
INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES CAREER TRACK

The interdisciplinary studies major is designed for students who wish to pursue more than one area of study while gaining a solid core of ministry and vocational skills. This major is specially designed for students who are undecided about which major to pursue or for those whose vocational goals are not addressed in an existing major within the College.

To fulfill the requirements of this major, a student must satisfactorily complete 27 credits from among the following disciplines: anthropology, foreign language, literature, communication arts, history, fine arts, philosophy, psychology, science, sociology, social work and TESOL. Courses must be selected from at least five of these categories. Bible and theology courses do not satisfy requirements for this major. At least 15 credits must be upper-level junior or senior courses taken at Kuyper College. These courses may not overlap with the general education requirements of the bachelor's degree.

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of the Interdisciplinary Studies program, students will be able to

- Clearly and skillfully articulate an understanding of the major findings and concepts of a variety of academic disciplines using both oral and written media.
- Synthesize knowledge from diverse disciplines to address the significant problems, themes and ideas that affect an increasingly globalized and multi-cultural society.
- Conduct independent research of appropriate complexity and depth on a topic related to the student's intended vocation, drawing upon content from a variety of courses and disciplines, skillfully employing relevant information technologies, and culminating in a final research paper of approximately 30 pages.
- Recognize and articulate the unity of God's truth as it is described in scholarship across the disciplines within the framework of a Reformed Christian worldview.

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

I. Bible and Theology Major		30 credit hours
BI 101	Introduction to Biblical Interpretation	3
BI 111	Old Testament Survey	3
BI 112	New Testament Survey	3
BI 307	Spiritual Formation	3
BI ---	Old Testament Elective	3
BI ---	New Testament Elective	3
TH ---	Theology Elective	3
TH 241	Christian Doctrine I	3
TH 242	Christian Doctrine II	3
TH 344	Principles & Practices of Reformed Worldview	3

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II. General Education		44 credit hours
A. Minor in Communication		
CO 101	English Composition I*	0
CO 102	English Composition II**	3
<i>or</i> CO 203	Advanced Rhetoric***	
CO 234	Principles of Speech	3
Advanced Writing Course: choose one		3
CO 203	Advanced Rhetoric	
CO 331	Principles of Journalism	
CO 360	Creative Writing	
Communication Elective Courses: choose two (one must be in literature)		6
CO 210	Introduction to Literature	
CO 232	Children's Literature	
CO 320	Advanced Grammar	
CO 342	American Literature	
CO 354	British Novels	
CO 413	World Literature	
CO/MI 323	Intercultural Communication	
B. Fine Arts: choose one		
DR 107	Introduction to Drama	3
MU 107	Introduction to Music	
MW 101/102	Choir (3 semesters)	
MW 103/104	Ensemble (3 semesters)	
MW ---	Applied Music Lessons (3 semesters)	
C. History: choose two		
GV 110	American Government	6
HI 115	World Civilizations	
HI 117	American Studies	
HI 321	20th Century U.S. History	
HI 361	History of World Christianity	
D. Social Science:		
PS 111	General Psychology	3
E. Philosophy:		
PH 132	Introduction to Philosophy	3
F. Physical Education:		
PE 112	Fitness for Life	2
<i>or</i> two PE Electives		
G. Science:		
SC 215	Human Biological Science	3
H. Mathematics: choose one		
MA 110	Intro. to Math	3
MA/PS 340	Social Science Statistics	
I. Global Awareness: choose one		
AN/MI 222	Cultural Anthropology	3
MI 311	Global Ministry Development	
MI 334	World Religions	
MI 200	Ministering Interculturally	
SW 334	Human Diversity	
SW 400	Dominican Republic: Cultural Immersion Experience	
J. Gateway:		
GE120	Gateway to Excellence	3

* This course requirement is waived for students with ACT English scores of 21 or higher. Students who complete CO101 in the fall should take CO102 in the winter semester.

**Students with ACT English scores of 21 - 24 take CO102 and an advanced writing course.

***Students with ACT English scores of 25 or higher take CO 203 and three communication electives.

III. Professional Education**11 credit hours**

MI 121	Introduction to Missions	3
ED/YM 110	Introduction to Educational Ministries	3
FE 262, 361, 362, 461 and 462	Field Education	5

IV. Career Track 27 credit hours

Nine (9) electives chosen from five of the following disciplines:

Anthropology	Philosophy
Communication Arts	Psychology
Fine Arts	Science
Foreign Language	Social Work
History	Sociology
Literature	TESOL
Math	

V. Electives**12 credit hours****ACADEMIC
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Interdisciplinary Studies Suggested Program

Freshman Year

Fall Semester			Winter Semester		
BI111	Old Testament Survey	3	BI112	New Testament Survey	3
BI101	Biblical Interpretation	3	HI---	History Elective	3
CO102	English Comp. II	3	-----	Elective	3
GE120	Gateway to Excellence	3	ED/YM110	Intro. to Ed. Ministries	3
MI121	Intro. to Missions	3	PS111	General Psychology	3
PE112	Fitness for Life	2			

Sophomore Year

Fall Semester			Winter Semester		
TH241	Christian Doctrine I	3	TH242	Christian Doctrine II	3
CT---	Career Track Elective	3	CT---	Career Track Elective	3
MA210	Intro. to Mathematics	3	SC215	Human Biological Science	3
<i>or</i> MS/PS340	Soc. Sci. Statistics		PH132	Intro to Philosophy	3
-----	Elective	3	CO---	Literature Elective	3
CO331	Principles of Journalism	3	FE262	Field Education	1
<i>or</i> CO203	Advanced Rhetoric				
<i>or</i> CO360	Creative Writing				

Junior Year

Fall Semester			Winter Semester		
HI---	History Elective	3	BI103	Spiritual Formation	3
CT---	Career Track Elective	3	CT---	Career Track Elective	3
BI---	OT <i>or</i> NT Elective	3	BI---	OT <i>or</i> NT Elective	3
CT---	Career Track Elective	3	CT---	Career Track Elective	3
CO---	Communication Elective	3	-----	Elective	3
FE361	Field Education	1	FE362	Field Education	1

Senior Year

Fall Semester			Winter Semester		
TH---	Theology Elective	3	CT---	Career Track Elective	3
CT---	Career Track Elective	3	TH344	P&P Reformed Worldview	3
-----	Fine Arts Elective	3	CT---	Career Track Elective	3
-----	Global Awareness Elective	3	CO234	Principles of Speech	3
-----	Elective	3	FE462	Field Education	1
FE361	Field Education	1			

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