INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES



MAJOR MAP

WHO WE ARE

- The Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies, while not limited to this population, has been designed especially for adults who have earned an associate degree, or have completed some college work beyond high school.
- The program has been designed to be flexible and to allow the creation of individualized majors centered on a number of cognate or concentration options.



CAREER OUTCOMES:

- Project Management
- Human Resources
- Marketing and Communications
- Healthcare Administration
- Government and Public Policy
- Non-Profit and Community Development

Education

AREAS OF STUDY:

- English
- Communication
- Multicultural Studies
- Teaching and Learning
- Information Technology
- Organizational Leadership
- International Studies
- Public Relations
- Check with the TSU Counselor for other possible concentrations.

What skills will students learn throughout this program?

- Students learn to analyze complex problems from multiple perspectives and develop innovative solutions.
- The program emphasizes effective written and verbal communication skills, which are essential for collaborating with others and presenting ideas.
- Students learn how to gather, evaluate, and synthesize information from a variety of sources to support their work.
- The program fosters creative thinking, encouraging students to approach problems in innovative ways and explore new ideas.



WHAT SKILLS ARE YOUR FUTURE EMPLOYERS LOOKING FOR?

- Interdisciplinary Knowledge
- Leadership Skills
- Research Skills
- Organizational Skills
- Ethical and Social Responsibility:
- Teamwork
- Problem-Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Communication
- Adaptability



For more information, <u>click here</u> https://www.tnstate.edu/online/BS_in_InterStudies.aspx

Undergraduate Experiential Major Map: INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES



Think

Engaging in critical thinking and inquiry inside the classroom.

Work

Pursue experiences that will allow you to grow as a leader and professional.

Serve

Explore opportunities to contribute to the broader community and global marketplace.

First Year/Freshman

- Complete your Handshake Profile.
- Complete your four-year educational plan in UNIV 1000 during the fall semester.
- Focus on your studies and earn good grades.
- Visit the Office of Student Success
 (OSS) and connect with your
 advisor for help navigating college
 life and your classes. Make an
 appointment using the student
 planner app and view the OSS page
 for other hours and services.
- First Generation students connect with your <u>First Generational</u>
 Specialist.
- Get to know professors. The best time to connect outside of class is during their office hours.
- Visit the <u>Academic Achievement</u> and <u>Retention Center</u> for access to study tips, connecting to academic coaches, tutoring, and other helpful resources.
- Attend the Career Fair (Sponsored by the <u>Career Development Center</u>)
- Get involved Attend organizational fairs, special/corporate events, and volunteer on and off campus.

Sophomore & Junior

- Update your resume and remove high school activities. Have it critiqued by the <u>Career</u> <u>Development Center</u>.
- Review and update LinkedIn and Handshake profiles.
- Attend the Career Fair (Sponsored by the <u>Career Development Center</u>)
- Explore graduate school options.
- Begin preparing for GRE, LSAT, MCAT, GMAT, and other exams for graduate school admissions.
- Begin building your professional wardrobe.
- Meet with your <u>departmental</u>
 <u>academic advisor</u> to confirm degree
 progress and discuss your future
 academic and career goals.
- Attend institutional and departmental internship workshops.

Senior

- Meet with your <u>departmental</u>
 <u>academic advisor</u> to confirm degree
 progress and discuss your future
 academic and career goals.
- Apply for <u>Graduate and Professional</u>
 <u>School</u> or jobs that fit your interests, skills, and career goals. Follow up on applications and keep a record of the status of each.

 *pay attention to due dates
- Draft a cover letter that can be adapted for a variety of employers.
 Have it critiqued.
- Complete the Senior Exit Exam and First Destination Survey. (<u>Testing</u> <u>Center</u>)

Academic Success Checklist

- Book an appointment with your academic advisor for pre-registration and advising.
- ☐ Discover library resources.
- □ Visit the math, reading, writing, and tutoring center.
- ☐ Complete FAFSA and academic scholarship applications.

Educational Planning Checklist

- ☐ Ask your academic advisor about High Impact Practices
- ☐ Participate in at least two High Impact Practices at TSU
- ☐ Join a student group.

Career Development Checklist

- ☐ Create your HandShake Profile.
- ☐ Visit What Can I Do With This Major
- ☐ Attend the career fair to expand your network.
- ☐ Attend Academic Department workshops and seminars.
- Visit the <u>Academic Pathways &</u> <u>Partnerships</u>