

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science (IDS) students seek a well-rounded, bachelor's degree that will provide a broad exposure to several of the social sciences, as it prepares them to enter the career market or undertake advanced studies. The IDS major exists to offer students the opportunity to make full use of both the commonality and diversity inherent in the social sciences and to construct from them a well-integrated, multifaceted liberal arts education.

Student in IDS will explore current social issues from in-depth, global, interdisciplinary, and transdisciplinary perspectives.

Throughout their studies, IDS students will be exposed to various social science disciplines: **anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, sociology** among **others**. As they choose their topics of interest, the students develop the necessary skills: **analytical and critical thinking, effective** and **assertive communications**, and **applied research** and **high impact learning**.

Major Requirements

Interdisciplinary Courses (9 Credits)

IDS	299	Integration of Social Science Perspectives (3)
IDS	495	Interdisciplinary Research Methods (3)
IDS	499	Interdisciplinary Studies Capstone (3)

Foundation Courses (9-12 Credits)

ANP	201	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
EC	201	Introduction to Microeconomics (3)
EC	202	Introduction to Macroeconomics (3)
GEO	204	World Regional Geography (3)
HST	110	Historical Approaches to Contemporary Issues (3)
PLS	200	Introduction to Political Science (3)
PSY	101	Introduction to Psychology (4)
SOC	100	Introduction to Sociology (4)

Cognate (12 Credits) *Select One of the Following:*

<i>Anthropology</i>	<i>History</i>	<i>Sociology</i>
<i>Economics</i>	<i>Political Science</i>	<i>Interdisciplinary Studies</i>
<i>Geography</i>	<i>Psychology</i>	

College of Social Science Breadth Requirement:

Students have flexibility to select a program that aligns with their interests in the form of a minor, additional major, or second-degree program to fulfill the breadth requirement. Please work with your academic advisor to determine the best option for you.



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