

### Interdisciplinary Studies: Fine and Performing Arts Concentration Option 2 / Three Fields (minor plus two fields)

There are two options available for the Interdisciplinary Studies major, see yellow box below.

Course in Field 1 (Minor)   (3)		FRESHMAN YEAR		SOPHOMORE YEAR
FYE 1000   First Year Experience Seminar	Fall Semester	15 Credits	Fall Semester	15 Credits
LA&S - Math Elective	ENGL 1100	Writing I(3)		Course in Field 1 (Minor)(3)
LA&S - Health and Fitness	FYE 1000	First Year Experience Seminar(3)		Course in Field 3*(3)
LA&S Elective		LA&S – Math Elective(3)	MUSC 2000, 2100,	
Advanced LA&S Elective		LA&S – Health and Fitness(3)	2120 <b>,</b> 2130 or 2210	Commonwealth of the Arts course(3)
Advanced LA&S Elective   (3)		LA&S Elective(3)		Language Course for B.A. OR
DIS 1600   Critical & Creative Thinking   (3)   (3)   (3)   (2)   (3)   (2)   (3)   (3)   (3)   (4)	Snring Semester			Advanced LA&S Elective(3)
Spring Semester   15 Credits   Course in Field 1 (Minor: Music, Studio Art or Theater)(3)   Course in Field 2*	-	_		LA&S Elective(3)
Course in Field 1 (Minor: Music, Studio Art or Theater)(3) Course in Field 2*			Spring Semester	15 Credits
Course in Field 2*	ENGL 1200			Course in Field 1 (Minor)(3)
LA&S Elective		, , ,		Course in Field 2*(3)
Language Course for B.A. OR   Advanced LA&S Elective   (3)				IDIS Elective (see specific IDIS list below)(3)
*Possible choices for Fields 2 and 3 are Music, Studio Art and Theater. Fields cannot be the same as minor. See catalogue for specific field requirements.    JUNIOR YEAR   SENIOR YEAR		LAXS Elective(3)		,
SENIOR YEAR   SENIOR YEAR   SENIOR YEAR	*Possible choices for Fields 2 and 3 are Music, Studio Art and Theater. Fields cannot			
To Credits   Fall Semester   15 Credits   Fall Semester   15 Credits   16 Course in Field 1 (Minor)   13 Course in Field 2*	be the same as minor.	See catalogue for specific field requirements.		LA&S Elective(3)
Course in Field 1 (Minor)       (3)       IDIS 3004       IDIS Research Seminar       (3)         Course in Field 2*       (3)       Course in Field 1 (Minor)       (3)         Course in Field 3       (3)       LA&S elective       (3)         Language Course for B.A. OR       Free Elective       (3)         Advanced LA&S Elective       (3)       Free Elective       (3)         Free Elective       (3)       Spring Semester       15 Credits         Spring Semester       1DIS 4004       Capstone seminar       (3)         Course in Field 1 (Minor)       (3)       Course in Field 3*       (3)         Course in Field 2*       (3)       LA&S elective       (3)         Course in Field 3*       (3)       Free elective       (3)         LA&S Elective       (3)       Free elective       (3)         Free elective       (3)       Free elective       (3)		JUNIOR YEAR		SENIOR YEAR
Course in Field 2*	Fall Semester	15 Credits	Fall Semester	15 Credits
Course in Field 3		Course in Field 1 (Minor)(3)	IDIS 3004	IDIS Research Seminar(3)
Language Course for B.A. OR Advanced LA&S Elective		Course in Field 2*(3)		Course in Field 1 (Minor)(3)
Language Course for B.A. OR Advanced LA&S Elective		Course in Field 3(3)		LA&S elective(3)
Advanced LA&S Elective				Free Elective(3)
Free Elective		8 8		Free Elective(3)
Spring Semester         15 Credits         IDIS 4004         Capstone seminar         (3)           Course in Field 1 (Minor)         (3)         Course in Field 3*         (3)           Course in Field 2*         (3)         LA&S elective         (3)           Course in Field 3*         (3)         Free elective         (3)           LA&S Elective         (3)         Free elective         (3)		Free Elective(3)	Spring Semester	15 Credits
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Course in Field 3*(3) Free elective(3)  LA&S Elective(3) Free elective(3)		,		
LA&S Elective(3) Free elective(3)				0,
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		Language Course for B.A. <b>OR</b>		1166 6166(1176(3)

Students will consult with academic advisor about field choices. The advisor will file curriculum with Registrar.

**Option 2: THREE FIELDS** - Consists in a university approved minor, plus two fields of four courses, each field having one discipline, with 50% of each field's courses at the 2000 level or above.

OR Option 1: TWO FIELDS (see seperate fouryear plan of study) - Consists in a university approved minor, plus a field of six courses in one discipline, with 50% of the field courses at the 2000 level or above.

#### IDIS Elective List

Advanced LA&S Elective.....(3)

Choose two electives from the following list: AMST 1800, ARAB 2030, ART 2150, GEOG 1100, GEOG/HIST 2056, IDIS 1000, IDIS 1002, IDIS 1200, IDIS 1800, IDIS 1900, IDIS 2100, IDIS 2540, ITAL 2500, ITAL 3000, ITAL 3100, ITAL 3300, MUSC 2000, MUSC 2100, MUSC 2120, MUSC 2130, MUSC 2210, MUSC 3750, MUSC 3760, PHIL 2001, PHIL 2600, PSY 3010, PSY 3050.

#### **Global Diversity Area**

Two courses taken must meet the Global Diversity requirement: GDAN course + (GDC or GDCN course)  $\bf OR$  GDCN course + (GDA or GDAN course). These courses are allowed to satisfy this requirement and another requirement at the same time.

Completion of 120 credits required for graduation.

#### LA&S Elective List

**Advanced LA&S Options Area** — Review the three options with your advisor, and submit your decision to the Registrar's office by completion of 60 credits.

- 1 AOM attribute (AOM)
- 1 ART attribute (the Arts)
- 1 CTW attribute (Citizenship & the World)
- 1 HIST attribute (History)
- 1 HMN attribute (Human Behavior)
- 1 LAB attribute (Lab Science)
- 1 LIT attribute (Literature)
- 1 SMT attribute (Science, Math & Technology)

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If you want to design a personalized degree program that is relevant to your interests and goals, Fitchburg State University has the program you need. An **Interdisciplinary Studies (IDIS)** degree prepares students to understand the world and become problem solvers by combining methods from various fields.

### Interdisciplinary Studies at a Glance

Full-time faculty from multiple academic disciplines with dedicated advisors for each minor

3 concentrations • 13 minors

A flexible degree program which enables motivated students to design a major that directly reflects their own personal, educational and professional goals.

Visit our department website at: fitchburgstate.edu/humanities

# Why pursue Interdisciplinary Studies at Fitchburg State?

- University focus on teaching
- Small class sizes
- Courses taught by full-time faculty experts
- Individualized attention
- Wide variety of course offerings rivaling much larger universities while maintaining low student-to-faculty ratios

#### What makes the program distinctive?

- Acquisition of knowledge about a range of fields that help students navigate through complex challenges in their lives and in their communities along with a deeper knowledge about 2-3 specific, chosen fields of personal relevance
- Development of critical thinking/analysis skills allowing students to make intelligent, informed

- judgments and to be innovative—to generate new ideas and synthesize information in original ways
- Building of global-minded thought processes and flexible lenses through which to address issues and challenges
- Establishment of the ability to express empathy and respect in individual and professional interactions, allowing for caring and ethical contributions to our diverse and interconnected society

# How will you engage/what will you do as a student of interdisciplinary studies?

- Design and carry out research and creative projects that reflect individualized visions and professional goals
- Define goals and co-create curriculum that leads to advancement in life and career
- Apply learning in real-world settings as diverse as the available fields of study

### Are there opportunities for involvement outside the classroom?

- Musical performance organizations including Chorus, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble and Orchestra
- Visual Arts exhibitions in both the Fitchburg State Gallery and the Fitchburg Art Museum

# What can you do with a Bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies?

- A broad spectrum of career opportunities dependent upon the individualized curriculum chosen
- Graduate studies in line with individualized curriculum (law school, master of arts in education, master of fine arts in art & graphic design, etc.)





