University Interdisciplinary Studies Programs

An interdisciplinary studies program is a series of courses focused upon a particular problem or area of concern providing insight from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. The program includes a core of required courses, with some selectivity, and also a wide choice of supporting courses.

Completion of the requirements for an interdisciplinary studies program does not lead to a degree. Credits earned in interdisciplinary studies programs can be used in meeting the requirements for a degree. Courses are noted on the student’s academic record (transcript). Completion of the interdisciplinary studies program is noted on the student’s academic record (transcript) but not on the diploma.

Undergraduate

Undergraduate interdisciplinary studies programs are called Interdisciplinary Minors. A minimum of 21 credits is required for an interdisciplinary minor. A minimum of 12 of the 21 credits must be course work at the upper-division level (300-400).

Minors

• Arabic Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Arts Leadership and Administration Interdisciplinary Minor
• Biomedical Engineering Interdisciplinary Minor
• Conservation Biology Interdisciplinary Minor
• Energy Engineering Interdisciplinary Minor
• Environmental Affairs Interdisciplinary Minor
• Film Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Food Science/Safety Interdisciplinary Minor
• Gerontology Interdisciplinary Minor
• Global Environmental Sustainability Interdisciplinary Minor
• Information Science and Technology Interdisciplinary Minor
• Integrated Resource Management Interdisciplinary Minor
• International Development Interdisciplinary Minor
• Italian Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Latin American and Caribbean Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Leadership Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Legal Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Linguistics and Culture Interdisciplinary Minor
• Molecular Biology Interdisciplinary Minor
• Music, Stage, and Sports Production Interdisciplinary Minor
• Organic Agriculture Interdisciplinary Minor
• Peace and Reconciliation Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Political Communication Interdisciplinary Minor
• Religious Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Russian Studies Interdisciplinary Minor
• Sports Management Interdisciplinary Minor
• Sustainable Water Interdisciplinary Minor
• Women's Study Interdisciplinary Minor

Graduate

Graduate interdisciplinary programs are called Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Programs. No minimum number of credits is specified at the graduate level. Completion of the requirements for an interdisciplinary studies program does not lead to a degree. Credits earned in interdisciplinary studies programs can be used in meeting the requirements for a degree. Courses are noted on the student’s academic record (transcript). Completion of the interdisciplinary studies program is noted on the student’s academic record (transcript) but not on the diploma.

CSU offers interdisciplinary degree programs at the graduate level (listed below). Interdisciplinary degree programs include a series of courses from a variety of academic disciplines. The result of completing an interdisciplinary degree program is a graduate degree. See individual programs below for more details.

Degrees

Master Programs

• Master of Public Health
• Master of Science in Bioengineering
• Master of Science in Cell and Molecular Biology, Plan A*
• Master of Science in Cell and Molecular Biology, Plan B*
• Master of Science in Ecology, Plan A
• Master of Science in Ecology, Plan B
• Master of Science in Ecology, Ecological Risk Assessment and Management Specialization*
• Master of Science in Ecology, Human-Environment Interaction Specialization
• Master in Arts Leadership and Administration

Ph.D.

• Ph.D. in Bioengineering
• Ph.D.in Cell and Molecular Biology*
• Ph.D. in Cell and Molecular Biology, Cancer Biology Specialization
• Ph.D. in Ecology
• Ph.D. in Ecology, Ecological Risk Assessment and Management Specialization*
• Ph.D. in Ecology, Human-Environment Interaction Specialization*

Programs

• Extreme Ultraviolet and Optical Science and Technology Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Food Science/Safety Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• International Development Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Mathematics Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Molecular, Cellular and Integrative Neurosciences Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Peace and Reconciliation Studies Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Political Economy Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Resilience of Social Ecological Systems Interdisciplinary Program
• Systems Engineering Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program
• Women's Study Interdisciplinary Studies Program
* Please see department for program of study.