

Interdisciplinary Studies (BS) (16LSMBS)

Freshman Year

Fall Semester	Credit	Spring Semester	Credit
ENG 101 Academic Writing & Research ^H	4	Mathematical Science ^{A,8}	3
Mathematical Science ^{A,8}	3	Natural Science ^{B,6}	4
Natural Science ^{B,6}	4	Social Science ^{D,5}	3
Social Science ^{D,5}	3	Free Electives ¹⁰	4
HES_*** Health & Exercise Studies Course ^E	1	HES_*** Health & Exercise Studies Course ^E	1
	15		15

Sophomore Year

Fall Semester	Credit	Spring Semester	Credit
Calculus ⁸	3	Science Elective ⁷	4
Natural Science ⁶	4	Arts & Letters ⁴	3
Literature ¹	3	History ^{1,C}	3
Philosophy ^{2,C}	3	IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3
Free Elective ¹⁰	3	Social Science ⁵	3
	16		16

Junior Year

Fall Semester	Credit	Spring Semester	Credit
Advanced Writing & Speaking ³	3	GEP Additional Breadth Req (MS/NS/E) ^F	3
Free Elective ¹⁰	4	Advanced Science/Technology Option ⁹	3
GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives Req ^G	3	Advanced Science/Technology Option ⁹	3
IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3	IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	2-3
IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3	IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3
	16		14-15

Senior Year

Fall Semester	Credit	Spring Semester	Credit
Advanced Science/Technology Option ⁹	3	IDS 490 Interdisciplinary Methods and Issues ¹¹	3
Advanced Science/Technology Option ⁹	3	Advanced Science/Technology Option ⁹	3
IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3	IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3
IDS (self-design) Concentration ¹¹	3	GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives Req ^G	2-3
Free Elective ¹⁰	3	Free Elective ¹⁰	3
	15		14-15

Minimum Credit Hours Required for Graduation* I, J, K, 12, 13, 14 :

Major/Program Footnotes

1. History and Literature – one HI course and one Lit course.

One course in history chosen from the CHASS approved course list (AFS 275, 276, HI 205, 207, 208, 209, 210, 215, 216, 221, 232, 233, 251, 252, 263, 264, 270, 275, 276) and one course in literature chosen from the CHASS approved course list (AFS 248, ENG 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 232, 233, 246, 248, 249, 251, 252, 261, 262, 265, 266, 305, 349, 351, 362, 363, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 376, 377, 380, 382, 383, 385, 390, 394, 398, 399, 406, 407, 420, 439, 448, 449, 451, 452, 453, 462, 463, 464, 465, 468, 469, 470, 471, 486, or 487, FL 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 394, 406, or 407, FLF 301, 302, 316, 323, 324, 352, 414, 415, or 492, FLN 301, 302, 401, FLS 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 323, 341, 342, 343, 351, 352, 353, 403, 404, or 492, FLG 300, 316, or 323, FLR 303 or 304, GRK 320, HON 202).

2. Philosophy

Any 3-credit hour PHI course on the GEP Humanities course list.

3. Advanced Writing & Speaking

Three credit hours of ENG 201, 215, 272, 287, 288, 289, 323, 331, 332, or 333, COM 110, 112, 211, or any 200-level foreign language course may be to fulfill this requirement.

4. Arts & Letters

All HA courses, all 200 and above REL courses, ADN 111, 112, 202, 212, 219, 231, 272, 273, 281, 311, 384, 386, 414, or 454, AFS 340 or 375, ARC 140, 141, or 142, ARS 251, 252, 259, 306, 351, or 353, COM 103 203, 213, 233, 243, 303, 321, 323, 333, 340, 364, 374, or 411, DAN 272 or 295, ENG 282, 283, 321, 364, 374, 411, or 492, FL 216, FLF 318, FLG 318, FLS 318, GD 200 or 342, GRK 310, IDS 496, LAR 444, LAT 310, MUS 180, 200, 201, 202, 205, 206, 230, 260, 306, 310, 315, 320, 330, 335, 350, 360. Courses in major field of study are excluded.

5. Social Science

Nine (9) credit hours total of social sciences required, six (6) credit hours of which must be taken from GEP Social Sciences course list. No more than two courses (6 hours) may come from the same area. Students may select from the following areas: Anthropology, Cultural Geography, Economics, Politics and Government, Psychology, Sociology, and Linguistics (BUS 305, FOR 460, and AFS/PSY 345 cannot be used to satisfy this requirement). Courses in self-design major are excluded.

6. Natural Science

Three basic laboratory science courses from the GEP list of Natural Sciences courses. One course each from three of the following areas: Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, and Physics.

7. Science Elective

One additional laboratory science course from the GEP list of Natural Sciences courses.

8. Calculus and Mathematics

A 3-4 hour introductory course in calculus: MA 121, 131, 141, 231, or 241; and 6 hours to be chosen from courses on the GEP Mathematical Sciences list. Credit may not be received for more than one of MA 121, 131, and 141. Students will not be given credit for MA 111 if have taken MA 107 or MA 108.

9. Advanced Science/Technology Option

A 15-hour concentration in one area of science, technology, or mathematics is required. Students select these courses under the guidance of their self-design adviser. CHASS Assistant Dean of Student Affairs must approve courses.

10. Free Electives

Any course except ECI 105, ENG 110, MA 100, 101, FL 100 and 101, FLS 105, LAT 101, and GRK 101. 100-level foreign-language courses can be used as free electives if they are in languages other than the language the student uses to fulfill major language requirement. Only 12 credit hours of free electives may be taken for credit only (S/U).

11. Interdisciplinary Studies (Self-Design) Concentration

Students design their own academic major by developing a concentration or field of specialization with 27 hours of

approved courses, including IDS 490, from two or more disciplines. No more than 15 credit hours may come from a single discipline. At least five courses must be from the humanities and social sciences, including courses offered by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHASS), Economics courses and courses on the approved General Education Program (GEP) humanities and social sciences list. At least three of these five courses must be taught in CHASS. All such proposals must be reviewed by a faculty sponsor and approved by the IDS committee. Contact department for more information.

12. C- is required in all courses in the Interdisciplinary Studies (Self-Design) Concentration.

13. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required in Advanced Science/Technology Option courses for graduation.

14. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 is required for graduation.

***General Education Program (GEP) requirements and GEP Footnotes**

To complete the requirements for graduation and the General Education Program, the following category credit hours and co-requisites must be satisfied. University approved GEP course lists for each of the following categories can be found at <https://oucc.dasa.ncsu.edu/general-education-program/>.

A. Mathematical Sciences (6 credit hours – one course with MA or ST prefix)

Fulfilled as part of the Major requirement⁸

B. Natural Sciences (7 credit hours – include one laboratory course or course with a lab)

Fulfilled as part of the Major requirement⁶

C. Humanities (6 credit hours selected from two different disciplines/course prefixes)

Fulfilled as part of the Major requirement^{1,2}

D. Social Sciences (6 credit hours selected from two different disciplines/course prefixes)

Fulfilled as part of the Major requirement⁵

E. Health & Exercise Studies (2 credit hours – at least one 100-level Health & Exercise Studies Course)

Choose from the University approved GEP Health & Exercise Studies course list.

F. Additional Breadth – (3 credit hours to be selected from the following checked University approved GEP course lists)

XX Mathematical Sciences/Natural Sciences/Engineering

G. Interdisciplinary Perspectives (5-6 credit hours)

Choose from the University approved GEP Interdisciplinary Perspectives course list

H. Introduction to Writing (4 credit hours satisfied by completing ENG 101 with a C- or better)

The following **Co-Requisites** must be satisfied to complete the General Education Program requirements

I. U.S. Diversity (USD)

Choose from the University approved GEP U.S. Diversity course list or choose a course identified on the approved GEP course lists as meeting the U.S. Diversity (USD) co-requisite.

J. Global Knowledge (GK)

Choose from the University approved GEP Global Knowledge course list or choose a course identified on the approved GEP course lists as meeting the Global Knowledge (GK) co-requisite.

K. Foreign Language proficiency – Proficiency at the FL_102 level is required for graduation.