

## ACADEMIC ADVISING

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## GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: At least 30 credit hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS.

### Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu/](http://catalog.uccs.edu/)
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Interdisciplinary Studies: [Home](#) | [Interdisciplinary Studies \(uccs.edu\)](http://InterdisciplinaryStudies(uccs.edu))

Major Requirements			
Interdisciplinary Studies Major (36 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<p>The Interdisciplinary Studies major requires a minimum of 36 credit hours of course work and a minimum of 27 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) course work.</p> <p>Students wishing to pursue the Interdisciplinary Studies major must submit an application to be accepted into the major. Check the Interdisciplinary Studies website for specific details.</p>	INDS Approved Courses	Complete 30 hours of approved INDS coursework (see INDS course plan details below)	30
	INDS Course 1		
	INDS Course 2		
	INDS Course 3		
	INDS Course 4		
	INDS Course 5		
	INDS Course 6		
	INDS Course 7		
	INDS Course 8		
	INDS Course 9		
	INDS Course 10		
	Internship/Project Course	Complete 3 hours of an approved internship, creative/community project, exchange or study abroad course (see details below)	3
	Capstone Course	Choose a Capstone course to complement your INDS major fields <i>and</i> is approved for the Compass Curriculum Summit requirement <b>OR</b> Choose a Capstone course that is not approved for Compass Curriculum Summit <i>and</i> take INDS 4660 (1 credit hour)	3 <b>OR</b> 4
		36-37 hours	

### Individually Structured Interdisciplinary Studies

Students can develop and submit an Interdisciplinary Studies plan ([INDS course plan](#)) for approval. The plan must include all of the elements listed below:

- Present a clear and persuasive case for the interdisciplinary nature of the problem or question.
- Draw from at least two departments in LAS or from at least one department in LAS and one department in another college.
- Incorporate at least 36 credits, 27 of which must be from courses at the 3000 level or higher.
- Require a creative project, community outreach, social action project, internship, or education abroad or nationally.
- Require a Capstone experience that demonstrates the fusion and integration of these fields studied.

The courses you choose to include should reflect your career goals and interests as well as the marketability of your skill set. We want to make sure there are employment opportunities that involve the unique combination of knowledge and skills you will gain from this customized degree.

General Education and Elective Requirements																					
<b>Core Writing Requirement</b> (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>)</li> <li>ENGL 1410</li> <li>Writing Portfolio – PORT 3000 (0 credits) or PORT 4000 (1 credit) or alternative – See Degree Audit</li> </ul>																				
<b>Reasoning Skills</b> (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.																				
<b>Core Humanities</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>																				
<b>Natural Sciences Lab</b> (1 hour)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Degree Audit                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component</li> </ul> </li> </ul>																				
<b>Oral Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Degree Audit                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This course may also fulfill general education or major requirements.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>																				
<b>LAS Language other than English Requirement</b>	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>																				
<b>Compass Curriculum</b> (21 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore and Navigate courses must be taken in departments other than the major.</li> <li>Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses may count toward other requirements within the degree.</li> </ul>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Component</th> <th>Course</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Gateway Program Seminar</b></td> <td>GPS 1010</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Navigate</b></td> <td>HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Summit</b></td> <td>Program Defined</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses)</b> <i>Must include one upper-division (3000+ level)</i></td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)</li> <li>See Degree Audit</li> </ul> </td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Inclusiveness (2 courses: 1 Global and 1 Local)</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Sustainability</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Component	Course	<b>Gateway Program Seminar</b>	GPS 1010	<b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Navigate</b>	HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)	<b>Summit</b>	Program Defined	<b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses)</b> <i>Must include one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)</li> <li>See Degree Audit</li> </ul>	<b>Inclusiveness (2 courses: 1 Global and 1 Local)</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Sustainability</b>	See Degree Audit
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<b>General Electives</b> (50 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.																				

## FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
			ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course ( <i>INDS 1050</i> )	3
		Interdisciplinary Studies Course	3		Interdisciplinary Studies Course	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>

Year Two	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
			Interdisciplinary Studies Course	3		Upper-Division (UD) Interdisciplinary Studies Course
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Natural Science Lab	1
		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3		General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3
		General Elective ( <i>Writing Intensive</i> )	3		General Elective ( <i>Oral Communication</i> )	3
					General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>

Year Three	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
			UD Interdisciplinary Studies Course	3		UD Interdisciplinary Studies Course
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		HUM 3990	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective ( <i>Sustainability</i> )	3		General Elective	2
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>

Year Four	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
			UD Interdisciplinary Studies Course	3		UD Interdisciplinary Studies Course
		UD Interdisciplinary Studies Course	3		Interdisciplinary Studies Summit Course	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
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