Sociology 102 (Choose one).....3

*The mathematics courses selected should be complementary to those courses included in the student's program of study.

II. FOUNDATION COURSES (6 Credits)

Theater 140	3
Computer Science 105 or appropriate Computer Usage Course	3

III. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (30 Credits)30

Thirty credits of 300-level or higher course work, including the Senior Seminar (UNIV 498), with no more than 15 credits from any discipline. No more than 24 credits from a single discipline may be combined in the advanced study (major) category and the related electives category. Fifteen (15) credits in the major category must be taken in residence at Coastal. No more than six (6) credits for courses numbered 399 may be used to fulfill the major requirements. The student's completed program must reflect a minimum of thirty-six credit hours of study at the 300 level or higher.

IV. COGNATE OR MINOR REQUIREMENTS	0
V. ELECTIVES (34-42 Credits)	
A. Related Electives.....	21
(Courses specifically related to major requirements as prerequisites or relevant to the overall program of study.) Six hours at the 300 level or higher must be included.	
B. Electives	13-21
(Courses not specifically related to major requirement courses.)	
TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED	<hr/> 122

DISTANCE LEARNING

Jennifer Shinaberger, Coordinator

Distance Learning (DL) provides an alternative method for delivery of instruction in a variety of formats. Most of the work is done independently by the student using self-instructional materials prepared by the instructor. For some courses, attendance at four or five on-campus workshops or class sessions during the semester is required with a possibility of additional sessions for testing/examinations. Many of the DL courses require basic computer literacy, Internet, and e-mail access.

Students interested in enrolling in DL courses should consult with their adviser.

INTERDISCIPLINARY MINORS

INTERDISCIPLINARY COMMUNICATION MINOR

Adviser: Dr. Lee Bollinger

Communication 101	3
Communication 274.....	3
Communication 401.....	3
English 459	3
Theater 341	3
Two courses chosen from the following	6
Business Administration 350, Communication 302, Communica- tion 495, Computer Science 120, Journalism 309, Philosophy 305, or Theater 334	

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED:	<hr/> 21
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A grade of C is required in each course to be applied toward the minor.

Note: Upper-level courses often require prerequisites that must be met before enrolling. For example, Theater 341 Advanced Public Speaking requires that students first complete Theater 140 Oral Communications, or Business Administration 350. Marketing has a prerequisite of completing either Economics 101 or 202. Depending on the student's major, many prerequisites may be taken as Core Curriculum courses.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR

Adviser: Dr. Pam Martin

Students must select a total of 8 courses for the minor. A foreign language competency is required at the 311 level. If the student has studied another modern language at a comparable level, a substitution may be considered. If English is the student's second language, he/she may be exempt from the foreign language requirement (see sections on Exemptions for Non-Native English speakers and Credit by Examination in the Catalog). Foreign language 350 (study abroad) can be used instead of 311 to satisfy the language requirement. Students intending to obtain the minor in Global Studies might need to take lower levels of the foreign language (e.g. 201, 202), and they should plan to do that ahead of time. A maximum of two courses from one field of study can be used towards the electives for this minor.

Many of the courses listed below are only offered on a limited basis, so when choosing, it is important to verify that the selections will be taught during the desired period of undergraduate study. The student must earn a grade of C (or a passing certificate for Foreign Language 350 (study abroad)) for each course applied to the minor.

Required courses:	Credits
Geography 121	3
Politics 101	3
Religion 103.....	3
French 311, 350, German 311, 350, Spanish 311, 350 (choose one)	3
*see sections on Exemptions for Non-Native English speakers and Credit by Examination in the Catalog.	

Student must choose 4 courses from the following:11-14

Anthropology 102, Biology 390, 391, 392, 477, Business Administration 401, 402, 454, 463, 472, English 329, 382, 425, 443, 488, French 311, 350, 400, 401, Geography 425, German 311, 350, 400, 401, History 308, 314, 320, 321, 326, 327, 333, 337, 348, 349, 377, Marine Science 473, Philosophy 300, 301, 305, 318, 319, 415, Politics 104, 300, 315, 316, 318, 319, 320, 321, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 430, 488, 491, 532, 539, Religion 451, Sociology 307, 310, 465, Spanish 350.

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: **23-26**

WOMEN'S STUDIES MINOR

Preston McKeever-Floyd, Co-Adviser

Nelljean Rice, Co-Adviser

Required Courses:	Credits
Women's Studies 103.....	3
Women's Studies 498.....	3

Electives:

Choose five courses from no fewer than 3 disciplines:

Art Studio 360.....	3
English 443	3

English 444	3
Health Education 480.....	3
History 386.....	3
Psychology 310.....	3
Religion 360.....	3
Sociology 301	3

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 21

A grade of **C** or better is required in each course to be applied toward the minor. One independent study course will be allowed. In lieu of one 400-level course, a student may arrange to take an internship with an organization or agency focusing primarily on women’s issues.