

General Studies

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Bachelor of General Studies Degree Requirements

This generalist's degree program is designed for students whose educational objectives are not aligned with a more traditional degree program. It offers a flexible, individualized curricula leading to a Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) degree. Through individualized advising, the program helps students define their educational goals and design interdisciplinary curricula drawing on a variety of course offerings. The program is also intended to allow a student who has completed most of the requirements of a major but has been unsuccessful in some required portion of an approved program to complete a degree in a timely manner.

Student Learning Goals

The graduate will possess a well-rounded and comprehensive knowledge base in one or more content areas.

Student Learning Outcomes

The candidate will integrate knowledge across disciplines.

The candidate will apply fundamental academic skills of their area(s) of study.

The candidate will utilize professional written and oral communication skills.

The candidate will describe how the knowledge and competencies gained through coursework will contribute to success in the workplace or graduate school.

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| General Education courses: | 38-40 |
| Upper-level (300-400) courses: | 40 |
| Required Course: | |
| IDS 470 General Studies Capstone | 1 |
| Elective Courses: | 40-42 |
| Total Hours: | 120 |

Program Policies

Students may not substitute 100-200 level courses for 300-400 level courses.

A transfer course taken at the 300-400 level counts towards the upper-level credit requirement.

Transfer courses taken as a lower-level course will only count toward the upper-level credit requirement if the transfer course is equivalent to an upper-level MiSU course. A course equivalency must be entered into the Transfer Evaluation System (TES) by the corresponding department.

A maximum of eight credits of Internship and/or Research coursework may be applied to the upper-level credit requirement.

The BGS degree may not be earned in combination with another degree/major.

Students may declare a minor (or minors), but not concentrations.