Bachelor of Science
Interdisciplinary Studies-Social Sciences

Online Program

Program Overview

The BS Interdisciplinary Studies-Social Sciences (IDS) degree is for students who want to choose their courses according to individual professional/educational goals and interests. Students will create an approved program of study with their advisor, which fulfills their academic and career goals.

Persons earning this degree will find employment in a variety of occupations including human services, business, government and non-profit organizations. Many of our graduates complete advanced degrees in psychology, medicine, pharmacy, sociology, social work, business, library science, law, and political science.

Here is what one of our students had to say about the Interdisciplinary Studies-Social Sciences degree program:

“*My advisor and course instructors challenged old ideals, fostered a learning environment of excellence, and responded with feedback to enhance my learning while in college. Because of this, I am prepared to pursue a career or seek a candidacy in a Master’s Program.*”

Online Admission Process

I. Apply to CWU online - http://www.cwu.edu/admissions/apply-now

Transfer Students

If you meet CWU’s general education requirements through a community college direct transfer agreement (DTA), bachelor’s degree, or equivalent from any state accredited college or university, please submit official electronic or hard copy transcripts from any colleges or universities you have attended to Admissions.

How to Transfer Your College Credits -
http://www.cwu.edu/admissions/transferring-your-college-credits

To determine how your credits will transfer before being admitted to CWU you may request a credit evaluation through the Registrar’s office.


Dual Admission Students –

If you are currently enrolled in a DTA associate's degree or applied/technical degree program at a community college and have completed fewer than 60 quarter credits, you may be eligible for Dual Admission. Please visit our CWU office for more information before applying online at:

http://www.cwu.edu/admissions/dual-admission-program

II. Apply to the major- Application to the major may be completed online at:

http://www.cwu.edu/ sciences/node/2496

Students must be admitted to the major at least 3 quarters prior to graduation. Applicants must have completed 60 credit hours, a minimum of 2.25 cumulative GPA and be in good academic standing for admission to the program.
Curriculum

I. Core list—required courses:

IDS 289 Introduction to the Major (1 credit) is required before entry into this major. This course is designed as an introduction to the Interdisciplinary Studies program and is intended to assist students in designing a cohesive program of study.

Research Methods in the Social Sciences (4-5 credits) choose one:
ANTH 444, LAJ 400, PSY 300, SOC 363 or as approved by Program Director

IDS 389 Academic and Career Exploration (3 credits)

IDS 489 Senior Portfolio Project (1 credit) is required before graduating with this degree. This course, taken during the last quarter of study, is designed as the end of program assessment for the Interdisciplinary Studies majors. Students will prepare a comprehensive degree report and/or descriptive portfolio or project.

II. Approved elective courses (C– or better grade required) from the following disciplines:

A minimum of three disciplines are required for the major.

American Indian Studies (all courses)
Anthropology (all courses)
Economics (all courses)
Environmental Studies (all courses)
Ethnic Studies (all courses)
Geography (all courses)
Health Education (approved courses): HED 209, HED 210, HED 310, HED 317, HED 330, HED 387, HED 450, HED 471, HED 472
History (all courses)
Interdisciplinary Studies - Social Sciences (all courses)
Law and Justice (all courses)
Library Science: LIB 345
Political Science (all courses)
Psychology (all courses)
Sociology (all courses)
University: UNIV 309
Women’s and Gender Studies (all courses)

Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 180 quarter credits is required, including no more than 135 transfer credits. A minimum of 60 credits of upper division study is required (300-400 level). The general education program must be completed as defined in the University catalog. Students holding the appropriate academic transfer associate degree will have met the general education program requirements.

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