UNIVERSITY INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES PROGRAMS

An interdisciplinary studies program is a series of courses focused upon a particular problem or area of concern. These courses provide 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

Interdisciplinary Minors are composed of a sequence of related courses, which provide a student with unique opportunities to complement the major and are only offered at the undergraduate level. 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).

Interdisciplinary Minors

- American Sign Language Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/foreign-languages-literatures/american-sign-language-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Arabic Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/arabic-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Biomedical Engineering Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/biomedical-engineering-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Conservation Biology Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/conservation-biology-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Environmental Affairs Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/environmental-affairs-interdisciplinary-minor/) (No new students are being admitted to this minor)
- Environmental Studies in the Liberal Arts Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/environmental-studies-liberal-arts-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Film Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/film-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Food Industry Management Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/agricultural-sciences/agricultural-resource-economics/food-industry-management-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Food Science/Safety Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/food-science-safety-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Gerontology Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/gerontology-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Global Environmental Sustainability Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/global-environmental-sustainability-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Global Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/global-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Information Science and Technology Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/information-science-technology-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- International Development Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/international-development-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Italian Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/italian-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Latin American and Caribbean Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/latin-american-caribbean-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Leadership Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/leadership-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Legal Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/legal-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Linguistics and Culture Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/linguistics-culture-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Molecular Biology Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/molecular-biology-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Music, Stage, and Sports Production Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/music-stage-sports-production-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Organic Agriculture Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/organic-agriculture-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Political Communication Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/political-communication-interdisciplinary-minor/)
- Religious Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/religious-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
• Role of Sustainability in Peace and Reconciliation Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/peace-reconciliation-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
• Russian Studies Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/russian-studies-interdisciplinary-minor/)
• Sport Management Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/sport-management-interdisciplinary-minor/)
• Sustainable Energy Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/sustainable-energy-interdisciplinary-minor/)
• Sustainable Water Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/sustainable-water-interdisciplinary-minor/)
• Women’s Study Interdisciplinary Minor (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/womens-study-interdisciplinary-minor/)

Graduate

A Graduate Certificate is used to identify the successful completion of a focused area of study deemed important to a student’s career objectives. A Graduate Certificate consists of a minimum of 9 specified credits, and not more than 15 credits at the 500 level or above.

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.

Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Programs (GISPs) are composed of a series of courses focused on a particular problem or area of concern providing multi-disciplinary perspectives. 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.

Certificates

• Graduate Certificate in Applied Global Stability: Agriculture (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/global-environmental-sustainability-school/graduate-certificate-applied-global-stability-agriculture/)
• Graduate Certificate in Applied Global Stability: Natural Resources
• Graduate Certificate in Applied Global Stability: Water Resources
• Graduate Certificate in Microbiome Science and Engineering

Degrees

Master’s Programs

• Master of Addiction Counseling in Psychology and Social Work (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/addiction-counseling-psychology-social-work-acsw-masw/)
• Master in Arts Leadership and Cultural Management, Plan C (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/liberal-arts/plan-c/mlcm/)
• Master of Public Health (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/public-health/)
• Master of Science in Bioengineering (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/engineering/bioengineering-ms/)
• Master of Science in Cell and Molecular Biology, Plan A and Plan B (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/cell-molecular-biology/ms-cell-molecular-biology/)
• Master of Science in Ecology, Plan A and Plan B (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/graduate-degree-program-ecology/ms-ecology/)

Ph.D. Programs

• Ph.D. in Bioengineering (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/engineering/bioengineering-phd/#text)
• Ph.D in Cell and Molecular Biology (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/cell-molecular-biology/phd/)
• Ph.D. in Cell and Molecular Biology, Cancer Biology Specialization (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/cell-molecular-biology/phd-cell-molecular-cancer-biology-specialization/)
• Ph.D. in Ecology (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/graduate-degree-program-ecology/phd-ecology/)
• Ph.D. in Ecology, Human-Environment Interactions Specialization (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/graduate-degree-program-ecology/phd-ecology-human-environment-interaction-specialization/)

Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Programs

• Extreme Ultraviolet and Optical Science and Technology Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/extreme-ultraviolet-optical-science-technology-program/)
• Food Science/Safety Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/food-science-safety-program/)
• International Development Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/international-development-program/)
• Mathematics Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/mathematics-program/)
• Molecular, Cellular and Integrative Neurosciences Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/molecular-cellular-integrative-neurosciences-program/)
• Political Economy Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/
interdisciplinary-studies/political-economy-program/) (No new students are being admitted into this program)

- Resilience of Social Ecological Systems Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/resilience-social-ecological-systems/)

- Sustainable Peace and Reconciliation Studies Graduate Interdisciplinary Studies Program (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/university-wide-programs/interdisciplinary-studies/peace-reconciliation-program/)