MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES, BAT

Bachelor of Arts in Multidisciplinary Studies (300105BAT)

The Multidisciplinary Studies program is a self-designed major, allowing the student to examine traditional disciplines from diverse points of view and to plan a program of study targeted to his/her specific needs and interests. This program also serves students who desire to bring closure to their education when they have accumulated hours in varied areas without clear progress to a specific major or those who have divergent interests that cannot be accommodated in a traditional degree program.

Requirements

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* Bachelor’s degrees require a minimum of 120 credit hours for graduation.

General Education Courses

Students pursuing a bachelor’s degree must complete the following General Education coursework. Diversity courses may also fulfill major or Breadth of Knowledge requirements. Integrated and Applied Learning courses may also fulfill requirements in the major.

Academic Foundations

- Mathematics, Statistics and Logic: 3 credit hours
- Speaking: 3 credit hours
- Writing: 6 credit hours

Breadth of Knowledge

- Arts/Humanities: 9 credit hours
- Natural Sciences: 7 credit hours
- Social Sciences: 6 credit hours

Diversity

- Domestic Diversity
- Global Diversity

Integrated and Applied Learning

- Select one class from one of the following subcategories:
  - Complex Issues Facing Society
  - Capstone

Review the General Education Requirements page for detailed course listings.

Total Hours 34

Foreign Culture and College Requirements

A minimum of 6 credits of course work in foreign culture. Students may complete coursework in foreign language or sign language, courses focusing on a foreign culture (e.g., History of Mexico, Latin American Politics, etc.) or culture courses completed during a Study Abroad experience. Courses shall be selected by the student with approval of the Associate Dean. Note, courses used to meet General Education requirements (i.e. Global Diversity) will not also be counted towards the 6 credits of course work in foreign culture requirement.

Students must also complete a minimum of 40 credits (excluding workshops) consisting of either:

- Upper-level (300/400) courses both in and outside of the student’s major;
- or other courses outside the major department approved by the student’s major department chair (permission should be obtained prior to enrollment); these may not include workshops

Total Hours 6

Multidisciplinary Studies Requirements

Select one of the following tracks:

**Track 1**

Primary area of focus

Select 21 hours in one BCAS program area

Secondary area of focus

Select 15 to 18 hours in another area (may be a mixed or non-BCAS area)

Tertiary area of focus

Select 15 to 18 hours in another area (may be a mixed area)

Total Hours 54

**Track 2**

Primary area of focus

Select 30 hours in one BCAS program area

Secondary area of focus

Select 24 hours in another area (may be a mixed or non-BCAS area)

Total Hours 54

1 A minimum of 9 upper level (300/400) credit hours are required in two of the three concentration areas. Two of the three concentration areas (including the primary area) must be within the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences.

2 A minimum of 9 upper level (300/400) credit hours are required in each concentration area.

Note: This is an individually designed degree and may be done only with approval of the BCAS Dean who oversees it.