

BACHELOR OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

The IDS major is available to students at all levels of their academic careers from the beginning freshman to the returning degree-completion student with previously earned credits. IDS transfers who have earned an AA or AS degree from a regionally-accredited (for college transfer) technical or community college or have completed the general education requirements at an accredited baccalaureate institution will have satisfied the general education requirements for the bachelor of arts or bachelor of science degrees in IDS. A minimum of 30 semester hours must be completed in residence at USC Upstate after acceptance into the IDS program.

Student Worksheet

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements		
<i>I. Communication</i>		
English		
Select two of the following:		6
ENGL U101	Composition I	
ENGL U102	Composition II	
Speech		
SPCH U201	Foundations in Oral Communication	3
<i>II. Mathematics, Logic & Natural Sciences</i>		
Mathematics		
Select one of the following:		3-4
MATH U102	Elementary Statistics	
MATH U120	College Mathematics	
MATH U121	College Algebra	
MATH U122	Calculus for Management and Social Sciences	
MATH U126	Precalculus I	
MATH U127	Precalculus II	
MATH U141	Calculus I	
MATH U142	Calculus II	
MATH U174	Elements of Discrete Mathematics	
MATH U231	Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics I	
Natural Science (w/lab)		
Select one of the following:		4
ASTR U111 & U111L	Descriptive Astronomy and Descriptive Astronomy Laboratory	
BIOL U101 & U101L	Introductory Biology I and Introductory Biology I Lab	
BIOL U102 & U102L	Introductory Biology II and Introductory Biology II Lab	
BIOL U110 & U110L	General Biology and General Biology Lab	
BIOL U244 & U244L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	
CHEM U106 & U106L	Chemistry and Society and Chemistry and Society Lab	
CHEM U109 & U109L	Chemistry of Living Things and Chemistry of Living Things Lab	

CHEM U111 & U111L	General Chemistry and General Chemistry Lab
CHEM U112 & U112L	General Chemistry and Qualitative Analysis and General Chemistry and Qualitative Analysis Lab
GEOL U101 & U101L	Physical Geology and Physical Geology Lab
GEOL U102 & U102L	Historical Geology and Historical Geology Lab
GEOL U103 & U103L	Environmental Geology and Environmental Geology Lab
PHYS U101 & U101L	Introduction to Physical Science and Introduction to Physical Science Laboratory
PHYS U201 & U201L	General Physics I and General Physics I Lab
PHYS U202 & U202L	General Physics II and General Physics II Lab
Math, Logic and/or Natural Science	
Select 3-12 credits of the following: ¹	
Any Mathematics or Natural Sciences course/s listed above	
BIOL U143 & U143L	Foundations of Human Physiology and Foundations of Human Physiology Laboratory
BIOL U206	Genetics and Society
BIOL U240	Human Biology and Society
BIOL U260	Emerging Infectious Diseases
BIOL U270	Environmental Science
ECON U291	Probability and Statistics
GEOL U104	Natural Disasters
GEOL U120	Geology of the Southeast
LOGC U205	Introduction to Logic and Rhetoric
LOGC U207	Deductive Logic
PSYC U225	Psychological Statistics
SOCY U201	Introduction to Statistics for the Social Sciences
<i>III. Information Technology</i>	
Information Technology	
Select one of the following:	
CSCI U138	Introduction to Computer Technology
CSCI U150	Introduction to Computer Science
DGST U101	Intro to Digital Studies
INFO U101	Survey of Information Technology
INFO U102	Introduction to Digital Safety
LIBR U201	Strategies for Information Discovery
MUSC U162	Intro to Music Technology
<i>IV. Fine Arts, Humanities & History</i>	
Fine Arts	
Select one of the following:	
AFAM U204	African American Culture
ARTH U101	Introduction to Art
ARTH U105	History of Western Art: Prehistory - Middle Ages
ARTH U106	History of Western Art: Renaissance - Modern
MUSC U110	Introduction to Music
MUSC U140	History of American Popular Music
THEA U161	Introduction to Theatre Art
THEA U170	Fundamentals in Acting

History

Select one of the following: 3

HIST U101	Introduction to World History I
HIST U102	Introduction to World History II
HIST U105	History of the United States to 1877
HIST U106	History of the United States from 1865

Fine Arts, Humanities, and/or History

Select 0-9 credits of the following: ¹ 0-9

Any Fine Arts or History course/s listed above	
AMST U101	American Studies, 17th - 19th Century
AMST U102	American Studies, 20th Century
ENGL U208	Introduction to Creative Writing
ENGL U240	Interpreting Popular Culture
ENGL U245	Business Writing
ENGL U252	Understanding English Grammar
ENGL U275	Masterpieces of World Literature
ENGL U279	Survey of American Literature I
ENGL U280	Survey of American Literature II
ENGL U289	Survey of British Literature I
ENGL U290	Survey of British Literature II
ENGL U291	African American Literature
FILM U240	Introduction to Film
PHIL U102	Introduction to Philosophy
PHIL U111	Political Philosophy
PHIL U211	Contemporary Moral Issues
RELG U103	Comparative Religion
SOST U201	Introduction to Southern Studies
SPAN U101B	Introductory Spanish I: Business

V. Foreign Language & Culture

Foreign Language ²Select 3-9 credits of the following: ¹ 3-9

ASLG U101	American Sign Language I
FREN U101	Introductory French I
GERM U101	Introductory German I
SPAN U101	Introductory Spanish I

VI. Social & Behavioral Sciences

Social & Behavioral Science

Select 3-9 credits of the following: ¹ 3-9

AFAM U201	Introduction to African American Studies
ANTH U102	Understanding Other Cultures
CRJU U101	Introduction to Criminal Justice
ECON U221	Principles of Macroeconomics
ECON U222	Principles of Microeconomics
GEOG U103	Introduction to Geography
POLI U101	American National Government
PSYC U101	Introduction to Psychology
SOCY U101	Introduction to Sociology
SPCH U210	Interpersonal Communication
UNIV U201	Leadership Development I
WGST U101	Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies

VII. General Education Electives

General Education Electives

Select 0-9 credits of the following: ¹ 0-9

May include any courses listed above	
ASLG U102	American Sign Language II
FREN U102	Introductory French II
GERM U102	Introductory German II
SPAN U102	Introductory Spanish II

Major Requirements ³

Students must complete the required credit hours from either Track 88-86 or Track 2

Track 1 or Track 2 (p. 2)

Total Hours 120¹ IDS majors and their advisors will determine the appropriate number of hours for each of these distribution areas. IDS requires no less than 43 General Education hours.² The minimum acceptable level of competency is completion of the 101 level of a language. Students who place into the 102 or higher level of a language satisfy the language requirement but will have additional hours in general education electives, if hours are required by their degree program.³ A minimum grade of C is required for all major, minor, and cognate courses.

Tracks

Track 1

Code	Title	Hours
IDST U300	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies	3
or IDST U301	Ethics in the Professions	

Discipline I

Select 15 Upper division hours from one area of study ¹ 15

Discipline II

Select 9 Upper division hours from a different area of study than Discipline I ¹ 9

IDST U490 Senior Seminar in Interdisciplinary Studies 3

Minor

All IDS majors in Track I must complete a minor. Area of study for minor must differ from areas of study in Disciplines I and II. ¹ 18-21

Electives

Select 20-29 credits 20-29

Total Hours 68-80¹ For areas of study, see Majors and Minors in the index.

Track 2 (Individualized Program)

With the approval of the IDS Director, a student may pursue the Individualized Program.

Code	Title	Hours
IDST U300	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies	3
or IDST U301	Ethics in the Professions	

Individualized

Select 24 Upper division hours in two or more areas of study ¹ 24

IDST U490 Senior Seminar in Interdisciplinary Studies 3

Cognate or Minor

Select Cognate or Minor ²	12-21
Electives	
Select 26-35 credits	26-35
Total Hours	68-86

¹ For areas of study, see Majors and Minors in the index

² Cognate hours and area of study for minor must differ from individualized areas of study