IDS Interdisciplinary Studies

IDS 2000 Diaspora Studies
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course explores the shifting relations between homelands and
host nations from the perspective of those who have moved, whether
voluntarily or not. It examines the historical and/or contemporary
movements of peoples and the complex issues of identify and experience
to which these processes give rise, emphasizing the lived experience
of migrant communities as they negotiate forms of existence that
preceded and exceed national boundaries. It may be taught from various
disciplinary, comparative, and interdisciplinary perspectives, drawing
from the social sciences, history, the arts, and humanities. In it, students
can expect to explore the relationship between place and belonging,
how the experiences of migration and dislocation challenge the modern
assumption that the nation-state should be the limit of identification, while
examining questions of the coherence of cultural and political boundaries.

IDS 4111 Capstone in Interdisciplinary Studies
1 Credit Hour. 1 Lecture Hour. 0 Lab Hours.
The capstone course in interdisciplinary studies provides students in the
Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies program with a forum and with the
tools needed to functionally blend the elements of the major, articulate
the competencies they have developed and achieved, demonstrate the
efficacy of their individualized degree program, and communicate that
information to internal and external audiences.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in ENGL 1102 and
departmental approval.