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.

The following information has official approval of **The Buchtel College of Arts & Sciences**, but is intended only as a supplemental guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of transfer and admission to the degree-granting college. Students should refer to the Degree Progress Report (DPR) which is definitive for graduation requirements. *Completion of this degree within the identified time frame below is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing courses, prerequisites, among others.* The transfer process is completed through an appointment with your academic advisor.

Three year accelerated option: for first time students who have earned credits for at least the first year of courses. Credits can be earned through qualifying scores on appropriate Advanced Placement (AP) exams or through College Credit Plus Program (CCP) courses. Credits for qualifying AP scores or CCP courses are determined by the appropriate academic department. Departments may assign varied course credit, depending on the student's score on an AP exam or grade in a CCP course. Students may also receive credit by examination or via placement tests, where appropriate.

Requirements Summary

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements (https://bulletin.uakron.edu/undergraduate/general-education/)		36
Foreign Culture Requirement		6
Multidisciplinary Studies Requirements		54
Additional Credits for Graduation *		24
Total Hours		**120**

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

General Education Courses

Code	Title	Hours
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		**12**
Mathematics, Statistics and Logic: 3 credit hours		
Speaking: 3 credit hours		
Writing: 6 credit hours		
Breadth of Knowledge		**22**
Arts/Humanities: 9 credit hours		
Natural Sciences: 7 credit hours		
Social Sciences: 6 credit hours		
Diversity		
Domestic Diversity		
Global Diversity		
Integrated and Applied Learning		**2**
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		**36**

Foreign Culture and College Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
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.		**6**
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

Code	Title	Hours
Multidisciplinary Studies Tracks		
Select one of the following tracks:		**54**
Track 1 [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)		
Track 2 [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.