

Interdisciplinary Studies Major Concentrations

Fulton School of Liberal Arts

CONCENTRATIONS

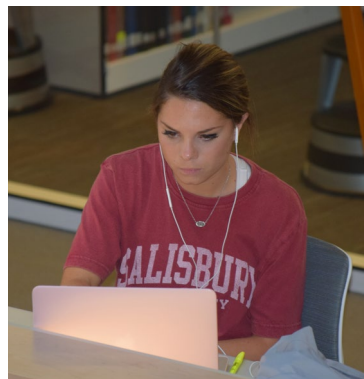
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About the Major

SU offers a major in interdisciplinary studies (IDIS) leading to a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science. This major is a flexible area of study that gives students the opportunity to earn a degree tailored to their unique academic and professional interests by meshing courses from more than one discipline. The goal of interdisciplinary studies at SU is to hone the skills of analysis and critical thinking, effective communication, research and writing, making you an ideal job candidate for a variety of exciting careers.

Africana Studies

SU's Africana Studies Program promotes the understanding, appreciation and advancement of Africana people and culture. Be inspired by the rich diversity of the program as you delve into the history, art, politics, innovation, environment and so much more about diverse people of African heritage on the continent of Africa and in the Caribbean, North America, Latin America, Europe, Asia and around the world.



American Studies

The American Studies Program combines various disciplines from the arts, humanities and social sciences to provide students with a liberal arts degree focused on the American experience of history, culture, society, and institutions, including America's role in a globalizing world. Students take core courses in English literature, history, interdisciplinary studies and political science, then select additional courses among art, communication, dance, environmental studies, music, philosophy, and sociology. Through these disciplines, students build the skills necessary for employment in a knowledge-based economy or to further their studies in graduate or law school.

Anthropology

Through the Anthropology Program, students gain a broad knowledge of human biological and cultural diversity in the past and present, an ability to think critically about the often-contentious issues raised by this diversity, and the ability to communicate their knowledge and opinions through a wide variety of media. Anthropology provides an interdisciplinary foundation for graduate work in the social sciences and a useful background for anyone who will find themselves working with people of other cultures, either in the U.S. or abroad, whether in business, medicine, teaching or advocacy groups. Anthropologists work as activists, archaeologists, health care workers, marketing consultants, crime scene investigators, administrators and researchers in a wide variety of fields – and even create realistic languages for fictional worlds in Hollywood!

Gender and Sexuality Studies

The Gender and Sexuality Studies (GSST) Program examines gender and sexual orientation issues and questions from a contemporary multidisciplinary perspective, investigating the



BENEFITS OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

- Designed for highly motivated, interested students invested in what they study
- Enhance skills in communication, leadership, creativity and critical thinking
- Make connections between ideas and innovations
- Learn professional development career skills and life-long learning

relationship between individual lived experiences and the socio-historical conditions that define and shape those experiences. Students explore how gender and sexuality roles and expectations have been produced and shaped by social institutions such as politics, religion, family, media, medicine, education and art. As a result of this interdisciplinary approach, students gain valuable and marketable skills such as critical thinking, analytical reasoning, problem solving and an understanding of and appreciation for diversity.

Individually Designed

The Individually Designed Program allows students to create a flexible track that is best suited to their interests or career goals. The major accommodates students who wish to develop programs of study in two or more disciplines or create a major in an area of study not offered by a traditional major. Students take core

interdisciplinary courses and work with the IDIS coordinator to develop their proposed program of study to best fit their academic and career goals.

IDIS Concentration Minors

In addition to studying these concentrations for an IDIS major, you can minor in Africana Studies, American Studies, Anthropology, and Gender and Sexuality Studies.

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