

Interdisciplinary Studies, BS

The Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies allows students to design a social science-, science-, and humanities-based program of study that reflects their academic passions and strengths. Students have the unique opportunity to choose an area of academic specialization while engaging with the diverse array of disciplines—such as history, music, philosophy, literature, math, science, and psychology—that constitute a liberal studies education, while fostering practical skills essential to the workplace and graduate education—critical thinking, analysis of large bodies of information, problem solving, and effective written communication.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Universitywide Requirement

Minimum 120 total semester hours required.

Minimum 2.000 GPA required.

Students must earn a minimum of 60 Northeastern University semester hours in order to receive a bachelor's degree.

Note: Individual program requirements may exceed the above minima.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/professional-studies/university-academics/nupath/>).

The NUpath requirement Creative Expression/Innovation (EI) is not explicitly satisfied by required courses in the curriculum at this time. Students are responsible for satisfying this requirement, and if this is not fulfilled in required major courses, they should use general electives to do so.

No more than 27 total credits of business courses (ACC, FIN, MGT, MKT) are permitted for the degree.

Foundation Courses

30 semester hours required

Code	Title	Hours
English		
ENG 1105 and ENG 1106	College Writing 1 and Lab for ENG 1105	4
ENG 1107 and ENG 1108	College Writing 2 and Lab for ENG 1107	4
ENG 3107 and ENG 3108	Writing for the Professions: Business and the Social Sciences and Lab for ENG 3107	4
Mathematics		
MTH 1100	College Algebra	3
MTH 2310	Statistics for the Behavioral and Social Sciences	3
Information Technology		
ITC 1000	Computer Applications	3
Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences		
PSY 1100	Foundations of Psychology	3
Philosophy		
PHL 2100 or PHL 2120 or PHL 2130 or PHL 2140	Business Ethics Ethical Issues in Communication Ethical Issues in Healthcare Ethical Issues in Science and Engineering	3
Social Sciences		
CMN 1100	Organizational Communication	3

Core Courses

18 semester hours required

Code	Title	Hours
LDR 1200	Assessing Your Leadership Capacity	3
LDR 3200	Leading and Managing Change	3
HSV 2240	Human Behavior in the Social Environment	3
PJM 1100	Project Management Fundamentals - Project Initiation and Close	3
ENG 3260	Writing to Inform and Persuade	3
CMN 2310	Professional Speaking	3

Major Required Courses

33 semester hours required

Code	Title	Hours
Interdisciplinary		
Self-designed interdisciplinary program created by the student with advisor and faculty, approved by associate dean. Include two or three areas of study. Complete no more than four 1000-level classes.		30
Capstone		
LST 4850	Capstone Project in Liberal Studies	3

Major Electives

18 semester hours required

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 18 semester hours of coursework at or above the 3000 level.		18

Open Electives

Complete a minimum of 21 semester hours to reach 120 semester hours.

Plan of Study

Interdisciplinary studies is a self-designed program. Students will work with their career and academic coach advisor and faculty in order to plan their course-taking schedule in the major and open elective requirement areas.

Term 1	Hours
ENG 1105 and ENG 1106	4
MTH 1100	3
ITC 1000	3
CMN 1100	3
LDR 1200	3
	16
Term 2	Hours
ENG 1107 and ENG 1108	4
PJM 1100	3
CMN 2310	3
LDR 3200	3
PHL 2100	3
	16
Term 3	Hours
ENG 3107 and ENG 3108	4
MTH 2310	3
HSV 2240	3
Major required course	3
	13

Term 4	Hours	
ENG 3260		3
Major required course		3
Major required course		3
Major required course		3
Major required course		3
		15
Term 5	Hours	
Major required course		3
Major required course		3
Major required course		3
Major required course		3
Open elective		3
		15
Term 6	Hours	
Major required course		3
Major elective		3
Major elective		3
Major elective		3
Major elective		3
		15
Term 7	Hours	
Major elective		3
Open elective		3
Open elective		3
Open elective		3
Open elective		3
		15
Term 8	Hours	
LST 4850		3
Major elective		3
Open elective		3
Open elective		3
Open elective		3
		15

Total Hours: 120