Interdisciplinary Concentrations

Students in baccalaureate programs may add an area of interdisciplinary concentration to their program of study. Such concentrations offer students the opportunity to elect courses focused on a given area of study from more than one discipline. As with minor programs, the interdisciplinary concentration is distinct from the major program of study. The interdisciplinary concentration permits students to add a significant segment of coursework focused on a particular area of study to their major degree program.

The concentration consists of 18 credit hours of coursework, 15 credit hours of which must be at the upper division level. At least 12 credit hours of the total 18 credit hours must be taken at Georgia Southern University. A minimum grade of “C” is required for all courses used to complete the interdisciplinary concentration.

The courses taken to make up the concentration should be planned with the major advisor and the director of the concentration program. Students should declare the concentration by the beginning of their junior year.

Interdisciplinary concentration programs are administered through the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Guidelines for Interdisciplinary Concentrations

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The following guidelines apply to all interdisciplinary concentrations:

1. A concentration must contain 18 credit hours of coursework with at least 15 upper division credit hours. Typically, courses taken for the concentration shall be in at least two disciplines other than those used in additional concentrations or the major program of study.
2. While courses taken to satisfy Core Areas A1 through E may not be used to satisfy coursework in the area of concentration, courses listed in Area F may be counted as coursework in the area of concentration.
3. A student has the option of taking one authorized lower division course and one upper division course crosslisted with the student’s major to fulfill concentration requirements.
4. The chairperson of the concentration program must approve the courses selected for the concentration.
5. Students should declare the concentration by the beginning of their junior year and advise the chairperson of the concentration program of that decision.