INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
(COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES)

The College of Arts and Sciences offers two interdisciplinary studies degrees, the Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies (BAIS) and the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (BSIS), for students who want to pursue interdisciplinary studies without a major in a single department or in one of the structured interdepartmental degree programs (African American studies, classics, European studies, film studies, Latin American studies, marine science, and women’s studies). The Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies and the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies are not intended to be substitutes for approved major and minor programs. The degree programs are under the general supervision of the college Interdisciplinary Studies Committee, and individual programs are administered by special interdisciplinary program committees.

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies programs in the College of Arts and Sciences must focus primarily on disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, and fine arts. Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies programs in the College of Arts and Sciences must focus primarily on disciplines in the sciences, mathematics, and statistics; they may be particularly useful for students who plan to seek teacher certification in more than one science area.

A student who wishes to undertake a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies shall apply to the Assistant Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Undergraduate Academic Affairs and Advising, Flinn Hall.

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Programs

- African American Studies, B.A. (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/african-american-studies-ba/)
- African Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/african-studies-minor/)
- Asian Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/asian-studies-minor/)
- European Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/european-studies-minor/)
- Global Studies, B.A. (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/global-studies-ba/)
- Interdisciplinary Studies, B.A.I.S. (College of Arts and Sciences) (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/bais/)
- Interdisciplinary Studies, B.S.I.S. (College of Arts and Sciences) (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/bsis/)
- Islamic World Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/islamic-world-studies-minor/)
- Jewish Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/jewish-studies-minor/)
- Latin American, Caribbean, and US Latinx Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/latin-american-studies-minor/)
- Law and Society Interdisciplinary Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/law-society-minor/)
- Leadership Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/leadership-studies-minor/)
- Linguistics Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/linguistics-minor/)
- Medical Humanities and Culture Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/medical-humanities-culture-minor/)
- Neuroscience Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/neuroscience-minor/)
- Neurosciences, B.S. (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/neuroscience-bs/)
- Renaissance Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/renaissance-studies-minor/)
- Russian and Eurasian Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/russian-eurasian-studies-minor/)
- Southern Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/southern-studies-minor/)
- Women’s and Gender Studies Minor (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/womens-gender-studies-minor/)
- Women’s and Gender Studies, B.A. (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary-studies/womens-gender-studies-ba/)

Courses

IDST 390 - Introduction to Interdisciplinary Inquiry  (3 Credits)
A study of the history, philosophy, and theory of and modes of inquiry in interdisciplinary studies.

STEM 101 - Concepts and Connections: An Introduction to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics  (3 Credits)
This course introduces concepts, connections, and evolving relationships among the sciences engineering and mathematics to strengthen understanding of current ideas and applications of advancing technologies.