

Integrative Studies

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PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science degree in Integrative Studies (IS) provides students with an interdisciplinary approach relevant to their life experiences and career goals. Students combine two areas of study into one interdisciplinary degree program. Students select one of the following program options:

- Two EOU Minors (In most cases, these must be selected from separate program fields. Two minors from Physical Activity & Health may not be used to form an Integrative Studies major. The minor may also not be selected from an “endorsement” area.)
- One Minor from EOU with One Minor from another accredited institution.
- One EOU minor and an Individualized Plan

Students work directly with faculty in the disciplines they choose. They should consult with their academic advisors as early as possible to obtain program approval and to achieve timely completion of general education, language, and other degree requirements.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Eastern Oregon University students prepare for their careers and lives as citizens by:

- Gaining breadth of knowledge
- Strengthening their ability to inquire, create, and communicate
- Being engaged in the community and exercising personal and social responsibility
- Integrating, applying, and reflecting on their skills and knowledge

Recognizing the variety of disciplines incorporated in Integrative Studies majors— The university learning outcomes listed above provide students with the opportunity to demonstrate and apply each learning outcome within the students’ minors.

MEANS OF ASSESSMENT

Assessment will be aligned with each discipline involved in a specific Integrative Studies degree program. The degree program will follow the assessment cycle designed for each minor or subject area included in the Integrative Studies degree program. Courses will be assessed by following the curriculum assessment cycle for minors that contribute to the Integrative Studies degree program.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BA/BS IN INTEGRATIVE STUDIES

- Complete Eastern Oregon University’s General Education and institutional requirements for the BA or BS degree.
- Complete a minimum of 180 credits with the following limits:
 - At least 60 upper division credits;
 - No more than 45 credits of practicum;
 - No more than 90 credits in a single subject area for the BS/BA.
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.00 in both of the following: a) Cumulative; b) Eastern Oregon University.

Integrative Studies Program Requirements:

- 60 or more credits from at least two disciplines.
- Minimum of 36 upper division credits including University Writing Requirement (UWR).

- No more than 5 (five) credits of practicum in the minimum of 36 upper division credits in this major.
- Complete capstone portfolio.

Complete Integrative Studies CORE

1. **IS 301** (2-3 credits) Intro to Integrative Studies
 2. Chose 1: Discipline-Specific Methods course, LIB 307, LIB 327
 3. Choose One:
 - a. Two EOU Minors
 - b. One EOU Minor and One Minor from another accredited institution
 - c. One EOU minor and Individualized Plan
 4. **IS 401** (2-3 credits) IS Capstone
- Other requirements:
 1. Grade of C- or better in all required courses for the IS major
 2. No course graded S/U may be applied to the IS major unless the course is S/U only.

PROGRAM TOTAL: 68-70 credits

Content: The capstone project should be developed through consultation with an approved disciplinary faculty capstone instructor. The project may involve research leading to a written paper, an artistic product, or may be an applied or internship activity.

Process: The student is expected to select a topic and prepare an outline with sufficient detail for faculty evaluation before beginning the capstone project. The outline should document, in appropriate disciplinary format (APA, MLA, AMA, etc), recent literature that will be included in the paper. A clearly stated thesis position should be included in the outline. Once the faculty capstone instructor has approved the proposal, work on the project may commence. The student and the faculty capstone instructor will work together to develop the project throughout the time period.

Students need to choose only ONE Program Option below: A, B, or C

A. TWO EOU MINORS (in most cases, these must be selected from separate program fields. Two Minors from Physical Activity & Health may not be used to form an Integrative Studies major. The minor may also not be selected from an “endorsement” area.)

B. ONE MINOR FROM EOU WITH ONE MINOR FROM ANOTHER ACCREDITED INSTITUTION

C. ONE EOU MINOR, AND INDIVIDUALIZED PLAN

Plan must be approved by Integrative Studies Director: Student writes a 250-word rationale, indicating the connections among the courses/pathways and linking them to professional interests or career goals, and to co-curricular or extra-curricular interests.

INTEGRATIVE STUDIES COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

IS 301 - Intro to Integrative Studies (Credits 3)

This course applies the principles of integrative learning to complex questions through an exploration of theories and methods from two or more fields. Prerequisite: Junior standing and completion of EOU degree planning workshop. (The two-credit option is restricted to former Liberal Studies majors needing to complete the program on a prior catalog year)

IS 401 - Integrative Studies Capstone (Credits 3) Institutional Graduation Requirement – UWR

This is the culminating course for the Integrative Studies program. This course applies the principles of integrative learning to complex questions through an exploration of theories and methods from two or more fields of study, and documents the student’s learning. Prerequisites: IS 301; one of the following: LIB 307, LIB 327, or disciplinary methods/research course; cannot enroll concurrently with IS 301. Must have at least junior standing. (The two-credit option is restricted to former Liberal Studies majors needing to complete the program on a prior catalog year)