Middle Georgia State College
Non-Substantive Program
Modification Proposal Form

Instructions: All program modifications must be signed by the Chair and Dean and submitted to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Faculty Initiating Request: Patrick Brennan
Submission Date: 04/09/2015

Department/School: Media, Culture, and the Arts

Degree Program: Interdisciplinary Studies (B. A.)
Effective Date: fall 2015

Provide a description of the program exactly as it will appear in the catalog:

See Attached

Faculty Member: 6/10/15
Date

Assistant Provost of Academic Planning & Policy: 5/17/15
Date

Provost: 6/10/15
Date

Chair Academic Affairs Committee: 9/7/15
Date

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Current Program:

Area F Credit: 18 hours
Major Field
- HUMN 2151-Special Topics Credit: 3 hours
- Area C Credit: 3-9 hours
- Area D Credit: 0-8 hours
- Area E Credit: 3-9 hours
- Approved Electives Credit: 0-6 hours

Area C Credit = Any 3 credit hour 1000-2000 level course with the following designations: ARTS 1000, COMM, ENGL, FREN, GRMN, HUMN, MUSC, SPAN, or THEA.

Area D Credit = Any 1000-2000 level course with the following designations: ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, CPSC, MATH, PHSC, PHYS, or SCIE.

Area E Credit = Any 1000-2000 level course with the following designations: ANTH, ECON, HIST, PSYC, POLS, SOCI, PSYC.

Approved academic electives are those deemed by any Media, Culture, and the Arts advisor to be appropriate to the special academic and career goals of the student; these electives are not course substitutions; therefore, no paperwork needs to be filed. No courses applied in Areas A-E may be applied in Area F.

Interdisciplinary Concentration (15 hours)
*All courses must have a common designation.

Interdisciplinary Electives: 27 hours
Note: The Interdisciplinary Studies program of study requires 21 hours of upper division (3000/4000 level) IDS elective course work with a minimum of 18 hours of course work on the 4000-level. Students can receive no more than twenty-one (21) units of lower division (1000/2000) credit outside of the core curriculum.

Modified Program:

Area F Credit: 18 hours
Major Field
- HUMN 2151-Special Topics Credit: 3 hours
- Any Approved Area A-F Course Credit: 0-15 hours

No courses already applied in Areas A-E may be applied in Area F.

Interdisciplinary Concentration (15 hours)
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Provide a brief rationale for this program modification. For example, does it reflect updated disciplinary content? Does it align the program with state or national norms? Does it promote progression?

To address the BOR mandate that we progress more students through the IDS (B.A.) in order to comply with Complete College Georgia.
Interdisciplinary Studies (B.A.)

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies offers students a broad-based, flexible curriculum in the arts and sciences so that the individual may design a course of study to meet his or her interests and career oriented needs. The Department of Media, Culture, and the Arts supervises the program of study leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies. Course work in support of this degree program is offered throughout the college including business, information technology, humanities, and social sciences. Many different types of students benefit from the Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. Students can combine interests and gain proficiency in specific career areas that are difficult to obtain with other degree programs. Although the degree is flexible, some restrictions do exist.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in Area F and all upper-level coursework.

Note: The Interdisciplinary Studies Program of Study requires 39 hours of upper-level course work (3000/4000 level) with a minimum of 18 hours of course work at the 4000-level.

Curriculum for the Interdisciplinary Studies Degree

Area A Credit: 9 hours
Essential Skills
  • ENGL 1101 - English Composition I Credit: 3 hours
  • ENGL 1102 - English Composition II Credit: 3 hours
  • Area A Math Elective Credit: 3 hours

Note: Courses required for Area A must be completed within the first 30 hours.

Area B Credit: 4 hours
Institutional Options
  • Perspectives Elective Credit: 4 hours

Note: Some area B electives may also fulfill the Global Perspectives requirement.

Area C Credit: 6 hours
Humanities/Fine Arts
  • Literature Elective Credit: 3 hours
  • Area C Elective Credit: 3 hours

Note: Some Area C electives may also fulfill the Global Perspectives requirement.

Area D Credit: 11 hours
Science, Math, and Technology
  • Lab Science Elective Credit: 4 hours
  • Lab Science Elective Credit: 4 hours
  • Area D Elective Credit: 3 hours

Area E Credit: 12 hours
Social Sciences
  • HIST 2111 - United States History to 1865 Credit: 3 hours
  • or
  • HIST 2112 - United States History since 1865 Credit: 3 hours

and
  • POLS 1101 - American Government Credit: 3 hours
  • Area E Elective Credit: 3 hours
  • Area E Elective Credit: 3 hours

Note: Some Area E electives may also fulfill the Global Perspectives requirement.

Area F Credit: 18 hours
Major Field
  • HUMN 2151-Special Topics Credit: 3 hours
• Any Approved Area A-F Course Credit: 0-15 hours
No courses already applied in Areas A-E may be applied in Area F

Global Perspectives Requirement Credit: 3 hours

Choose one of the following courses:
• ENGL 2111 - World Literature I Credit: 3 hours*
• ENGL 2112 - World Literature II Credit: 3 hours*
• HIST 1111 - History of World Civilizations to 1650 Credit: 3 hours**
• HIST 1112 - History of World Civilizations Since 1650 Credit: 3 hours**
• HIST 1190 - History of World Religions Credit: 3 hours**
• HUMN 1009 (SSCI 1009) - Perspectives on Global Cultures Credit: 3 hours***
• POLS 2301 - Introduction to Comparative Politics Credit: 3 hours**
• POLS 2401 - Introduction to Global Issues Credit: 3 hours**
• SSCI 1009 (HUMN 1009) - Perspectives on Global Cultures Credit: 3 hours***

*These Global Perspectives courses may also fulfill Area C requirements
**These Global Perspectives courses may also fulfill Area E requirements
*** These Global Perspectives courses may also fulfill Area B requirements

Total Hours: 60

Upper - level courses – 60 hours

Interdisciplinary Studies Core: 18 hours

Communication Elective: Choose One
• COMM 3015 - Intercultural Communication in a Global Society Credit: 3 hours
• ENGL 3106 - Professional Communication Credit: 3 hours
• NMAC 3108 - Writing for Digital Media Credit: 3 hours

Cultural Studies Elective: Choose One
• HUMN 3010 - Introduction to Cultural Studies Credit: 3 hours
• HUMN 3205 - Gender Studies Credit: 3 hours
• HUMN 4471 - Comparative Cultures Credit: 3 hours
• HUMN 4472 - Studies in Culture Credit: 3 hours

Theory Elective: Choose One
• COMM 3010 - Communication Theory Credit: 3 hours
• ENGL 3010 - Introduction to Literary Studies Credit: 3 hours
• HUMN 3010 - Introduction to Cultural Studies Credit: 3 hours
• SCIE 3110 - Scientific Thought and Theory Credit: 3 hours
• HIST 3000 - Historical Methods Credit: 3 hours

Interdisciplinary Studies Praxis Course: Choose Two
• HUMN 3153 - Organizations, Work, and Literature Credit: 3 hours
• HUMN 3999 - Special Topics Credit: 3 hours
• IDS 4010 - Gender, Media, and Culture Credit: 3 hours
• IDS 4020 - Science, Politics, and Culture Credit: 3 hours
• IDS 4030 - Film, Literature, and Culture Credit: 3 hours
• IDS 4040 - Fashion, Literature, and Culture Credit: 3 hours
• IDS 4050 - Performance, Literature, and Culture Credit: 3 hours

Interdisciplinary Studies Required
• IDS 3800 - Methods in Interdisciplinary Culture Credit: 3 hours

Interdisciplinary Concentration (15 hours)
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Interdisciplinary Electives: 27 hours
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Selected Discipline Concentration: 42 hours
Take the following:

A. 15 Hours of Courses from any One Discipline
The Interdisciplinary Studies Degree requires students to complete five (5) 3000-4000 level electives in a single disciplinary area (HIST, POLS, ENGL, etc.) to be selected with the guidance of an advisor.

B. 27 hours of electives chosen from the Middle Georgia State College course offerings to be determined in consultation with an advisor to fulfill students educational and career objectives.

OR

Gender Studies Concentration: 42 hours
Note: All Gender Studies Students must take ENGL 3010 - Introduction to Literary Studies as their Theory Elective and HUMN 3206 - Gender Studies as their Cultural Studies Elective in the IDS Core.

A. Take the following: 15 hours
• COMM 3016 - Gender Roles and Communication Credit: 3 hours
• ENGL 4440 - Literature by Women Credit: 3 hours
• IDS 4010 - Gender, Media, and Culture Credit: 3 hours
• HIST 4760 - Gender, Marriage and Family in American History Credit: 3 hours
• PSYC 3801 - Psychology of Gender Credit: 3 hours

Note: Any 3000-4000-level Humanities or English Course may be substituted at the discretion of the advisor with documentation of a gendered focus in the class.

B. 27 hours of electives chosen from Middle Georgia State College course offerings to be determined in consultation with an advisor to fulfill students educational and career objectives.

Note: Students who take courses for the IDS Gender Studies Concentration may not use those courses for a minor in Gender Studies.

Total Hours: 120