



MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (M.A.)

College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences

GRADUATE ADMISSION (210) 829-6005

The Multidisciplinary Studies Program

The Master of Arts in Multidisciplinary Studies is a generalist degree, allowing individuals to prepare for a variety of career opportunities in business, education, science, the humanities, and more. This program allows students the flexibility to tailor-make their own degree based on personal interests and academic strengths.

The Master of Arts degree in Multidisciplinary Studies allows a student, with approval from the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, and their Program Advisors, to design a degree plan that builds on personal interests, academic strengths, and career opportunities. The degree plan is made from courses in up to three academic disciplines that offer graduate programs. For example, a degree plan may be arranged thematically: A student might focus on contemporary American problems, combining courses in Education, English, and Religious Studies. Another student might wish to combine courses from Nutrition, Education, and Biology in a degree that would enhance his or her career opportunities. The Dean of Graduate Studies and Research will serve as Program Advisor for this degree and will consult with the Program Advisors in the three fields that make up the MDS.

Admission Criteria

See the Graduate Bulletin for complete information on admission requirements and program content.

In addition to the general admissions criteria, the applicant must submit the following:

An official notice of a satisfactory score on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE): Combined score of 800 on the Verbal and Quantitative Sections, Analytical Essay 3.5, Miller Analogies Test (MAT, 40 or better), or Graduate Management Aptitude Test (GMAT, 450 or better) as determined by the Dean.

Requirements for the Master of Arts

A statement of rationale for the proposed degree plan.

The degree plan must be approved and signed by the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research and the Program Advisors for all disciplines involved before initiating any work toward the degree. The degree will include:

- At least 9 semester hours in each discipline of focus
- Any support courses taken outside the chosen disciplines need the approval of the Program Advisor
- At least one research course
- A thesis or a capstone experience in one area of focus which incorporates the integration of all disciplines from which work is taken

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