

B.A.A.S., INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES - GOALS OPTION

Admission Requirements

The admission process for an interdisciplinary studies major with a general studies concentration:

- Contact the office of Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Studies at 907-474-6396 or 888-823-8780 for materials, procedures and to make an appointment with an interdisciplinary studies advisor.
- If you are not currently a UAF student, are attending as a nondegree student or are enrolled in an associate or certificate program, you need to apply for admission to a bachelor's degree program with the UAF Office of Admissions (<https://www.uaf.edu/admissions/apply/>). If you are currently active in a bachelor's degree program at UAF, you do not need to reapply for admission and can skip this step.
- Draft an interdisciplinary proposal which should include the following:
 - Your name and UA ID number
 - The degree type you are pursuing: B.A., B.S. or B.A.A.S.
 - A proposed title of the interdisciplinary major,
 - A description of your major. The description should include academic outcomes of the major, including skills and knowledge that will be gained. It can include information about how the major will prepare you for specific careers. In addition, it should explain how the proposed major differs from established UAF degree programs. Personal information can be included to explain why the proposed major is a good fit for you. You can also draft a list of courses that you would like to include in your major.
 - Note that an interdisciplinary major must include course work from more than one discipline, cannot be titled the same as an existing major and must demonstrate a cohesive body of knowledge or skills.
- Contact faculty members (three minimum) to serve as your interdisciplinary committee. One faculty member will serve as the chair/advisor. The faculty chair should be affiliated with an academic unit that provides the degree level you are seeking. You should arrange a committee meeting for all members to meet and discuss your proposal. At this meeting, the committee will review your interdisciplinary proposal and provide feedback or help you choose your title and proposed courses. They will also help you select an appropriate graduation capstone. An interdisciplinary capstone can be (but is not limited to) an internship, a research project or a course.
- After receiving feedback and advice from your faculty committee, you will fill out an interdisciplinary studies Approval Form and attach the edited final draft of your interdisciplinary proposal. The form must be signed by you, each of your committee members and the dean of your committee chair. The signed form and attached proposal are then sent to the interdisciplinary studies advisor who will review the packet with the vice provost for final approval.
- Once your interdisciplinary studies packet is approved, you will be notified by email, and your Degree Works will be updated to show your

new major's courses. You will work with your committee chair as your primary academic advisor going forward.

- Any changes to the approved curriculum are made only with the approval of your faculty committee chair and submitted on a UAF Undergraduate Petition Form and signed by all necessary parties. Petitions should be submitted to the interdisciplinary studies program advisor who will review the packet with the vice provost for final approval.
- When you graduate, the approved title of your major will appear on your transcript and diploma as "Interdisciplinary Studies: Your Title."

More information can be found on the interdisciplinary studies website (<https://www.uaf.edu/inds/>).

Program Requirements

Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.

Minimum Requirements for Interdisciplinary Studies B.A.A.S.: 120 credits

Code	Title	Credits
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General University Requirements

Complete the general university requirements. (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/bachelors/>)

General Education Requirements

Complete the general education requirements. (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/bachelors/general-education-requirements/>)

B.A.A.S. Degree and Program Requirements

Complete the B.A.A.S. degree requirements. (<https://catalog.uaf.edu/archives/2020-2021/bachelors/summary-of-bachelors-degree-reqs/#bachelorofappliedartsandsciencestext>)

Interdisciplinary Studies Program Requirements

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Complete an Associate of Applied Science degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

Capstone

An interdisciplinary capstone will be approved by the student's interdisciplinary committee. The capstone can be, but is not limited to, an internship, a research project or a course.

- An interdisciplinary major must include course work from more than one discipline, cannot be titled the same as an existing major and must demonstrate a cohesive body of knowledge or skills. Courses in the major must be approved by an advisory committee of at least three faculty members, the dean of the faculty committee chair and the vice provost. An interdisciplinary major from UAF consists of a minimum of 30 credits, at least 12 of which have to be earned at UAF.

Note: At least 39 upper-division credits (300-499) must be earned to complete a UAF bachelor's degree.

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