interdisciplinary studies at Western Oregon University

Many of today’s career opportunities do not easily fit into traditional degree programs, but require a familiarity with the content and quality of thought from a variety of disciplines.

Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS) is a degree program designed to broaden the scope of learning outcomes by allowing students more flexibility in selecting complementary coursework from different departments, divisions and even colleges in some cases.

If you are undecided and still considering your choices of major, or if you have almost completed some major requirements and are considering making a change, or if you are a transfer or returning student with multiple transcripts, with the help of an academic advisor, you may develop your own degree plan that has the flexibility to tailor your course selections to match specific areas of interest, career goals and/or future graduate studies.

interdisciplinary studies major

Examples of specialized focus areas of study may include:

- **Public relations and community planning**
  Combines humanities and business/economics

- **International relations and world history**
  Combines social sciences and humanities

- **Environmental journalism**
  Combines political science, natural science and communications courses

- **Sports psychology**
  Combines health and physical education with psychology courses

- **Natural science illustration**
  Combines natural sciences and creative arts

- **Criminal investigation**
  Combines psychology, criminal justice and the natural sciences

- **Public policy and business administration**
  Combines social sciences and business/economics

- **Corporate training**
  Combines education, social sciences and business/economics

For more information on the Interdisciplinary Studies degree program please email: advising@wou.edu or IDS@wou.edu, call 1-800-451-5767 ext.2, or visit the IDS office located in Maaske Hall #209.

See the current catalog for a complete list of classes and course descriptions, available online at wou.edu/catalog.

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Achieve your educational goals by following your plan, not ours

The Interdisciplinary Studies degree is designed to provide you with the opportunity to "create your own degree." The degree is comprised of two or three complementary tracks of study brought together to create a unique set of learning objectives. This gives you a greater selection of courses and provides greater flexibility in your schedule, allowing you to stay on track for graduation.

WOU degrees are recognized worldwide

Build on your Associate of Arts/Science degree
Most associate degrees require a broad liberal arts and science component and many people find that there are several academic areas that interest them. The Interdisciplinary Studies degree at Western Oregon University provides a natural continuation of your AA or AS and provides a well-rounded education.

Broaden your horizons with a bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies

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Having difficulty choosing a major?
Take a few minutes to fill out the survey below. Send or bring it with you to meet with an advisor.

Self survey
Complete this survey and send or bring it, along with a copy of your transcript(s).

What subject areas interest me the most?
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What are my three favorite hobbies or interests?
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What subject areas have I taken the most courses in?
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My top three career choices:
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Comments/questions:
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